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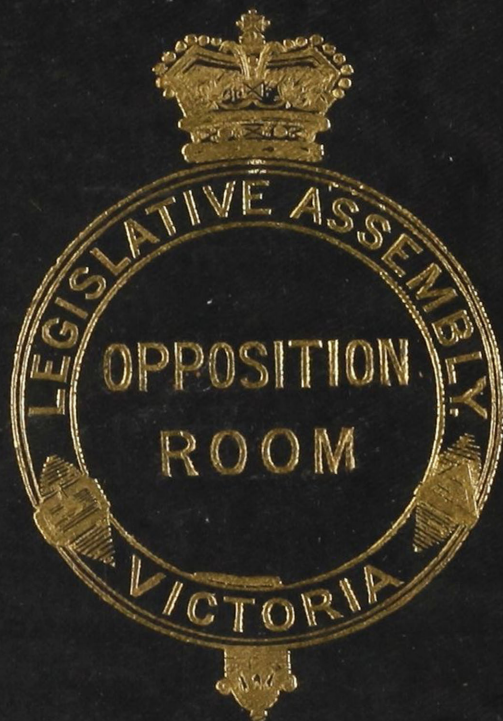
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From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300	...	...	...	...
„ £300 „ „ „ £400	...	...	...	...
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„ £2,000 „ „ „ £2,100	...	...	...	...
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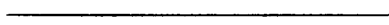
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£600    £700 ...									
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- COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT** : Bill to further amend the *Companies Act 1890*—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 9 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 30 June, p. 16 ; further considered in Committee, 1 July, p. 18, 2 July, p. 19, 7 July, p. 22, 9 July, p. 27 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 14 July, p. 30 ; report considered—amendments agreed to ; Bill further amended and further consideration of amendments on the report adjourned, 21 July, pp. 37-41 ; resumed—Bill further amended, 22 July, pp. 43-7 ; read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 23 July, p. 50. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 1 Dec., p. 281 ; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, and some agreed to with amendments, 8 Dec., pp. 296-301, 10 Dec., p. 313, 11 Dec., pp. 315-6, 15 Dec., pp. 318-9. Message from the Legislative Council that they do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they insist on others, that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, 23 Dec., p. 344 ; amendments considered—disagreement with the amendments insisted on by the Legislative Council not insisted on, and the amendments by the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council with which the Council disagreed not insisted on, 23 Dec., pp. 347-50. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 23) recommending certain amendments in the Bill ; amendments agreed to ; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor, 24 Dec., p. 359. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 24 Dec., p. 360. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1482.*)
- CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 1)** : Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million one hundred and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and ninety-six pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—House resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means ; matter considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 28 July, 1896, p. 53. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 29 July, p. 55. (*Assented to 28 July. Act No. 1446.*)

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 2) :** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and one thousand and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and ninety-six—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—House resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means ; matter considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 8 Sept., 1896, pp. 113-4. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 15 Sept., p. 120. (*Assented to 21 September. Act No. 1450.*)

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 3) :** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—House resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means ; matter considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Oct., 1896, p. 238. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 21 Oct., p. 240. (*Assented to 30 October. Act No. 1454.*)

**CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Sept., 1896, p. 117. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 10) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 15 Sept., p. 119 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 16 Sept., p. 124 ; debate resumed—amendment to omit all words after the word “That” and to insert in place thereof the words “no Bill for the amendment of the *Constitution Act* will be satisfactory which does not provide for a reduction in the number of Members of the Assembly,” proposed but not made ; debate on motion for second reading continued and adjourned, 6 Oct., p. 140 ; debate resumed, and, not being concluded by half-past eight o’clock, adjourned, 7 Oct., p. 141 ; resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee, 8-9 Oct., p. 143.

**RULING BY MR. SPEAKER.**—Attention having been drawn to the fact that, at the close of the debate on the motion for the second reading of the *Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* Amendment Bill, Mr. Speaker had expressed the view that he was not called on to decide as to whether the Bill was one which, under section 60 of the *Constitution Act*, required its second and third readings to be passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the House, but that the question was one for the Law officers of the Crown to deal with before presenting the Bill to the Governor for approval—

And several Honorable Members having addressed the House on the subject, and also as to whether the Bill in question was within the scope of the 60th section of the *Constitution Act*—

Mr. Speaker said—Several points have been raised in connexion with this matter. The first one deals with the decision which I arrived at the other morning after an all-night sitting. I felt then that the question was a legal one, and that it was one which, according to precedent, had not to be decided by the Speaker. I therefore gave my opinion at the time (stopping the Honorable Member for Brighton, who was speaking) that it was not a question for the Speaker, but for the Law officers of the Crown to decide when the time came for presenting the Bill to the Governor for his assent. I will read to the House from *Hansard*, volume 15, page 2351, the answer which was given by the then Speaker when a similar question was raised. An Honorable Member desired to know whether, in the opinion of the Speaker, a Bill which increased the salaries of the Judges was not an alteration of Schedule D. The report is as follows :—

“The Speaker.—I must adopt the plan of my predecessor, and take the decision of the Law officers on a question of this character. In the House of Commons the Speaker is advised by counsel on questions of law, but the custom here is for the Speaker to take the opinion of the Law officers on such points. The *Constitution Act* provides that no Bill which makes an alteration in Schedule D shall be presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent unless it has been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of both Houses, and it rests with the Law officers of the Crown to decide whether this Bill shall be presented to the Governor or not.”

The Bill there referred to was not passed by an absolute majority. It appeared to me that, the House being seised of the Bill, and the Government being responsible for the business of the House, and having the Law officers to consult, it was more reasonable that they should understand the constitutional question, which has been so ably debated to-night, and the interpretation of the *Constitution Act* as regards this particular point than the Speaker, who is a layman. I still adhere to that opinion. A good deal of light has, I admit, been thrown on the question this evening in the course of the discussion ; but I think that most Honorable Members will agree that it is a difficult point for any Speaker to decide, especially when able legal Members have argued upon it from both points of view, and have failed to agree. I feel that, as Speaker, I ought not, unless I had a strong opinion upon the subject, to take any business out of the purview of the House, which would have been the case if I had decided that this Bill must have a statutory majority in its favour. A similar measure to this was introduced last Session and dealt with as an ordinary Bill, no question being raised that it involved an amendment of the Constitution, and required a statutory majority. Furthermore, a previous Government, when Mr. Munro was Premier, adopted the same course, and treated a Bill of this kind as an ordinary Bill. It appears to

me, in the light of what has taken place, that the Speaker must give a decision for what it may be worth ; but I repeat that when so many able lawyers in the House have argued on the technical merits of the question, and have been unable to agree, it must necessarily be looked upon as a very difficult question indeed to decide. I may say, however, that before the matter was brought up in the House by the Honorable Member for Brighton it had come under my notice, and I had discussed it with the officers of the House, who have had great experience in parliamentary matters ; and it was their opinion, as ultimately it was mine, that this was not a Bill that required to go through the extraordinary process of being passed by an absolute majority of both Houses of Parliament. As I have to give a decision, I shall base it upon a simple interpretation—perhaps a layman's interpretation—of section 61 of the *Constitution Act*. That section says—

“Notwithstanding anything herein contained, it shall be lawful for the said Legislature, from time to time, by any Act or Acts, to alter the qualifications of electors and Members of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly respectively.”

I will not go further than that. I think that the fact of the word “man” being used in the *Constitution Act* means that being a man is a qualification. That is to say, it is a qualification for voting to be a male ; and, in my opinion, it is legitimate for Parliament to vary the qualification by extending the right to vote to the other sex. I do not think that this is an alteration contemplated by the 60th section of the *Constitution Act* as being an alteration of the Constitution itself. There is nothing further to be said. It would have been a serious matter if I had had a different opinion, and had come to the conclusion that I must withdraw the Bill from the purview of the House. That might have had the result of placing the House in the position of holding a contrary opinion to the Speaker. I do not think it is desirable that that should happen if it can be avoided. Therefore, while I think that the Attorney-General and the members of the Government will no doubt have been enlightened by the debate that has taken place, so far as the Speaker's decision is concerned, I am of opinion that this is to be regarded as ordinary legislation, and is to be treated as such. It will be for the Government hereafter to consider, having heard the views of the other side, what course they will take in regard to presenting the Bill to the Governor, if it be passed by both Houses of Parliament, 21 Oct., pp. 239–40.

Bill further considered in Committee, 21 Oct., p. 240, 22 Oct., p. 241, 27 Oct., p. 243, 29 Oct., p. 249; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; recommitted for the reconsideration of clauses 2, 4, 5, and 100, and for the consideration of a new clause ; clauses considered in Committee and Bill reported with further amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to, 26 Nov., p. 278 ; Bill read the third time, on division, and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 8 Dec., pp. 291–3.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

**CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT :** Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Coroners Act 1890’*”—(*Mr. Gavan Duffy*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 20 Oct., 1896, pp. 234–5 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same, 4 Nov., p. 252. (*Assented to 16 November. Act No. 1455.*)

**CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the *Crimes Act 1890*—(*Mr. Madden*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 23 July, 1896, p. 50 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 30 Sept., p. 136.—Bill lapsed.

**CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT (BILL No. 2) :** Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Crimes Act 1890’*”—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same, 24 Dec., 1896, p. 358. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1478.*)

**CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the *Customs Act 1890* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 16 July, 1896, p. 36 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 23 July, p. 50 ; further considered in Committee, 4 Nov., p. 252 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 5 Nov., p. 255 ; report considered—amendments agreed to ; Bill read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Nov., pp. 278–9. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 22 Dec., p. 340 ; amendments considered and agreed to, 22 Dec., p. 343. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1471.*)

**DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the *Dog Act 1890*—(*Mr. W. Anderson for Mr. Salmon*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 June, 1896, p. 13 ; read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee, 8 July, p. 24.—Bill lapsed.

**EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYÉS ACT 1890 (PART III.) CONTINUATION :** Bill to further continue in force Part III. of the *Employers and Employés Act 1890*—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1896, p. 285 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 321. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 17 Dec., p. 329. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1466.*)

**EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the law relating to the liability of employers for injuries to their workmen—(*Mr. Irvine*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Aug., p. 76; debate resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 16 Sept., p. 124; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 11–12 Nov., p. 260.—Bill lapsed.

**EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Explosives Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. Best*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 20 Oct., 1896, p. 234.

**FEES.**—(On motion by leave) House resolved itself into Committee to consider the fees to be paid for licences issued under the *Explosives Act 1890*; matter considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution that the fees to be paid shall be such as may be prescribed by the Governor in Council, reported and agreed to.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council, 5 Nov., p. 256. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 11 Nov., p. 260. (*Assented to 16 November. Act No. 1457.*)

**EXPORTED PRODUCTS:** Bill to provide for the inspection of live stock, meat, dairy produce, and fruit intended for export and to regulate the exportation thereof—(*Mr. Taverner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 16 July, 1896, p. 35; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 29 July, p. 58. Order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 Dec., p. 343.

**FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1890* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Peacock*).—Bill initiated and motion made, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages in this House up to and including the stage of transmission to the Legislative Council—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a first time, 30 June, 1896, p. 15.

**FEES.**—(On motion by leave) House resolved itself into Committee to consider the fees to be charged under the Bill; matter considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution specifying the amount of the several fees to be chargeable under the Bill reported and agreed to, 30 June, p. 16.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 30 June, p. 16. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 14 July, p. 30; amendments considered and agreed to, 16 July, pp. 33–5. (*Assented to 28 July. Act No. 1445.*)

**FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1896*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 30 Sept., 1896, p. 135; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 6 Oct., pp. 139–40. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 11 Nov., p. 260; amendments considered—some agreed to, one disagreed with, and the others agreed to with amendments, 24 Nov., pp. 270–72. Message from the Legislative Council that they do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council, have disagreed with other of the said amendments, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, 4 Dec., p. 286; amendments considered—amendments in clauses B and C, disagreed with by the Council, insisted on; one amendment in clause E, disagreed with by the Council, amended, and consequential amendments made in the clause; one amendment therein, disagreed with by the Council, not insisted on, and an amendment by the Council on one of the Assembly's amendments in the clause agreed to; amendments in clause I, disagreed with by the Council, insisted on with an amendment, 8 Dec., pp. 294–6. Message from the Legislative Council that they insist on disagreeing with certain amendments insisted on by the Legislative Assembly, that they disagree with the further amendments of the Legislative Assembly in new clause E, that they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment in clause I, and agree to the further amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the same clause, 10 Dec., p. 308; order for consideration of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council read and Bill thereupon laid aside, 22 Dec., p. 339.

**FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT (BILL NO. 2):** Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1896*—(*Mr. Peacock*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time and further amended; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 22 Dec., 1896, p. 340. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments; amendments agreed to, 23 Dec., p. 351. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1476.*)

**FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING:** Bill to refer certain matters to the Federal Council of Australasia for the exercise of legislative authority thereon—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 Nov., 1896, p. 259; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 320. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 17 Dec., p. 328. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1464.*)



- FREE GARDENERS OF AUSTRALASIA LAND:** Bill to provide for the transfer of certain reserved land in the City of Melbourne from the Victorian Horticultural Improvement Society to the Grand United Order of Free Gardeners of Australasia—(*Mr. Zox*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 June, 1896, p. 13. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 July, p. 48.
- GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Game Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 18 Aug., 1896, p. 73; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 5 Nov., p. 255; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amended; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council, 8 Dec., p. 293. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 10 Dec., p. 313. Message from the Legislative Council transmitting a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending certain amendments in the Bill to which the Legislative Council had agreed and with which they desired the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly; amendments agreed to, 15 Dec., p. 319. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1463.*)
- GEELONG STREETS:** Bill to extend the provisions of section One hundred and eleven of the *Local Government Act 1891* to the Town of Geelong—(*Mr. Higgins*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 23 Sept., 1896, p. 129.—Bill lapsed.
- GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION:** Bill to authorize the raising of money for the redemption of Victorian Government Stock and other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 13) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 4 Nov., 1896, pp. 251-2; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 320. On motion, by leave, order for transmission of the Bill to the Legislative Council rescinded and consideration of amendments on third reading made an order for "this day"; an amendment (new clause) thereupon proposed but not made; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 324. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1468.*)
- HOMES PROTECTION:** Bill for the protection of homes—(*Mr. McColl*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 15 July, 1896, p. 31; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 25 Nov., p. 276.—Bill lapsed.
- INCOME TAX:** Bill to declare the rates of duties of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and to amend the *Income Tax Act 1895*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—House resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means; matter considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution specifying the several rates of the duties of Income Tax to be charged, levied, collected, and paid for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1896, pp. 290-91; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to, 15 Dec., p. 317; Bill read the third time and further amended; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., pp. 323-4. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 17 Dec., p. 329. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1467.*)
- INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the law relating to insolvency—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 15 July, 1896, p. 32; motion, That that this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 21 July, p. 37; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 30 July, p. 59; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 1 Oct., p. 138; order for consideration of report read and discharged; Bill recommitted for the reconsideration of clauses 17, 19, 97, and 111, and for the consideration of new clauses; clauses considered in Committee and Bill re-reported with further amendments; recommitted for the reconsideration of clauses 7, 15, 23, 86, 94, 101, and 114; clauses reconsidered in Committee and Bill re-reported with a further amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amended; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 13 Oct., pp. 147-8. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 15 Dec., p. 318; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, some agreed to with amendments, and amendment to omit clause 120 disagreed with and reason of disagreement stated, 17 Dec., pp. 329-33. Message from the Legislative Council that they insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they do not insist on others, and that they have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council; amendments considered—disagreement with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 120 insisted on, disagreement with the other amendments made and insisted on by Legislative Council not insisted on, 23 Dec., pp. 350-51. Message from the Legislative Council that they still insist on their amendment to omit clause 120; motion made, That the Bill be now laid aside, and, by leave, withdrawn; disagreement with the Legislative Council's amendment to omit clause 120 still insisted on, 24 Dec., p. 357. Message from the Legislative Council that they still insist on their amendment to omit clause 120; Bill laid aside, 24 Dec., p. 360.

- JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Justices Act 1890' and for other purposes*"—(*Mr. Foster*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 18 Nov., 1896, p. 265; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same, 26 Nov., p. 278. (*Assented to 27 November. Act No. 1458.*)
- LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REDUCTION:** Bill for reducing the number of Members of the Legislative Assembly and redistributing Victoria into electoral districts and for other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1896, p. 289; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time; question, That the debate be adjourned, negatived, on division; Bill, on division, read a second time, 16 Dec., pp. 325-6.—Bill lapsed.\*
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*—(*Mr. Wheeler*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 June, 1896, p. 13. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 July, p. 48.
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT (BILL No. 2):** Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Licensing Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 18 Aug., 1896, p. 73.—Bill lapsed.
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT (BILL No. 3):** Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*—(*Mr. O'Neill*).—Bill initiated and read a first time; motion, That this Bill be read a second time this day six weeks; amendment to omit "weeks" and insert "months" proposed and, on division, not made; question, That this Bill be read a second time this day six weeks, resolved in the affirmative, 19 Aug., p. 76; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time; amendment to omit "now" and after "time" add "this day six months," proposed and made, 30 Sept., p. 136.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 1):** Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. Beazley*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 7; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 8 July, p. 24. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments; amendments disagreed with; Message from the Legislative Council insisting on their amendments; disagreement therewith not insisted on, 11 Aug., p. 68. (*Assented to 12 August. Act No. 1449.*)
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 2):** Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Sir John McIntyre for Mr. Grattan*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8.—Bill lapsed.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 3):** Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. McGregor*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 2 Sept., pp. 85-6.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 4):** Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. Graves*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 July, 1896, p. 24; order appointing 5th August for second reading read and rescinded and order made for second reading "this day," 22 July, p. 43; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 22 July, p. 48; report considered—amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amended; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 29 July, p. 56. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 5 Aug., p. 64; amendments considered—some agreed to, another agreed to with amendments, and one disagreed with, 14 Oct., p. 149. Message from the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council, and that they do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 21 Oct., p. 240. (*Assented to 30 October. Act No. 1453.*)
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 5):** Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. Kennedy*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Sept., 1896, p. 117.—Bill lapsed.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT (BILL No. 6):** Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. H. R. Williams*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 16 Dec., 1896, p. 325; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same, 24 Dec., p. 358. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1479.*)
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT:** Bill to further amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890*—(*Mr. Gray*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 June, 1896, p. 12. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 July, p. 24.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated and read

\* The motion for second reading not having been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the House.

a first time, 23 June, 1896, p. 3 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 25 June, p. 13 ; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 16 July, p. 35 ; further considered in Committee, 29 July, p. 57, 29 July, p. 58 ; order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill committed to a Select Committee ; Committee appointed, 1 Sept., p. 84 ; Report, &c., presented ; Bill, as reported from Select Committee, recommitted to a Committee of the whole, 9 Dec., p. 303. Order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 Dec., p. 343.

**MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS :** Bill to give to all ratepayers the right to vote at all elections for the City Council of Melbourne—(*Mr. J. Anderson*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Aug., 1896, p. 63 ; order appointing 16th September for second reading read and rescinded and order made for second reading “this day” and to have precedence ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 9 Sept., p. 115. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 15 Sept., p. 120. (*Assented to 21 September. Act No. 1452.*)

**MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN :** Bill to authorize the granting of a loan to the first Mildura Irrigation Trust and for other purposes—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1896, p. 285 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 16–17 Dec., p. 326 ; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 17 Dec., p. 333. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 23 Dec., p. 346. Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 22) recommending an amendment in the Bill ; amendment agreed to ; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor, 23 Dec., p. 347. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 24 Dec., p. 357. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1477.*)

**MINES ACTS AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the Mines Acts—(*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 30 Sept., 1896, p. 135 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 27 Oct., p. 243 ; debate resumed and adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 267 ; resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 24 Nov., p. 269 ; further considered in Committee, 1 Dec., p. 281, 2 Dec., p. 283 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill further amended, 3–4 Dec., p. 286 ; read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 10 Dec., pp. 308–12.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

**MINING DEVELOPMENT :** Bill to subsidize and enable companies to further develop gold mining and for other purposes—(*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Sept., 1896, p. 117 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 29 Sept., p. 134 ; debate resumed and adjourned, 30 Sept., p. 135 ; resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 1 Oct., p. 138 ; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 13 Oct., pp. 145–6. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 20 Oct., p. 233. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 11 Nov., p. 260 ; order for consideration of amendments read and Bill thereupon laid aside, 26 Nov., p. 277.

**MINING DEVELOPMENT (BILL No. 2) :** Bill to subsidize and enable companies to further develop gold mining and for other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Nov., 1896, p. 277. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 8 Dec., p. 293. Letter from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, a clerical error that had been discovered in the Bill, read by Mr. Speaker ; the House agreed to the correction required, and ordered that the letter of the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting their concurrence in such correction, 10 Dec., p. 308. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing thereto, 10 Dec., p. 313. (*Assented to 14 December. Act No. 1461.*)

**MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the *Municipalities' Advances Act 1895*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 14) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Nov., 1896, p. 256 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Nov., p. 278. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 8 Dec., p. 294. (*Assented to 14 December. Act No. 1459.*)

**MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION :** Bill to ratify the method of distributing the endowment to municipalities and for other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Nov., 1896, p. 255 ; read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 22 Dec., pp. 342–3.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

- MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY** : Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890* and for other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner* for *Mr. Turverner*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 28 Oct., 1896, p. 245 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 5 Nov., p. 255. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 8 Dec., p. 293. (*Assented to 14 December. Act No. 1460.*)
- NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION** : Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria—(*Mr. Cook*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 July, 1896, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.
- NORTHCOTE LOAN** : Bill to authorize the town of Northcote to construct certain permanent works and undertakings in lieu of certain other permanent works and undertakings—(*Mr. Cook*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 16 Dec., 1896, p. 323. Order for second reading read—*Mr. Speaker* said—“In my opinion this is a private Bill” ; motion, by leave, “That this Bill be treated as a public Bill,” and question resolved in the affirmative. Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 17 Dec., pp. 327–8. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 23 Dec., p. 346. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1472.*)
- PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT** : Bill to amend the *Patents Act 1890*—(*Mr. Prendergast*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 15 Sept., 1896, p. 120.—Bill lapsed.
- PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION** : Bill to amend the *Local Government Act 1890* so as to prevent plumping at municipal elections—(*Mr. Higgins*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 15 Sept., 1896, p. 120 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time ; amendment to omit “now” proposed and, by leave, withdrawn ; question, That the debate be now adjourned, negatived ; question, That this Bill be now read a second time, negatived, on division, 28 Oct., p. 247.
- PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION** : Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* so as to prevent plumping at parliamentary elections—(*Mr. Higgins*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 15 Sept., 1896, p. 120.—Bill lapsed.
- POISONS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT** : Bill to amend the *Poisons Act 1890*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1896, p. 285 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 321. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments ; amendments considered—one agreed to and the other agreed to with an amendment, 17 Dec., p. 333. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1469.*)
- POWDER MAGAZINES** : Bill to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of powder magazines and to authorize the construction by the State of a tramway to such magazines—(*Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Sept., 1896, p. 117 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 4 Nov., p. 252. Report from the Clerk of the House of a correction made by him in the Bill, 10 Nov., p. 257. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 11 Nov., p. 260. (*Assented to 16 November. Act No. 1456.*)
- PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION** : Bill providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the rates of reductions of salaries provided for in the *Public Service Retrenchment Act 1893*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1896, p. 289 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 18 Dec., p. 333 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 22 Dec., p. 341. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 23 Dec., p. 346. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1473.*)
- RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION** : Bill to sanction the expenditure of moneys available under Loan Acts for railways—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1896, p. 285 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 16 Dec., p. 324 ; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 325. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 18 Dec., p. 338. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1470.*)
- RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT** : Bill to amend the *Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 19) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; *Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1896, p. 290 ; read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 17 Dec., p. 328 ; read the third time, on division ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 22 Dec., pp. 341–2. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 23 Dec., p. 346. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1474.*)

**REFERENDUM** : Bill to provide for the adoption of the referendum—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 July, 1896, p. 18 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 14 Oct., p. 219 ; debate resumed—question, 'That the debate be adjourned, negatived, on division ; question, That this Bill be now read a second time, on division, resolved in the affirmative ; Bill read a second time ; whereupon (the motion for second reading not having been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the House) it was submitted that the Bill ought not to be further proceeded with, and Mr. Speaker's ruling on the question was requested.

And several Honorable Members having addressed the House—

\*Mr. Speaker said—A similar question was raised some weeks ago in connexion with another Bill. As I stated on that occasion the point at issue is purely a question of law, and the responsibility of determining really rests with the Law officers of the Crown when the time comes for presenting the Bill to the Governor for his assent if it passes both Houses of Parliament. However, as my ruling is requested, I will state that, in my opinion, the present Bill is one that requires to have its second and third readings passed by an absolute majority of the House. It alters the constitution of the Legislative Council by taking away from that House, under certain conditions, the right given to it by the first section of the *Constitution Act*, in conjunction with the Legislative Assembly, "to make laws in and for Victoria in all cases whatsoever." I hold that the constitution of the Council is as much altered by taking away its legislative power as by reducing the number of its Members. It would be ridiculous to say that a Bill for the latter purpose requires a statutory majority, and that a Bill for the other purpose does not. The question, I repeat, is essentially a legal question, and the ruling I give is that of a layman. If the House differs from my opinion, I am quite willing that it shall adopt a resolution to that effect.

Motion, That Mr. Speaker's ruling be disagreed with; debated; debate adjourned, 9 Dec., pp. 303-5.—Bill lapsed.

**RUPANYUP AND BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION** : Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Rupanyup to Banyena—(*Mr. H. R. Williams*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 30 July, 1896, p. 59 ; read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 15-16 Dec., p. 320 ; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time and further amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 17 Dec., pp. 328-9.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

**SALE OF MANURE** : Bill to regulate the sale of manure—(*Mr. Madden*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 July, 1896, p. 57.—Bill lapsed.

**SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE)** : Bill to provide for taking a plebiscite of the electors of the colony on the question of using the Irish National Scripture Lesson Books in State schools—(*Mr. Graham*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 July, 1896, p. 24. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 16 Sept., p. 124.

**SEEDS ADULTERATION AND SALE** : Bill to prevent the adulteration of seeds and to regulate the sale thereof—(*Mr. Madden*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments and with an amended title, viz., "*A Bill to prevent the Adulteration of Seeds and to regulate the Sale of Seeds Trees Shrubs and Vines*" ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 8 July, p. 25. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with an amendment ; amendment agreed to, 4 Aug., p. 62. (*Assented to 6 August. Act No. 1448.*)

**SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION** : Bill for the regulation of servants' registry offices—(*Mr. Barrett for Mr. Prendergast*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8.—Bill lapsed.

**SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE** : Bill for the purpose of dealing with the disposal of the Shepparton Race-course—(*Sir John McIntyre for Mr. Grattan*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8.—Bill lapsed.

**SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT** : Bill to abate the sparrow nuisance—(*Mr. Lazarus for Mr. Sterry*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 July, 1896, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.

**SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION** : Bill providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the rates of reductions of salaries provided for in the *Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893*—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1896, p. 289 ; read a second time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly, and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to ; Bill read the third time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 22 Dec., p. 341. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 23 Dec., p. 346. Bill reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, 24 Dec., p. 360.

**STATE BANK** : Bill to establish a State Bank, to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners' Savings Banks, to amend the *Savings Banks Act 1890*, to enable advances to be made, and for other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 12) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, 29 Sept., 1896, p. 133 ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing

\* See "Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill."

Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 Oct., pp. 137-8 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 20 Oct., p. 234 ; debate resumed—amendment proposed to omit all words after the word “That” and to insert in place thereof the words “as the principles in Part I. of the Bill, dealing with the amalgamation of the Savings Banks and the making of advances at low rates of interest, will meet the requirements of the country, it is inadvisable and unnecessary to ask the House to deal with the other parts of the Bill, and therefore Part I. only of the Bill should be proceeded with”—debate adjourned, 10 Nov., p. 257 ; debate resumed—amendment, by leave, withdrawn ; debate on original motion resumed—Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 11 Nov., p. 259 ; further considered in Committee, 12 Nov., p. 261, 17 Nov., p. 264, 18 Nov., p. 265 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments and with an amended title, viz., “*A Bill to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners’ Savings Banks, to amend the ‘Savings Banks Act 1890,’ to enable advances to be made, and for other purposes,*” 19 Nov., p. 267 ; report considered—amendments agreed to ; the Sessional Order limiting the time for giving precedence to Government Business on Wednesday having been suspended so as to allow the consideration of the Bill to be proceeded with—Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 25 Nov., pp. 273-6. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 16 Dec., p. 325 ; amendments considered and disagreed with and reason of disagreement stated, 22 Dec., p. 340. Message from the Legislative Council that they had decided not to insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, but that they did so under protest, 24 Dec., p. 357. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1481.*)

**TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE :** Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain land at Tatura—(*Sir John McIntyre for Mr. Webb*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 June, 1896, p. 8.—Bill lapsed.

**TREASURY BONDS :** Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury bonds—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 9) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Aug., 1896, pp. 75-6 ; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time ; amendment to omit all words after the word “That” and to insert in place thereof the words “it is not expedient to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds for the works enumerated in this Bill, but this House is of opinion that a sum of £100,000 should be placed on the Estimates for the present financial year, in addition to any sums already thereon, for the encouragement of the mining, agricultural, and other producing industries, and such public works as may be approved of by this House,” proposed but not made ; Bill read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee, 25 Aug., pp. 79-80 ; further considered in Committee, 26 Aug., p. 81, 1 Sept., p. 84, 2 Sept., p. 85 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 8 Sept., p. 87 ; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 9 Sept., p. 116. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 15 Sept., p. 120. (*Assented to 21 September. Act No. 1451.*)

**TREASURY DEPOSITS INTEREST :** Bill to authorize the payment of interest on certain deposits in the Treasury—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 2) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1896, p. 30 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 July, p. 35. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 22 July, p. 47. (*Assented to 22 July. Act No. 1444.*)

**USURY PREVENTION :** Bill for the prevention of usury—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 14 Oct., 1896, p. 149.—Bill lapsed.

**WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION :** Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as loans for water supply and irrigation works in the country districts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Nov., 1896, p. 255 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 Dec., p. 321. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill, 17 Dec., p. 328. (*Assented to 24 December. Act No. 1465.*)

**YARRA RIVER FLOODS :** Bill to provide for the reduction of floods in the River Yarra Yarra within the cities of Melbourne, Richmond, and Prahran and for other purposes—(*Mr. G. Turner*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 1) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, 7 July, 1896, p. 21 ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 9 July, p. 27 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time and amended ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 16 July, p. 35. Message from the Legislative Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 29 July, p. 58 ; amendments considered—some agreed to and one disagreed with, 30 July, p. 60. Message from the Legislative Council insisting on their amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly ; disagreement therewith not insisted on, 4 August, p. 61. (*Assented to 6 August. Act No. 1447.*)

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LIST OF MEMBERS.

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## SESSION 1896.

## MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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

## SIXTEENTH PARLIAMENT.

THIRD SESSION (23RD JUNE, 1896, TO 24TH DECEMBER, 1896).

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

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

<sup>1</sup> Mr. J. G. Barrett, elected 15 March, 1895, *vice* Mr. W. Ievers deceased, 19 February, 1895.

<sup>2</sup> The Hon. Sir Graham Berry elected Speaker, 4 October, 1894.

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

<sup>4</sup> Mr. A. Downward unseated on Report of Elections and Qualifications Committee, and Mornington election declared wholly void, 8 January, 1895; re-elected 26 January, 1895, polling 1,118 votes.

<sup>5</sup> The Hon. J. Gavan Duffy vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Postmaster-General, from 27 September, 1894.



Member.	District.	Electors on Roll.			Votes Polled for Sitting Member.
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
Fink, Theodore, Esquire ... ..	Jolimont and West Richmond	1,759	418	2,177	756
Foster, The Honorable Henry <sup>6</sup> ... ..	Gippsland East ... ..	2,072	201	2,273	Unopposed
Graham, The Honorable George ... ..	Numurkah and Nathalia	1,947	171	2,118	Unopposed
Grattan, William, Esquire ... ..	Shepparton and Euroa	1,871	156	2,027	650
Graves, The Honorable James Howlin <sup>7</sup> ... ..	Delatite ... ..	2,400	65	2,465	532
Gray, Frederick Charles, Esquire ... ..	Prahran ... ..	2,588	235	2,823	956
Grosc, Walter Bolitho, Esquire ... ..	Creswick ... ..	1,448	221	1,669	895
Gurr, William, Esquire ... ..	Geelong ... ..	4,520	506	5,026	1,743
Hamilton, Walter Alfred, Esquire ... ..	Sandhurst ... ..	4,108	1,042	5,150	1,864
Hancock, John, Esquire ... ..	Footscray ... ..	3,766	214	3,980	1,810
Harper, Robert, Esquire ... ..	Bourke East ... ..	2,214	321	2,535	1,191
Harris, Albert, Esquire ... ..	Gippsland Central ... ..	2,245	516	2,761	1,091
Higgins, Henry Bournes, Esquire ... ..	Geelong ... ..	4,520	506	5,026	1,768
Irvine, William Hill, Esquire ... ..	Lowan ... ..	2,337	291	2,628	959
Isaacs, The Honorable Isaac Alfred <sup>8</sup> ... ..	Bogong ... ..	1,313	234	1,547	Unopposed
Isaacs, John Alfred, Esquire ... ..	Ovens ... ..	1,411	150	1,561	748
Kennedy, Thomas, Esquire ... ..	Benalla and Yarrawonga	2,221	777	2,998	1,232
Kerr, David, Esquire ... ..	Grenville ... ..	2,622	427	3,049	1,519
Kirton, Joseph William, Esquire <sup>9</sup> ... ..	Ballarat West ... ..	4,702	731	5,433	2,245
Langdon, Thomas, Esquire <sup>10</sup> ... ..	Korong ... ..	1,774	171	1,945	620
Lazarus, Daniel Barnet, Esquire ... ..	Sandhurst ... ..	4,108	1,042	5,150	1,834
Lavien, The Honorable Jonas Felix ... ..	Barwon ... ..	1,783	171	1,954	761
Longmore, The Honorable Francis ... ..	Dandenong and Berwick	3,797	180	3,977	1,212
Madden, Frank, Esquire ... ..	Eastern Suburbs ... ..	4,639	305	4,944	Unopposed
Maloney, William, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne West ... ..	1,726	533	2,259	Unopposed
Mason, Francis Conway, Esquire <sup>11</sup> ... ..	Gippsland South ... ..	2,788	206	2,994	Unopposed
McArthur, John Neil, Esquire <sup>12</sup> ... ..	Villiers and Heytesbury	1,841	420	2,261	925
McCay, James Whiteside, Esquire <sup>13</sup> ... ..	Castlemaine ... ..	2,312	685	2,997	1,133
McColl, The Honorable James Hiers ... ..	Gunbower ... ..	2,017	489	2,506	1,060
McGregor, Robert, Esquire ... ..	Ballarat East ... ..	2,577	529	3,106	1,428
McIntyre, The Honorable Sir John ... ..	Maldon ... ..	1,385	195	1,580	724
McKenzie, Malcolm Kenneth, Esquire ... ..	Anglesey ... ..	2,265	1,004	3,269	1,393
McLean, The Honorable Allan <sup>14</sup> ... ..	Gippsland North ... ..	1,748	108	1,856	Unopposed
McLellan, The Honorable William ... ..	Ararat ... ..	1,363	164	1,527	Unopposed
McLeod, Donald Norman, Esquire ... ..	Portland ... ..	1,734	165	1,899	587
Moule, William Henry, Esquire ... ..	Brighton ... ..	3,354	171	3,525	1,579
Murphy, Edward, Esquire ... ..	Warrenheip ... ..	1,533	143	1,676	Unopposed
Murray, John, Esquire ... ..	Warrnambool ... ..	1,649	98	1,747	742
O'Neill, Richard, Esquire ... ..	Mandurang ... ..	1,491	384	1,875	825
Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard ... ..	Maryborough ... ..	1,877	214	2,091	1,091
Peacock, The Honorable Alexander James <sup>15</sup> ... ..	Clunes and Allandale ... ..	1,549	260	1,809	Unopposed
Prendergast, George Michael, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne North ... ..	2,424	542	2,966	1,098

<sup>6</sup> The Hon. H. Foster vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Minister of Mines, also Minister of Water Supply (without salary), from 28 September, 1894.

<sup>7</sup> The Hon. J. H. Graves, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 23 June, 1896.

<sup>8</sup> The Hon. I. A. Isaacs vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected 9 October, 1894, polling 965 votes; Attorney-General from 27 September, 1894.

<sup>9</sup> Mr. J. W. Kirton, elected 5 November, 1894, *vice* the Hon. Lieut.-Col. W. C. Smith deceased, 20 October, 1894.

<sup>10</sup> Mr. T. Langdon, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 7 November, 1894.

<sup>11</sup> Mr. F. C. Mason, Chairman of Committees, from 26 May, 1892; re-elected Chairman, 31 October, 1894.

<sup>12</sup> Mr. J. N. McArthur, elected 14 July, 1896, *vice* Mr. T. Scott resigned.

<sup>13</sup> Mr. J. W. McCay, elected 19 November, 1895, *vice* Sir J. B. Patterson deceased, 30 October, 1895.

<sup>14</sup> The Hon. A. McLean, a Member of the Government, without office, from 28 September, 1894.

<sup>15</sup> The Hon. A. J. Peacock vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Chief Secretary, also Minister of Public Instruction (without salary), from 27 September, 1894.

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll.			Votes Polled for Sitting Member.
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
Rawson, Hugh, Esquire ... ..	Kyneton ... ..	1,477	282	1,759	787
Reid, The Honorable Robert Dyce ... ..	Toorak ... ..	3,645	287	3,932	1,028
Rogers, John William Foster, Esquire ... ..	South Yarra ... ..	2,199	254	2,453	679
Russell, George, Esquire ... ..	Grenville ... ..	2,622	427	3,049	1,125
Salmon, Charles Carty, Esquire ... ..	Talbot and Avoca ... ..	1,618	244	1,862	Unopposed
Sangster, George, Esquire ... ..	Port Melbourne ... ..	2,153	324	2,477	936
Scott, Thomas, Esquire <sup>16</sup> ... ..	Villiers and Heytesbury ... ..	1,862	367	2,229	1,024
Shiels, The Honorable William ... ..	Normanby ... ..	1,903	161	2,064	693
Smith, Robert Murray, Esquire, C.M.G. ... ..	Hawthorn ... ..	3,233	362	3,596	1,352
Smith, Thomas, Esquire ... ..	Emerald Hill ... ..	1,936	395	2,331	704
Staughton, Samuel Thomas, Esquire ... ..	Bourke West ... ..	1,754	220	1,974	Unopposed
Sterry, David Chaplin, Esquire ... ..	Sandhurst South ... ..	1,737	226	1,963	791
Styles, James, Esquire ... ..	Williamstown ... ..	2,792	380	3,172	1,125
Taverner, The Honorable John William <sup>17</sup> ... ..	Donald and Swan Hill ... ..	4,333	242	4,575	Unopposed
Thomson, John, Esquire ... ..	Dundas ... ..	1,882	363	2,245	762
Trenwith, William Arthur, Esquire ... ..	Richmond ... ..	5,106	777	5,883	2,399
Tucker, The Honorable Albert Lee ... ..	Fitzroy ... ..	3,378	577	3,955	1,524
<i>Tucker, John Benjamin, Esquire</i> <sup>18</sup> ... ..	Melbourne South ... ..	1,713	429	2,142	573
Turner, The Honorable George <sup>19</sup> ... ..	St. Kilda ... ..	2,695	392	3,087	1,317
Turner, George James, Esquire ... ..	Gippsland West ... ..	3,549	445	3,994	1,244
Vale, The Honorable Richard Tayler <sup>20</sup> ... ..	Ballarat West ... ..	4,702	731	5,433	2,159
Webb, The Honorable William Telford ... ..	Rodney ... ..	4,152	627	4,779	1,701
Wheeler, The Honorable James Henry ... ..	Daylesford ... ..	1,674	100	1,774	888
White, Andrew William Henry, Esquire ... ..	Rodney ... ..	4,152	627	4,779	1,457
White, John Samuel, Esquire ... ..	Albert Park ... ..	1,898	414	2,312	700
Wilkins, Edgar, Esquire <sup>21</sup> ... ..	Collingwood ... ..	4,366	502	4,868	1,830
Williams, Edward David, Esquire ... ..	Castlemaine ... ..	2,399	470	2,869	1,206
Williams, The Honorable Henry Roberts <sup>22</sup> ... ..	Eaglehawk ... ..	1,671	299	1,970	Unopposed
Winter, Joseph, Esquire <sup>23</sup> ... ..	Melbourne South ... ..	2,040	365	2,405	968
Zox, Ephraim Lamén, Esquire ... ..	Melbourne East ... ..	3,562	506	4,068	1,525

<sup>16</sup> Mr. T. Scott resigned his seat, 23 June, 1896; succeeded by Mr. J. N. McArthur.

<sup>17</sup> The Hon. J. W. Taverner vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Commissioner of Public Works and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, also Minister of Agriculture (without salary), from 27 September, 1894; and Minister of Health (without salary), from 14 May to 16 September, 1895.

<sup>18</sup> Mr. J. B. Tucker, elected 26 May, 1896, *vice* Mr. J. Winter deceased, 2 May, 1896.

<sup>19</sup> The Hon. G. Turner vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Treasurer (and Premier), from 27 September, 1894; also Minister of Defence (without salary) and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 20 December, 1894, to 13 February, 1895.

<sup>20</sup> The Hon. R. T. Vale, appointed a Member of the Executive Council, 28 September, 1894. Was also a Member of the Government, without office, from 28 September, 1894, to 4 August, 1896.

<sup>21</sup> Mr. E. Wilkins, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 7 November, 1894.

<sup>22</sup> The Hon. H. R. Williams vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 3 October, 1894; Minister of Railways, from 27 September, 1894; also Minister of Health (without salary), from 16 September, 1895.

<sup>23</sup> Mr. J. Winter, one of the three Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 21 November, 1894; deceased, 2 May, 1896. Succeeded by Mr. J. B. Tucker.

## OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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

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VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 23RD JUNE, 1896.

1. The Legislative Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the twenty-third day of May, 1896—which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

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

### PROCLAMATION

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

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Act* it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor to fix such places within Victoria and, subject to the limitation therein contained, such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Council and Assembly, and to vary and alter the same respectively in such manner as he might think fit ; and also from time to time to prorogue the said Council and Assembly, and to dissolve the said Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he should deem it expedient : And whereas the said Council and Assembly, called “ The Parliament of Victoria,” stand prorogued until Monday, the first day of June, 1896, and it is expedient further to prorogue the same, and to fix the time for holding the next Session thereof : Now therefore I, the Governor of Victoria, in exercise of the power conferred by the said Act, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the 23rd day of June, 1896 ; and also I do hereby fix Tuesday, the 23rd day of June aforesaid, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Council and Assembly, called the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Two o'clock in the afternoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Parliament-place, Spring-street, in the City of Melbourne : And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this twenty-third day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the fifty-ninth year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

BRASSEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

GEORGE TURNER.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN !

(700 copies.)

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—A Message was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

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

3. <sup>6</sup>ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that since the prorogation he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Melbourne South, in the place of Joseph Winter, Esquire, deceased.

4. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Speaker also announced that he had received a return to the foregoing Writ, by which it appeared that John Benjamin Tucker, of Cecil-street, South Melbourne, secretary, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.

5. MEMBER SWORN.—John Benjamin Tucker, Esquire, was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

6. RESIGNATION OF SEAT.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following letter, which he read:—

23 June, 1896.

*The Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria.*

MY DEAR SIR,

I beg to resign my position as Member for Villiers and Heytesbury in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria.

I am, yours faithfully,

THOMAS SCOTT.

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

VICTORIA.

*Legislative Assembly.*

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

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

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

8. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

British New Guinea—Annual Report on—from 1st July, 1894, to 30th June, 1895; with Appendices.

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

Post Office Savings Bank.—Statement of Accounts of the Post Office Savings Bank in Victoria for the year 1895.

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

Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1895.

Mr. Best presented—

Mortgages in the Mallee.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 27th February, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The number of mortgages registered in the mallee.
2. The aggregate amount of mortgages.
3. The average amount of each mortgage.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Regulations with respect to Applications for Orders authorizing the Supply of Electricity, &c.

Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1895.

Fire Brigades Acts—

Country Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1895, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the year ended 31st December, 1895, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1895.

Neglected Children's Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.—Order in Council.

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Fourth General Report.

Post Office Act 1890.—Re-direction of Telegrams within Victoria.

Public Service Acts.—Amendment of Regulations.

Savings Banks.—General Order No. 23.

Water Act 1890.—Warrnambool Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £500.—Detailed Statement and Report.

9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Gavan Duffy do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts 1890 and 1893,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

In calling you together for the first time since my arrival in Victoria, I am glad to be able to congratulate you on the passing away of the protracted drought, which had checked the returning prosperity of the country; and I trust that the present expectation of a plentiful harvest will be fully realized.

It is pleasant to be able to state that signs of improvement are visible in almost every branch of trade and commerce; exports exceed those of the previous year by half-a-million sterling; factories are more numerous, and the number of persons employed therein greater; the sale of land is steadily increasing; the mines are producing more gold and employing more miners; and such satisfactory progress has been made in opening up coal-fields that Victoria may hope at no distant date to have an independent supply.

An important Conference, at which New South Wales, South Australia, Queensland, Tasmania, and Victoria were represented by their Premiers or other Ministers, was held at Sydney at the commencement of the year. It is gratifying to know that the resolutions which it passed were agreed to unanimously. These resolutions will be laid before you, and in such cases as require legislative action to give them effect your sanction will be asked to the necessary measures.

During the recess every effort has been made by my Government, in conjunction with the Governments of those Colonies which have already passed Enabling Acts, to urge upon the Governments of Queensland and Western Australia the advisableness of speedily passing similar measures. It is understood that both these great Colonies will proceed with the necessary legislation, and there is now every hope that during the present year the whole of Australia will elect representatives to a Convention for the purpose of framing a Federal Constitution.

The measure for the encouragement of the manufacture of Beet Sugar, which became law last Session, has led to the formation of a company with flattering promises of support, and it is hoped this will result in a valuable industry being permanently established in Victoria. The fact that the soil and climate of portions of the country are peculiarly adapted for the growth of tobacco and of oil-bearing plants has not escaped attention, and my Advisers have taken steps to encourage the cultivation and scientific treatment of these products.

The increase in the yield of Gold has encouraged my Advisers to bring prominently under the notice of European capitalists the advantages of Victoria as a field for investment. The Agent-General is kept supplied with full reports on proved auriferous leads and lines of reef.

The Railway Commissioner, under the provisions of the Act passed last Session, has been appointed, and will shortly enter upon the arduous and responsible duties of his important office.

The loss of traffic occasioned by the failure of the harvest has caused a serious deficiency in the income derived from the railways during the present financial year. For the coming year the prospects are more favorable, and a largely increased revenue may be expected.

In order to provide as much employment as possible during the winter months, my Ministers have carried on the regrading of certain lines and other works authorized by Parliament. The expenditure incurred will, it is believed, be fully justified by the reduction in the working expenses and greater efficiency. It is confidently expected that when the Standing Committee on Railways has reported on the questions submitted to it still further works of a reproductive character can be undertaken.

A Royal Commission has been appointed to examine into the condition and prospects of the Irrigation Settlement of Mildura. When its report has been received, my Advisers will be prepared to carefully consider the complicated issues that have been raised by the unfortunate state of that settlement.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates for the ensuing Financial Year will be laid before you without delay. My Advisers have maintained their policy of bringing about a substantial and permanent reduction of the Public Expenditure, and the Estimates to be submitted to you have been framed with the view of preserving the economical administration of the Government. To enable you to deal with the details of the expenditure at the earliest possible moment, you will be asked to complete the consideration of the Estimates as speedily as practicable after the delivery of the Financial Statement.

Recognising that in order to make production successful the producer must have command of capital at a low rate of interest, my Advisers have carefully considered the valuable Report of the Commission on State Banking. They will propose for your sanction a measure which will enable producers to obtain money under more advantageous terms than have hitherto existed.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The first business which will be placed before you will be those two important measures which unfortunately failed to become law during the past Session ; the Bill to amend the Shops and Factories Act, which is designed to cope with the great and increasing evil of sweating, and to assure to the workers a fair wage and healthy and comfortable surroundings whilst at work ; and the Bill to amend the Companies Act, which is intended, whilst giving every scope to honest industrial enterprise, to check the many abuses which experience has shown to be too prevalent in connexion with the promotion and management of companies.

My Advisers will bring before you proposals having for their object the amendment of the Constitution Act and the removal of the many anomalies and restrictions which now exist in regard to the exercise of the franchise.

The amendment of the Mining Acts, more especially in connexion with the position of those who work mines as tributers, and the consolidation of the general body of Mining Laws now contained in a number of scattered Acts, have been long urgently required. The very magnitude of the undertaking has caused delay, but my Advisers have prepared a comprehensive measure dealing with the subject which will be submitted for your consideration.

For many years the necessity has been recognised for making better and more definite provision for the maintenance of Charitable Institutions, for their management, and for the distribution on some settled plan of the funds provided by the State for Charitable purposes. Aided by the valuable Report of the Royal Commission on Charities, my Advisers have framed a measure to carry out these objects which will be shortly laid before you.

Recent events threatened to involve the Empire in war. Happily they have had no result except to demonstrate the undoubted loyalty of every portion of the Queen's Dominions, and the force which a united people hold in reserve, and which they are ready to exert when their spirit is aroused. The suddenness with which the danger arose is a warning to Australians that they must be prepared at all times for immediate and concerted action, and my Advisers, in accordance with the resolution arrived at by the Sydney Conference, and reciprocating the action of the other Colonies, will lay before you a Bill which will enable Victorian troops to be employed, in case of necessity, for the defence of any portion of Australia.

In the interest of producers, and to assist them to obtain and keep the position in the markets of the world to which the quality of their commodities entitles them, you will be asked to deal with a Bill to regulate the export of Live Stock, Meat, Dairy Produce, and Fruit, and to provide for thorough and efficient inspection of these products when intended for exportation.

It is also proposed to ask your sanction to a measure which will give consumers protection against the sale in our markets of food not fit for consumption, more especially meat and milk, upon the purity and wholesomeness of which the health of the people so largely depends.

The exigencies of public business did not allow any opportunity for the amendment of the Insolvency Law during last Session, though the necessity for it had become apparent. My Advisers have prepared and intend to lay before you a Bill which will remedy the defects of the existing system, and incorporate improvements which experience has shown to be necessary.

A measure has been prepared and will be submitted to you for the purpose of regulating the immigration of undesirable persons, especially destitute Asiatics, whose numbers have increased so considerably as to threaten to become a burden to the State as well as a source of public danger.

The law passed for the settlement of trade disputes having been found to be inoperative, my Advisers have framed a proposal which will be laid before you, and which is intended to give opportunities for amicable arrangement of those disagreements between employers and employed which have been in the past a serious danger to the community as well as a material loss to industry.

A number of other useful measures will be proposed for your consideration according as the exigencies of public business will allow. Amongst these will be found a Bill for the Suppression of Usury ; a measure amending the law relating to Life Assurance ; a Bill to provide for the improvement of the River Yarra ; an amendment of the Post Office Act ; a measure dealing with Explosives ; a Bill to provide a general Metropolitan Cemetery ; an amendment of the Police Offences Act ; a Bill to amend the Local Government Acts ; a measure to amend the Land Acts ; a Bill to amend the law relating to Game ; and various other practical measures of minor importance.

And now, in leaving you to your deliberations, I pray that by the blessing of Divine Providence your labours may conduce to the welfare and continued prosperity of the people.

BRASSEY.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Sir John McIntyre moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

And the question being put—That the debate be now adjourned—the House proceeded to a division, but only one Member (Mr. Rogers) being willing to act as Teller for the "Noes," Mr. Speaker declared that the "Ayes" had it.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Proceedings of Conference of Premiers held in Sydney, 4th March, 1896, with Appendix.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Regulations for securing the Safety of the Public.  
Education Act 1890 and Teachers Act 1893.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—  
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :  
We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House.
4. SUPPLY.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 1).—Mr. Beazley moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act* 1890.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Anderson, and Mr. Wilkins do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Beazley then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. **SERVANTS' REGISTRY OFFICES REGULATION BILL.**—Mr. Barrett moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Prendergast, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the regulation of servants' registry offices.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Barrett do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Barrett then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Regulation of Servants' Registry Offices,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **SHEPPARTON RACE-COURSE BILL.**—Sir John McIntyre moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Grattan, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the purpose of dealing with the disposal of the Shepparton Race-course.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Grattan and Sir John McIntyre do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Sir John McIntyre then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the purpose of dealing with the disposal of the Shepparton Race-course,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **SEEDS ADULTERATION AND SALE BILL.**—Mr. Madden moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the adulteration of seeds and to regulate the sale thereof.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Madden and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Madden then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to prevent the Adulteration of Seeds and to Regulate the Sale thereof,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).**—Sir John McIntyre moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Grattan, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890.*  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Grattan and Sir John McIntyre do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Sir John McIntyre then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. **ART UNIONS BILL.**—Mr. Sangster moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Hancock, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Police Offences Act 1890* with a view to legalizing certain art unions.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Hancock and Mr. Sangster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Sangster then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Police Offences Act 1890' with a view to legalizing certain Art Unions,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
12. **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the liability of employers for injuries to their workmen.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. Hamilton do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Liability of Employers for Injuries to their Workmen,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3).**—Mr. McGregor moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890.*  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. McGregor and Mr. T. Smith do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. McGregor then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
14. **TATURA WATERWORKS TRUST LAND SALE BILL.**—Sir John McIntyre moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Webb, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain land at Tatura.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Webb and Sir John McIntyre do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Sir John McIntyre then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Tatura Waterworks Trust to sell certain Land at Tatura,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

15. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Companies Act 1890*.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Companies Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—  
*Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.*
17. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Mr. Bennett moved, by leave, That leave of absence for the remainder of the Session be granted to William Arthur Trenwith, Esq., one of the Honorable Members for Richmond.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past one o’clock:  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1896.

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

VICTORIA.

*Legislative Assembly.*

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

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

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
 Speaker.

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

Mr. W. Anderson moved, as an amendment, That the words "Half-past Ten o'clock on" be inserted before the word "Thursday," in line 4.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question—That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, and Three o'clock be the hour of meeting on Wednesday and Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

On one Wednesday—

*Private Bill Business :*

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

*General Business :*

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

On the alternate Wednesday—

*General Business :*

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

*Private Bill Business :*

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graham, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Taverner, and Mr. Webb.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Craven, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Rawson ; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Austin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Wilkins.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session :—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Carter, Mr. Deakin, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. T. Smith, and Mr. Wheeler ; three to be a quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Gray moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Gray and Mr. Wilkins do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Gray then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th July next.

13. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Wheeler moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Wheeler and Mr. W. Anderson do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Wheeler 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 Wednesday, 8th July next.
14. DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. W. Anderson moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Salmon, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Dog Act 1890*.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Salmon and Mr. W. Anderson do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. W. Anderson then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Dog 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 Wednesday, 8th July next.
15. FREE GARDENERS OF AUSTRALASIA LAND BILL.—Mr. Zox moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the transfer of certain reserved land in the City of Melbourne from the Victorian Horticultural Improvement Society to the Grand United Order of Free Gardeners of Australasia.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That Mr. Zox and Mr. Lazarus do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
 Mr. Zox then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the transfer of certain reserved land in the City of Melbourne from the Victorian Horticultural Improvement Society to the Grand United Order of Free Gardeners of Australasia,*” 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, 8th July next.
16. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Sir John McIntyre moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 8th July next.
18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 30TH JUNE, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had, this day, issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Villiers and Heytesbury, in the place of Thomas Scott, Esquire, resigned.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
  - Australasian Statistics for the year 1894, compiled from Official Returns in the office of the Government Statist of Victoria.
  - Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1894.—Part IX.—Social Condition.
  - Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part I.—Blue Book.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
 

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

  - Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st July, 1895, to 31st December, 1895.
  - Post Office and Telegraph Department—Report upon the Affairs of—for the year 1895.
  - Public Service Acts.—Amendment of Regulations.
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1890* and for other purposes.
 

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Factories and Shops Act 1890’ and for other purposes,*” and moved, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages in this House up to and including the stage of transmission to the Legislative Council.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a first time.

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

5. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—FEES.**—Mr. Peacock moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Fees to be charged under the Factories and Shops Act 1890 Amendment Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

*Resolved*—That the following Fees be chargeable under the Factories and Shops Act 1890 Amendment Bill, viz.:—

Every factory or work-room in which more than six and not more than ten persons are employed, or in which, though more than six are not employed, steam, water, gas, oil, or electric power is used, per annum ...	£0	10	0
Every other factory or work-room, per annum ...	...	...	0 2 6

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

6. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.

8. **COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until to-morrow.

10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

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WEDNESDAY, 1ST JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. NEW RAILWAY STATION AT FLINDERS-STREET.—Mr. Cameron moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Plan for New Railway Station at Flinders-street; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
New Railway Station at Flinders-street.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bowser rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “The question of a close season for Murray cod, perch, and bream.”  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Bowser moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
5. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Valedictory Report of the Acting Victorian Railways Commissioners for two years and three months, ending 30th June, 1896.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. PAPERS.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
Victorian Railways.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Water Act 1890—  
Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 3 (Draft Form).  
Koondrook Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.  
Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 3 (Draft Form).  
Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—  
Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 13 (Draft Form).  
Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 13.  
Twelve-Mile Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.  
Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Supply of Water to Irrigation Colonies outside the Trust District.—Order in Council.  
Yatchaw Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

(700 copies.)

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion, General Business, Nos. 4, 5, and 6.
8. **SPARROW NUISANCE ABATEMENT BILL.**—Mr. Lazarus moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Sterry, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to abate the sparrow nuisance.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Sterry and Mr. Lazarus do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Lazarus then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to abate the Sparrow Nuisance,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th July instant.
9. **NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL.**—Mr. Cook moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Cook, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. Gray do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Cook then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to abolish Compulsory Vaccination in Victoria,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th July instant.
10. **REFERENDUM BILL.**—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the adoption of the Referendum.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Higgins do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the adoption of the Referendum,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th July instant.
11. **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended for this evening so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with during the whole of the sitting.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **GENERAL BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order fixing the order of business on Wednesday in each week be suspended on Wednesday, 8th July instant, and Wednesday, 15th July instant, and that on those days General Business shall have precedence over Government Business.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

**VICTORIA.**

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**

No. 6.

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THURSDAY, 2ND JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the House, at eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Outtrim presented a petition from J. W. Hunt, styling himself chairman, and from John Vale, styling himself secretary, on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Victorian Alliance, praying that the House will reject the Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill.  
On the motion of Mr. Outtrim, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.  
The petition was read by the Clerk.  
Mr. R. Murray Smith presented a petition from the Freehold Investment and Banking Company of Australia Limited, under the common seal of the said Corporation, praying that it may have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of the *Reconstructed Companies Act* 1893 to the Freehold Investment and Banking Company of Australia Limited, and that the House will be pleased to pass the said Bill and to suspend or dispense with such or so much of the Standing Orders as may not have been complied with.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had, that day, waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 24th June last, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

In the name and on behalf of our Most Gracious Sovereign, I beg to thank you for the loyal Address you have just presented to me, and I fervently hope that the measures to be brought under your consideration may tend to the permanent advancement of the public welfare.

BRASSEY.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 7th July, 1896.

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

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.*

*Message No. 1.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Reduction of Floods in the River Yarra Yarra, within the Cities of Melbourne, Richmond, and Prahran, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 6th July, 1896.

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

## 5. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Australasian Quarantine Conference of Melbourne, Victoria, 1896.—Proceedings of the.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

## Chinese Act 1890—

Exemptions.—Proclamation regarding Timothy Joy Chew and Wife, and Wong Ah Mook.  
Exemptions.—Proclamation regarding Lui Ngoong Suey and Chin Shun Lee.

## Customs Act 1890.—Additional Drawback Regulation.—Order in Council.

## Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890—

## Minor Articles used in Manufacture—

Malleable Cast Hubs and Metal “Paragon” Book Clips.

“Lightning” Patent Stoppers for Bottles.

Apparel and Slops ; Hats and Caps ; Furniture, &c.

Box-making, Fancy.—Shields, &c.

Can Tops ; Can Extinguishers.

Sleeve Extenders.

Fibre Chamois.

Floats (Cork) for Fishing Nets.

Screws for Tobacco Cutters and Tin Openers.

Rate of Duty on Parts of Dutiable Articles.—Slipper Forms.

## Customs and Excise Duties Act 1895.—Drawback Rates in certain cases.

## Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—

## Victorian Naval and Military Forces—

Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Part I.—Pay of Permanent Forces.

Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Part II.—Pay of Militia Forces.

Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Part IV.—Allowances.

## Victorian Military Forces—

Addition to Regulations.—Part I.—Commissions and Promotions of Officers.

Alteration of Regulations.—Part IV.—Mounted Rifles.

## Explosives Act 1890.—Addition to List of Explosives authorized for Importation into and Manufacture in Victoria.—Orders in Council—

Nitrate Mixture.

Blasting Amberite ; Electronite.

## Fisheries Act 1890.—Proclamations—

Netting in the Barwon River and Lake Connemara.

Oyster Dredging in Western Port Bay.

Prohibiting the use of “Jaggers.”

## Land Act 1890.—Orders in Council—

Alteration of Regulations.

Addition to Regulations.

## Marine Board of Victoria.—Statement of Pilotage Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 31st December, 1895; together with the Audit Commissioners' certificate thereon.

## Seed Advances Act 1896.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

## Settlement on Lands Act 1893.—Alteration of Regulations.—Part I.—Village Communities.—

Order in Council.

## Water Act 1890—

Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 3.

Regulation No. 4.

## 6. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

## 7. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for His Excellency the Right Honorable Henry Robert, Viscount Hampden, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of New South Wales and its dependencies.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

## 8. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Trade with the United Kingdom.—Returns prepared in compliance with Colonial Office Despatch No. 103, of 28th November, 1895.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1895.
3. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT—TEACHERS' BRANCH.—Mr. Rogers moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The number of classified positions (exclusive of monitors, pupil teachers, and sewing mistresses) in the teachers' branch of the Education Department on 30th June, 1896.
  2. The number of classified teachers (exclusive of monitors, pupil teachers, and sewing mistresses) employed by the Education Department on 30th June, 1896.
  3. (a) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results £500 and upwards for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(b) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £450 and £500 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(c) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £400 and £450 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(d) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £350 and £400 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(e) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £325 and £350 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(f) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £300 and £325 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(Percentage deductions to be included as received.)
  4. The number of "First Appointments" made to the Classified Roll of Teachers during the year ended 30th June, 1896.
  5. The number of pupil teachers acting temporarily as classified teachers on the 30th June, 1896.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUBDIVISION OF MALLEE BLOCKS.—Mr. Longmore moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The names of block-holders in the mallee who have got authority to subdivide their blocks for settlement.
  2. The areas of such land so authorized to be subdivided.
  3. The date at which such authority was given.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive.
6. C. R. STAPLES.—Mr. T. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of the petition presented to the Law Department praying for the release from prison of C. R. Staples.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. **SCRIPTURE LESSON BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS (PLEBISCITE) BILL.**—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for taking a plebiscite of the electors of the colony on the question of using the Irish National Scripture Lesson Books in State Schools.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Graham and Mr. T. Smith do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Graham then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for taking a Plebiscite of the Electors of the Colony on the question of using the Irish National Scripture Lesson Books in State Schools,*” 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, 5th August next.
8. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4).**—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Graves and Mr. McCay do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Graves then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Local Government Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 5th August next.
9. **DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—  
*Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 22nd July instant :—  
*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
*Free Gardeners of Australasia Land Bill—Second reading.*  
Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until this day :—  
*Dog Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*
11. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 1).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Beazley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Beazley moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Beazley, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.  
On the motion of Mr. Beazley, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Beazley moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Beazley, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **DOG ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Salmon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McKenzie,	

Tellers.

Mr. Grose,  
Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 27.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. McLeod,	

Tellers.

Mr. Cook,  
Mr. Lazarus.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday, 22nd July instant, 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 Wednesday, 22nd July instant :—

*Servants' Registry Offices Regulation Bill—Second reading.*  
*Shepparton Race-course Bill—Second reading.*

14. **SEEDS ADULTERATION AND SALE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Madden moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments, and with an amended Title, which Title is as follows :—

*“A Bill to prevent the Adulteration of Seeds and to regulate the Sale of Seeds Trees Shrubs and Vines.”*

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 22nd July instant :—

*Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 2)—Second reading.*

16. **ART UNIONS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hancock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Mason,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 34.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 22nd July instant :—

*Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 3)—Second reading.*

*Tatura Waterworks Trust Land Sale Bill—Second reading.*

*Sparrow Nuisance Abatement Bill—Second reading.*

*Non-compulsory Vaccination Bill—Second reading.*

*Referendum Bill—Second reading.*

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Wednesday, 19th August next :—

*Employers' Liability Law Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,

*Speaker.*



VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Downward presented a petition from certain Village Settlers of Koo-wee-rup, praying that they may be given a share of the reclamation work in progress at the Koo-wee-rup Swamp. On the motion of Mr. Downward, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read. The petition was read by the Clerk. Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair. Question—put and negatived. Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 1, having been read—On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution. On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day. Mr. Mason reported from a Committee of the whole House a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—  
*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Reduction of Floods in the River Yarra Yarra, within the Cities of Melbourne, Richmond, and Prahran, and for other purposes. And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House. Ordered—That Mr. Taverner and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
5. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL.—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Reduction of Floods in the River Yarra Yarra within the Cities of Melbourne Richmond and Prahran 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.
6. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Best presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Marine Board of Victoria.—Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to investigate and report upon the complaints made by George Sangster, Esq., M.P., against the Marine Board of Victoria.

Mr. Peacock presented—

Education Department—Teachers' Branch.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th July, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The number of classified positions (exclusive of monitors, pupil teachers, and sewing mistresses) in the teachers' branch of the Education Department on 30th June, 1896.
2. The number of classified teachers (exclusive of monitors, pupil teachers, and sewing mistresses) employed by the Education Department on 30th June, 1896.
3. (a) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results £500 and upwards for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(b) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £450 and £500 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(c) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £400 and £450 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(d) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £350 and £400 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(e) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £325 and £350 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(f) The number of such teachers who received in salary and results between £300 and £325 for year ending 30th June, 1896.  
(Percentage deductions to be included as received.)
4. The number of "First Appointments" made to the Classified Roll of Teachers during the year ended 30th June, 1896.
5. The number of pupil teachers acting temporarily as classified teachers on the 30th June, 1896.

Mr. Best presented—

Subdivision of Mallee Blocks.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th July, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The names of block-holders in the mallee who have got authority to subdivide their blocks for settlement.
2. The areas of such land so authorized to be subdivided.
3. The date at which such authority was given.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—

C. R. Staples.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th July, 1896, for a copy of the petition presented to the Law Department praying for the release from prison of C. R. Staples.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of— for the year 1895.  
Water Act 1890—Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 3.  
Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

(700 copies)

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

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.*

*Message No. 2.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill intituled an Act to authorize the Payment of Interest on certain Deposits in the Treasury.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 14th July, 1896.

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

4. **TREASURY DEPOSITS INTEREST BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 2, having been read—On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Payment of Interest on certain Deposits in the Treasury.

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

Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

5. **TREASURY DEPOSITS INTEREST BILL.**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the payment of Interest on certain Deposits in the Treasury,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

6. **COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1890' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 14th July, 1896.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Thursday next.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2, 4, and 5 be postponed until Thursday next.

Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from certain residents of the parish of Yarrowonga, praying that the close season for the protection of Murray cod be fixed by law to commence on the first day of May and terminate on the thirty-first day of October in each year.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. HOMES PROTECTION BILL.—Mr. McColl moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the protection of homes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Fink do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Protection of Homes*," and moved, 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, 5th August next.
4. ALFRED GODDARD.—Mr. T. Smith moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Alfred Goddard, late a sorter in the General Post Office.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Craven.

Noes, 25.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Thomson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. PENSIONS FOR THE AGED POOR.—Mr. Kirton moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House special provision should be made for the aged poor by means of State-aided pensions or insurance.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

6. LAANECOORIE WEIR.—ANDREW O'KEEFE'S CLAIM.—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the claim of Andrew O'Keefe, in respect to certain monetary claims made by the said Andrew O'Keefe, in connexion with the construction of the Laanecoorie Weir, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Craven, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Styles, Mr. J. S. White, and the Mover, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

7. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Kerr moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The number of architects employed in the Public Works Department during the past two years, and the amount of salary paid to each.
2. The number of draughtsmen employed during the same time, and salaries paid to each.
3. The number of bridges, public buildings, &c., erected under their supervision during the same period, and total cost of same.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to insolvency.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend 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 to-morrow.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees, for 1895, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1894–5.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2.
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
  1. Clause 1, line 6, after “and” insert “except sections fifteen and fifty-four which come into force on the passing hereof.”
  2. „ line 6, omit “July,” substitute “October.”
  3. Clause 3, line 9, omit “is or are,” substitute “are or is.”
  4. „ line 10, omit “for hire or reward.”
  5. „ line 14, omit “engaged,” substitute “employed.”
  6. Clause 9, line 7, omit “which.”
  7. „ line 8, omit “passing,” substitute “commencement.”
  8. Clause 12, line 37, after “Acts” insert “and regulations thereunder.”
  9. Clause 14, omit this clause and substitute—
    - A. (1) Every person who outside a factory or work-room wholly or partly prepares or manufactures for trade or sale any articles of clothing or wearing apparel shall either personally or by written notice register with the Chief Inspector his full name and address, and also from time to time in like manner register with the Chief Inspector any change in such address. Every such written notice shall be transmitted through the post free of postage if the envelope containing the same is marked with the words “*Factories and Shops Act 1896.*”
    - (2) Every person so registered shall answer all questions put to him by an inspector as to the person for whom the articles are being prepared or manufactured and the price or rate to be paid to him therefor ; provided that no woman or girl shall be asked such questions except by a female inspector.
    - (3) Every person guilty of a contravention of sub-sections (1) or (2) of this section shall for every offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding Ten shillings.
    - (4) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act no names or addresses registered pursuant to this section shall be published in any manner, or be open to the public, or be seen by any person other than the Under Secretary the Chief Inspector or the officers under such Chief Inspector. Such Under Secretary Chief Inspector and officers shall maintain and aid in maintaining secrecy as to the names and addresses so registered, and shall not communicate any such name or address to any person whomsoever, except for the purposes of enforcing the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts. Every such Under Secretary Chief Inspector and officer shall at the commencement of this Act or before acting as Under Secretary Chief Inspector or as an officer under the Chief Inspector take and subscribe before some justice such oath of secrecy as may be prescribed. Every person who wilfully acts in contravention of this sub-section or of such oath shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding One hundred pounds.
    - (5) In this section the expression “clothing or wearing apparel” includes boots and shoes.

10. Clause 15 (page 7), line 40, after "preparing" insert "or manufacturing."
11. " " line 42, after "furniture" insert "or for bread making or baking."
12. " (page 8), line 9, after "preparing" insert "or manufacturing."
13. " line 14, omit "a."
14. " line 37, before "rate" insert "price or."
15. " (page 9), line 14, omit "other than an."
16. " " line 19, after "section" insert "or who is guilty of a contravention of any of the provisions of this section."
17. " " line 30, after "Board" insert "shall be signed by the chairman thereof and published in the *Government Gazette* and."
18. " " line 42, after "aforesaid" insert "(12) The production before any court judge or justices of a copy of the *Government Gazette* containing the determination of any special Board shall be evidence until the contrary be proved of the due making and existence of such determination and of the due appointment of such Board and of all preliminary steps necessary to the making of such determination."
19. Clause 19, line 42, after "work-room" insert "room or place."
20. Clause 21, omit this clause and substitute—
  - B. For section thirty of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following section, namely:—
    30. (1) Except as in this section provided no person shall employ or authorize or permit to be employed in any factory or work-room any person under the age of sixteen years or any woman or girl for more than forty-eight hours in any one week or for more than ten hours in any one day or later than nine o'clock in the evening.
    - (2) In order to meet an unforeseen press of work any occupier of a factory or work-room may employ any boy under sixteen years of age or any girl over sixteen years of age or any woman for not more than fifty-four hours in one week subject to the following conditions:—
      - (a) The ordinary daily hours of work shall not be exceeded on more than one day in any one week.
      - (b) The ordinary daily hours of work shall not be exceeded on more than ten days in any period of twelve calendar months.
      - (c) Notice of having availed himself of the provisions of this sub-section shall be given by the occupier of such factory or work-room to the Chief Inspector within twenty-four hours after the commencement of such extra working and a copy thereof shall be affixed in the factory or work-room within such period. The notice to the Chief Inspector shall be accompanied by a full statement signed by such occupier of the facts on which the occupier relies that such working was *bonâ fide* for the purpose of meeting an unforeseen press of work.
      - (d) The occupier of the factory or work-room shall keep a record of every day and week in which he avails himself of the provisions of this sub-section and a copy of such record for twelve months back shall be kept constantly affixed in legible characters in some conspicuous place where it may be easily read by the persons employed in the factory or work-room.
      - (e) Payment for overtime and tea money shall be made for each day on which the occupier of a factory or work-room avails himself of the provisions of this sub-section at the rate prescribed in the Schedule to this Act.
      - (f) No such boy girl or woman shall be so employed without his or her consent.
      - (g) If the Chief Secretary is not satisfied that such working was *bonâ fide* for the purpose of meeting an unforeseen press of work he shall give notice in writing of such dissatisfaction to such occupier, and unless the occupier of such factory or work-room within one month from such notice proves to the satisfaction of the Chief Secretary that such working was *bonâ fide* for such purpose the Chief Secretary shall direct the Chief Inspector to make a record that such working was not *bonâ fide* for such purpose.
      - (h) If the Chief Secretary directs such record to be made in regard to any occupier of a factory or work-room three times within any period of twelve calendar months such occupier shall not thereafter at any time be entitled to avail himself of the provisions of this sub-section.
    - (3) If any person offends against the provisions of this section he shall for each and every contravention of this section be liable on conviction to a penalty for the first offence of not more than Five pounds and for any subsequent offence of not less than Two pounds or more than Twenty pounds.
    - (4) In order to meet the exigencies of trade the Minister after due inquiry and on payment of the prescribed fee may if he thinks fit from time to time by a notification under his hand published in the *Government Gazette* suspend the operation of this section in any one or more factories or work-rooms or in all factories or work-rooms of a particular description or for any particular trade or for any particular purpose of any particular trade. No such suspension shall have any force or effect for more than two months from the date of such notification, and in the event of any breach of the conditions of such suspension the same may at any time be revoked by the Minister by a notification under his hand posted to the occupier of the factory or work-room affected thereby and also published in the *Government Gazette*.
21. Clause 28, line 12, after "part" insert "thereof."
22. Clause 31, line 10, after "engine-driver" insert "or boiler attendant."
23. " line 13, after "engine-driver" insert "or boiler attendant."
24. Clause 45, line 35, after "or" insert "on."

25. Clause 49, line 31, after "may" insert "by a notice under his hand published in the *Government Gazette*."
26. Clause 53, line 5, omit "offender against," substitute "person for contravening."
27. Clause 54, line 12, after "Acts" insert "and regulations thereunder."
28. Clause 59, line 22, omit "eight hundred and ninety-nine," substitute "nine hundred."

## SCHEDULE.

29. In third line omit "the Chief Secretary of Victoria."
30. In fourth line before "Acts" insert "Factories and Shops."
31. In fifth and sixth lines omit "Principal Act and of section twenty-four of," substitute "*Factories and Shops Act 1890 as re-enacted by*."
32. In eleventh line after "females" omit "and," substitute "or more than."
33. In eighteenth line before "per week" insert "respectively."
34. After last word "Chief Secretary" insert "or responsible Minister (*as the case may be*)."

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

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

5. **TREASURY DEPOSITS INTEREST BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. **YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Taverner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Taverner, read a third time.  
On the motion of Mr. Taverner, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—  
Clause 3, at end of clause add—"for the purposes of this Act."  
Clause 15, line 4, omit "five" and insert "ten."  
Clause 17, line 32, after "may" insert "without prejudice to any other borrowing powers."  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. **EXPORTED PRODUCTS BILL.**—Mr. Taverner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the inspection of live stock, meat, dairy produce, and fruit intended for export and to regulate the exportation thereof.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Taverner and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Taverner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Live Stock Meat Dairy Produce and Fruit intended for Export and to regulate the Exportation thereof*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.



10. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Customs Act 1890* and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Customs Act 1890' and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

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TUESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a return to the Writ he had issued for the election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Villiers and Heytesbury, by which it appeared that John Neil McArthur, grazier, Caramut, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
3. MEMBER SWORN.—John Neil McArthur, Esquire, was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
4. ALFRED GODDARD.—Mr. T. Smith moved, by leave, That the following Members be appointed the members of the Select Committee to inquire into and report upon the case of Alfred Goddard, late a sorter in the General Post Office, viz.:—Mr. Burton, Mr. Graham, Mr. Irvine, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Styles, and Mr. E. D. Williams, and that the Committee have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Sir John McIntyre moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Thursday next.
6. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the words "and in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria shall also include persons being or acting as directors of or in relation to the business of the company in Victoria" be inserted after the word "board," in clause 2, page 2, line 7.

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 48.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Murray.

*Tellers.*

Noes, 27.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McColl,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 2, page 2, line 11, after "styled" insert "and also the public officer of a company or society within the meaning of Subdivision 2 of Division III. of this Act."

"Mining company" means any mining company under Part II. of the Principal Act."

Clause 10, line 35, after "shall" insert "subject to the right of redemption hereinafter contained be."

„ line 36, omit "be."

Clause 15, line 3, omit "or" and insert "the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon"; omit "previous to that."

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That sub-sections (1) and (2) of clause 21 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the following new sub-sections be inserted in clause 21, in place of the sub-sections omitted, viz. :—

(1) A company limited by shares shall not commence business or exercise any borrowing powers unless and until one-half of the shares shall have been subscribed for and one-fourth of the subscribed capital shall have been actually paid up in money and statutory declarations made by the manager and not less than two directors shall have been filed with the Registrar-General verifying such subscription and such payment and setting forth—

- (a) the number of shares in the company and the amount of each share ;
- (b) the amount paid up per share ;
- (c) the number of shares subscribed for ;
- (d) the names addresses and occupations of the shareholders ; and
- (e) the number of shares held by each shareholder and the whole amount paid up.

(2) The Registrar-General shall on the filing of the said statutory declarations certify that the company is entitled to commence business, and such certificate shall be conclusive evidence that the company has complied with the provisions of this section.

(3) Nothing in this section shall prevent any company from paying or contracting to pay any preliminary expenses, but any other contract made by a company before the date on which it is entitled to commence business shall be provisional only and shall not be binding on the company unless adopted by the company after that date.

(4) If any company commences business or exercises borrowing powers in contravention of this section every director and manager who is a party to the contravention shall without prejudice to any other liability be liable to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds for every day during which the contravention continues.

Mr. Higgins moved, That the proposed amendment be amended by omitting the words "or exercise any borrowing powers," in lines 1 and 2.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. Carter moved, That the proposed amendment be amended by omitting the word "one-half," in line 2, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "one-third."

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment—put and negatived.

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted in place of the word omitted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Higgins moved, That the proposed amendment be further amended by omitting sub-section (3) therefrom.

Debate ensued.

Question—That sub-section (3) proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment—put. The House divided.

Ayes, 71.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Lazarus.

Noes, 9.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Deakin,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Rawson,	
Mr. R. Murray Smith,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Thomson,	Mr. Higgins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That new sub-sections (1), (2), (3), and (4), as amended, be inserted in clause 21 in place of sub-sections (1) and (2) omitted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 21, line 32, omit "(3) sub-section (1) of" and insert "(5)."

Mr. Fink moved, That the following words be added to the last sub-section of clause 21, viz. :—

(c) Nor to any company incorporated by any firm person or persons for the purpose of acquiring the business and assets of such firm person or persons where such firm person or persons together with such additional number of subscribers as shall be necessary to procure the registration of the company subscribe for all the shares in any company, and where it is provided by the memorandum of association that no shares in such company may be offered for public sale on or before incorporation or within twelve months after incorporation: Provided that if any shares in such company are offered for public sale by or on their behalf on or before incorporation or within twelve months thereafter, then the certificate of incorporation shall be deemed to have been obtained by fraud within the meaning of section one hundred and seventeen of this Act.

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.

*Tellers.*

Noes, 47.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. McLean,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

Clause 24, line 26, omit "thirty-first day of" and insert "last Monday in."

" line 47, after "aforesaid" insert "by not less than two of the directors if any residing in Victoria."

Clause 25, page 8, line 8, after "(1)" insert "Every company and"; omit "of every company" and insert "thereof."

" line 27, omit "statement" and insert "balance-sheet."

" line 46, omit "and showing the amount of such deduction."

" line 47, after "assets" insert "other than debts due to the company."

" page 9, line 6, omit "(2A) The shareholders' balance-sheet shall show" and insert "(f)."

" line 14, at end of clause add the following new sub-section :—

(4) In the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria and not having its head or principal office within Victoria the provisions of this section shall be deemed to be sufficiently complied with if the company the directors and manager thereof cause to be kept proper books of account of the company's Victorian affairs transactions business and property and if the manager of the company once at least in each year and at intervals of not more than fifteen months files with the Registrar-General a true copy signed by such manager of the latest general balance-sheet of the company prepared prior to such filing and if such balance-sheet and the return hereinafter provided for are posted up and kept posted up in like manner as hereinbefore provided and if the manager of the company files with the Registrar-General with such copy of the latest general balance-sheet a return signed by such manager and showing all the information required by sub-section (2) of this section unless such information is shown in the balance-sheet.

Clause 26, lines 34-5, omit "an extraordinary" and insert "a."

" line 35, after "company" insert "passed at a general meeting of which at least fourteen days' notice has been given, such notice to state explicitly the nature of the said resolution to be proposed."

" at end of clause add the following new sub-section :—

(4) This section shall not come into operation until six months after the passing of this Act.

Mr. Cook moved, That the words "except any company carrying on business as a banker or as a trustee company or any company receiving money on deposit" be inserted after the word "shall," in clause 31, line 26.

Debate ensued.

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



## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RUPANYUP TO MARNOO RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Railway from Rupanyup to Marnoo; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 4).—Mr. Turner moved, by leave, That the Order of the House making the second reading of the Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 4) an Order of the Day for Wednesday, 5th August next, be read and rescinded, and that the second reading of the Bill be made an Order for this day.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
The said Order was thereupon read and rescinded, and the Bill ordered to be read a second time this day.
4. RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The number of men on daily pay in the different sections of the Railway Service who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per day, specifying each section.
  2. The number of men on annual salary who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per day, specifying each section.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments after Report having been read—  
On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill:—  
Clause 34, line 31, after “and” insert “shall sign a certificate at the foot of the balance-sheet stating whether or not all their requisitions as auditors including their requisitions with regard to the private balance-sheet hereinafter mentioned have been complied with; and.”  
Clause 35, line 6, after “founded” insert “and showing amongst other things the amount of deduction (if any) for debts considered to be bad or doubtful.”  
Mr. Irvine moved, That the words “court may at any time if it think fit,” in clause 37, line 43, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “Governor in Council shall.”  
Debate ensued.  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted be so omitted—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Cook,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

Tellers.

Noes, 43.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. McLean,	
Mr. Murray,	

Tellers.

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Wilkins.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

Clause 37, line 44, omit "one-fortieth" and insert "one-twentieth."  
 ,, line 46, omit "one-fortieth" and insert "one-twentieth."

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

Clause 37, line 46, after "value" insert "and upon proof that an application in writing by such members or creditors to the directors for a special audit by an auditor or auditors to be appointed by the court has not been granted within fourteen days from the date of such application."

Mr. Higgins moved, That clause 37 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That clause 37 proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 47.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Duffy,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Gray.

Noes, 32.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Zox.
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Lazarus

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 44, at end of sub-section (5) add—

"or shall prevent any company from lending money or making advances or allowing discounts upon the security or pledge of its own debentures or debenture stock where by any scheme of compromise or arrangement heretofore sanctioned by the court or declared by any Act of Parliament to be valid and binding such loan or advance or discount is expressly permitted."

Clause 44, sub-section (6), after "to" insert "the borrowing shares of."

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, by leave, offered the following clause to be added to the Bill :—

(1) No banking company and no director or manager thereof on behalf of such company shall directly or indirectly make or grant any advance or discount to or for the benefit of any director manager officer or auditor of such company or any firm of which he is a member, nor shall any director manager officer or auditor of any banking company directly or indirectly obtain from such company for himself or any firm of which he is a member or for the benefit of himself or such firm any advance or discount. Company not to grant advances or discounts to directors or officers &c.

(2) Every director manager officer or auditor or person who knowingly contravenes or is knowingly a party to any contravention of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanour. Misdemeanour.

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

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

Clause 45, lines 10, 19, 26, omit "aggregate" in three places and insert "maximum."

Clause 47, page 17, line 3, after "shall" insert "without prejudice to any other liability."

Clause 48, line 21, add the following new sub-section :—

(2) Where shares are issued at a premium such premium when actually received by the company in money shall if the shareholders by extraordinary resolution so declare be deemed to be profits arising from the business of the company.

Clause 50, line 36, after "part" insert "nor shall any such words be or be deemed to be part."

,, line 38, omit "and fifty."

,, lines 38 and 39, omit "one hundred and twenty-five" and insert "seventy-five."

Clause 69, line 40, after "society" insert "and shall be called the public officer of the company or society."



- Clause 69, page 27, line 3, add the following new sub-sections :—
  - (2) Every such public officer as aforesaid shall be answerable for the doing of all such acts matters and things as are required to be done by such company or society by virtue of this Act, and shall unless he prove some reasonable excuse be personally liable to all penalties imposed on such company or society for any contravention of any of the provisions of this Act.
  - (3) A company or society formed and incorporated in any country or colony other than Victoria, and not carrying on in Victoria by an agent any business other than selling goods wares or merchandise, shall not be required to do any of the acts matters and things prescribed in this Act except such as are required by this subdivision.
- Clause 98, line 41, after "or directors" insert "and in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria shall also include persons being or acting as directors of or in relation to the business of the company in Victoria."
- Clause 110, line 44, omit "to" and insert "shall any person be deemed to contravene the provisions of such sub-section by reason only of his participating as a shareholder in an incorporated company consisting of more than twenty persons in the profits of."
- " line 45, omit "any" and insert "such"; and omit "consisting of more than twenty persons."
- Clause 112, line 31, at end of clause add—"Provided however that no liability by this sub-section imposed on any person as a director shall on the death of any such person extend or pass to his executors or administrators, nor shall the estate of any such person after his decease be made liable under this sub-section."
- Clause 118, page 45, line 5, after "purpose" insert "or in wilful violation of the provisions of the Companies Acts."

Mr. Murray, by leave, offered the following clause to be added to the Bill :—

- (1) No director of any company shall under any circumstances whatever directly or indirectly be or act as the paid or remunerated agent of the company or any person on its behalf, or make any arrangement to receive or accept from the company or any barrister and solicitor or auctioneer or any person whatever any commission discount share of commission or discount gift or any gift whatever for or in respect of the business of the company or any contract express or implied which may be made in connexion with the business of the company.
- (2) Any person who contravenes this section shall be liable to a penalty of double the amount directly or indirectly received or accepted or arranged to be received or accepted in contravention thereof.
- (3) Nothing herein contained shall prevent any director receiving from the company his fee or salary as such director or managing director.
- (4) This section shall not apply to any payment for services rendered to the company where the payment has been authorized by a special resolution of the company prior thereto, and where the notice of the meeting at which such resolution is passed contains full particulars of such proposed payment.

"Full particulars" in this sub-section mean such particulars of the nature and effect of such services and payment as are material to be made known to enable a judgment to be formed as to the expediency of the company assenting to such payment.

And, after debate, the said clause was read a second time and added to the Bill.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for giving precedence to Government Business on Wednesday be suspended for this evening, in order to enable the consideration of the amendments after Report of the Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill to be proceeded with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, by leave, offered the following clause to be added to the Bill :—  
 No company shall be deemed to be carrying on business within the meaning of this Act by reason only of its investing its funds or other property in Victoria.  
 And the said clause was read a second time and added to the Bill.

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

Third Schedule—Omit this Schedule and insert the following new Schedule :—

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Companies Act 1896.

FORM A.

STATEMENT OF THE BANKING COMPANY STYLED THE DAY OF MARCH, 189 FOR MONDAY

(1) I [manager or public officer or by whatever designation the principal officer is styled] do solemnly and sincerely declare—  
 That the liability of the members is [limited, or as the case may be].  
 That the capital of the company is £ divided into shares  
 of each of which £ per share amounting in all to  
 £ is actually paid up in money.  
 That the number of shares issued [or amount of stock] is [of which  
 shares are paid up and shares are contributing].  
 That calls to the amount of per share have been made amounting to  
 £ under which the sum of £ has been actually and  
*bonâ fide* received in money.

## (2) Statement of assets and liabilities of the above-mentioned bank in Australia, New Zealand, and Tasmania :—

That the assets of the bank on Monday the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 189  
amounted to £ \_\_\_\_\_ and were as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
1. Government, municipal, and other public stocks, debentures, and funds ... ..	...	...	...
2. Coined gold and silver and other coined metal ... ..	...	...	...
3. Gold and silver in bullion or bars ... ..	...	...	...
4. Notes and bills of other banks ... ..	...	...	...
5. Balances due from other banks ... ..	...	...	...
6. Cash at bankers ... ..	...	...	...
7. Real estate, consisting of—			
(a) Bank premises, value ... ..	£		
(b) Other real estate, value ... ..	£		
	£		
8. Shares in other companies ... ..	...	...	...
9. Advances—Exclusive of bad debts ... ..	...	...	...
10. Bills of exchange and promissory notes discounted not included above, exclusive of bad debts ... ..	...	...	...
11. Money due to bank other than as above mentioned, exclusive of bad debts ... ..	...	...	...
12. Liabilities of customers and others in respect of contingent liabilities, as per contra ... ..	...	...	...
	£		

That the liabilities of the bank on Monday the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March,  
189 \_\_\_\_\_ amounted to £ \_\_\_\_\_, and were as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
1. Government Deposits—			
Not bearing interest ... ..	...	...	...
Bearing interest ... ..	...	...	...
2. Other Deposit—			
Not bearing interest ... ..	...	...	...
Bearing interest ... ..	...	...	...
3. Notes in circulation ... ..	...	...	...
4. Bills in circulation ... ..	...	...	...
5. Debentures or debenture stock outstanding ... ..	...	...	...
6. Balances due to other banks ... ..	...	...	...
7. Debts due on judgment ... ..	...	...	...
8. Debts due and secured otherwise than by debenture or debenture stock ... ..	...	...	...
9. Amounts due on contracts not included in any of the above-mentioned items ... ..	...	...	...
10. Any other liabilities ... ..	...	...	...
11. Contingent liabilities as per contra ... ..	...	...	...

(3) Capital actually paid up in money £

(4) Reserve fund and accumulated profits [*specifying the actual amounts and particulars of the items of investments thereof*].

(5) Names, addresses, and occupations of the persons who are the directors of the company at the date of the statement.

I \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am [*state official position in company*].

And that the above statement is to the best of my belief and knowledge true in every particular. And I make, &c.

Declared, &c.

A.B.

J.P.

CERTIFICATE BY DIRECTORS.

We, A.B., of \_\_\_\_\_ and C.D., \_\_\_\_\_ being two of the directors of the \_\_\_\_\_ banking company, do hereby certify that in our opinion the above statement is correct.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 189 .

A.B.  
C.D.

Witness—E.F.

Companies Act 1896.

FORM B.

STATEMENT OF THE COMPANY OR SOCIETY (NOT BEING A BANKING COMPANY) FOR MONDAY THE DAY OF MARCH, 189

(1) I [manager or public officer or by whatever designation the principal officer is styled] do solemnly and sincerely declare—

That the liability of the members is [limited, or as the case may be].
That the capital of the company is divided into shares of each of which £ per share amounting in all to £ is actually paid up in money.
That the number of shares issued is [of which shares are paid up and shares are contributing].
That calls to the amount of £ per share have been made amounting to £ under which the sum of £ has been actually and bonâ fide received in money.

(2) Statement of assets and liabilities of company:—
That the assets of the company on Monday the day of March, 189 amounted to £ and were as follows:—

- 1. Government or municipal securities [stating the same].
2. Real estate. Value £
3. Shares of other companies [specifying same]. Value £
4. Cash in hand and at bankers £
5. Money lent on mortgage £
6. Money lent on other security [specifying nature of security] £
7. Money lent without security £
8. Debts due to company other than as above mentioned £
9. Bills of exchange and promissory notes not included in any of the above-mentioned items £

That the liabilities of the company on Monday the day of March, 189 amounted to £ and were as follows:—

- 1. Debts owing to depositors on money deposited at interest £
2. Money owing on open accounts £
3. Debts due to bankers £
4. Debts due on judgment £
5. Debts due on mortgage not already included in this statement £
6. Amounts due on notes or bills not included in any previous item £
7. Amount due on simple contracts not included in any of the above-mentioned items £
8. Contingent and other liabilities arising otherwise than in respect of any of the above-mentioned items £

(3) Capital and reserve £
Reserved fund and accumulated profits [specifying the actual amounts and particulars of the items of investments thereof].

(4) Names, addresses, and occupations of the persons who are the directors of the company at the date of the statement.

I of do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am [state official position in company].

And that the above statement is to the best of my belief and knowledge true in every particular. And I make, &c.

Declared, &c.
A.B. J.P.

CERTIFICATE BY DIRECTORS.

We, A.B., of and C.D., of being two of the directors of the company [or society] do hereby certify that in our opinion the above statement is correct.

Dated at this day of 189
A.B.
C.D.

Witness—E.F.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the payment of Interest on certain Deposits in the Treasury" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st July, 1896.

8. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day were read and discharged :—

*Licensing Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
*Free Gardeners of Australasia Land Bill—Second reading.*

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of the following Order of the Day :—

*Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 4)—Second reading.*

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4).—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Graves moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY, 1896.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive and Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 5th August next.

Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 7 and 11 be postponed until Wednesday, 2nd September next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

THURSDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—
- BRASSEY,  
*Governor.* *Message No. 3.*
- The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of Parliaments, viz.:—
- “ An Act to authorize the payment of Interest on certain Deposits in the Treasury.”*
- Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 22nd July, 1896.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Department of Public Health.—Report of the Board of Public Health for the years 1892–5 to the Minister of Health.
- Ordered to lie on the Table.
- The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
- Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—  
Victorian Military Forces—Addition to Regulations.  
Victorian Naval and Military Forces—Revised Financial and Store Regulations.  
Volunteer Cadet Corps—Alteration of Regulations.
4. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a line of railway should be constructed from Rupanyup to Banyena.
- Debate ensued.
- Mr. Irvine moved, as an amendment, That the words “ provided it can be constructed at a cost not exceeding £1,700 per mile ” be added to the motion.
- Debate continued.
- Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.
- The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 32.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Cook.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Barrett moved, as a further amendment, That the words "and that it be constructed on the butty-gang system" be added to the motion as amended.

Debate further continued.

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

Question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that a line of railway should be constructed from Rupunuyup to Banyena, provided it can be constructed at a cost not exceeding £1,700 per mile, and that it be constructed on the butty-gang system—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of the Notice of Motion, General Business.

6. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Madden moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Crimes Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Madden and Mr. Beazley do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Madden then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Crimes 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 Wednesday, 2nd September next.

7. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report—

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Clause 24, page 8, line 24, after "Victoria" insert "or if there be only one director residing in Victoria then by such director."

Clause 37, line 19, after "has" insert "either been consented to in writing by the directors or has."

Third Schedule, page 68, line 30, omit "Deposit" and insert "Deposits."

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

8. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at three o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1896.

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

1896.

VICTORIA.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1895-6.

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.**Message No. 4.*

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1895-6, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 28th July, 1896.

1896.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 1897.BRASSEY,  
*Governor.**Message No. 5.*

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1896-7, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 28th July, 1896.

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

3. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Mason also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

(700 copies.)

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

*Resolved*—That a sum not exceeding £1,168,796 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1896-7, viz.:—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council ... ..	335
2. Legislative Assembly ... ..	2,450
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways ... ..	100
4. Victorian Parliamentary Debates ... ..	860
5. The Library ... ..	628
6. Refreshment Rooms ... ..	300
7. Parliament Gardens ... ..	125
8. Administrative and Scientific ... ..	5,245
9. Government Statist ... ..	2,726
10. Police ... ..	65,180
11. Penal Establishments and Gaols ... ..	12,945
12. Hospitals for the Insane ... ..	25,050
13. Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools ... ..	11,380
14. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery ... ..	3,776
15. Government Shorthand Writer ... ..	516
16. Audit Office and Public Service Board ... ..	2,406
17. Aborigines ... ..	1,205
18. Exhibitions ... ..	315
19. Grants ... ..	1,040
20. Miscellaneous ... ..	6,831
21. Education ... ..	6,531
22. Do. ... ..	122,200
23. Melbourne University ... ..	813
24. Technical Schools ... ..	3,000
25. Miscellaneous ... ..	890
26. Supreme Court ... ..	954
27. Law Officers of the Crown ... ..	3,993
28. Crown Solicitor ... ..	1,325
29. Prothonotary ... ..	496
30. Master in Equity and Lunacy ... ..	1,113
31. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles ... ..	6,037
32. Patents ... ..	582
33. Sheriff ... ..	4,844
34. County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions ... ..	4,688
35. Police Magistrates and Wardens ... ..	3,647
36. Clerks of Courts ... ..	4,800
37. Coroners ... ..	2,272
38. Treasury ... ..	6,355
39. Income Tax ... ..	2,550
40. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons ... ..	360
41. Government Printer ... ..	15,530
42. Advertising ... ..	1,200
43. Grant to Charitable Institutions ... ..	25,000
44. Transport, &c. ... ..	500
45. Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure ... ..	1,000
46. Miscellaneous ... ..	20
47. Advance to Treasurer ... ..	150,000
48. Defence ... ..	42,460
49. Survey, Sale, and Management of Crown Lands ... ..	12,150
50. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves ... ..	863
51. Botanical and Domain Gardens ... ..	1,636
52. Expenses of carrying out the Land Tax Act ... ..	210
53. Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals ... ..	3,610
54. State Forests and Nurseries ... ..	2,730
55. Village Settlements and Labour Colonies ... ..	6,000
56. Miscellaneous ... ..	470
57. Public Works ... ..	7,289
58. Miscellaneous ... ..	170
59. Works and Buildings ... ..	27,900
60. Defence Works and Buildings ... ..	3,000
61. Road Works and Bridges ... ..	6,000
62. Trade and Customs ... ..	14,366
63. Ports and Harbors, Mercantile, Marine, and Fisheries ... ..	7,053
64. Distilleries, Excise, and Explosives... ..	2,625
65. Marine Board ... ..	872
66. Miscellaneous ... ..	292
67. Post and Telegraph Offices ... ..	89,750
68. Telegraph Lines ... ..	2,750
69. Mail Service ... ..	25,000
70. Miscellaneous ... ..	100



Division No.	£
71. Mines and Water Supply ... ..	7,537
72. Prospecting for Gold and Coal . . . . .	3,000
73. Waterworks in Country Districts ... ..	400
74. Coliban, Geelong, and National Works . . . . .	4,500
75. Miscellaneous ... ..	4,700
76. Agriculture and Industries ... ..	1,115
77. Experimental Cultivation ... ..	50
78. Vine Diseases Eradication ... ..	3,500
79. Scab Prevention and Diseases in Stock . . . . .	1,227
80. Grants... ..	4,000
81. Public Health ... ..	3,760
82. Victorian Railways ... ..	360,000
83. Miscellaneous ... ..	1,708
84. Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway, Interest . . . . .	1,890
	£1,168,796

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

5. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
 On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
 Mr. Mason also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—  
*Resolved*—That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1896–7, the sum of £1,168,796 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.  
 And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.  
 Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
7. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million one hundred and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and ninety-six pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 7 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Longmore rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The inexpediency of granting the request of Mr. Lascelles *re* cultivation of Mallee lands."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Longmore moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
And the discussion on the subject not having terminated at the expiration of two hours—  
Mr. Speaker put the question—That the House do now adjourn—which was negatived.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Longmore presented a petition from certain village settlers of Scoresby, Dandenong State Forest, praying that the House will take their case into consideration and grant them some work to enable them to remain on their holdings.  
On the motion of Mr. Longmore, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.  
The petition was read by the Clerk,  
Ordered to lie on the Table,
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million one hundred and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and ninety-six pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven*" without amendment,  
W. A. ZEAL,  
President.  
Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 29th July, 1896,
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—  
BRASSEY,  
Governor. *Message No. 6.*  
The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government House, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of Parliaments, viz.:—  
"An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1890' and for other purposes."  
"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million one hundred and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and ninety-six pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven."  
Government House,  
Melbourne, 28th July, 1896.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st March, 1896.  
Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary for the year 1895.
7. ALFRED GODDARD.—Mr. Graham moved, by leave, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Alfred Goddard be empowered to hear counsel in the inquiry on behalf of Alfred Goddard and of the Post Office and Telegraph Department,  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4).—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Graves moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Burton moved, That the words “or done work for,” in clause 2, line 13, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 51.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendment in this Bill:—  
Clause B, line 23, after “municipality” insert “under the provisions of the Vermin Destruction Acts.”

Mr. Irvine moved, That all the words after “purposes,” in clause B, line 24, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Kerr,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Graves,	
Mr. Harris,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Moule,	Mr. Cook.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Beazley,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Cook.

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

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until this day.
10. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until this day.
12. **COMPLAINT AGAINST CERTAIN HONORARY MAGISTRATES.**—Mr. Beazley moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Bennett, That there be laid before this House a copy of the correspondence in 1889 and 1896 between the Crown Law Department and Dr. Stewart, of South Melbourne, in reference to certain honorary magistrates making use of their position as councillors in cancelling sentences. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **THE "TICK" PEST.**—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House, in view of the urgency of the case, prompt action ought to be taken to issue a Proclamation, similar to the one issued by the Government of Tasmania, prohibiting the importation of Queensland hides into Victoria, in order to prevent the introduction of the "tick" pest.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

## Ayes, 12.

Mr. Dyer,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Staughton.
Mr. Graves,	
Mr. Harris,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. O'Neill.

## Noes, 60.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Chirside,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Cook.

And so it passed in the negative.

14. **SALE OF MANURE BILL.**—Mr. Madden moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale of manure.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Madden and Mr. Austin do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Madden then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to Regulate the Sale of Manure,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 19th August next.
15. **OVERTIME WORK IN THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.**—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount due to the employés of the Victorian Railways Service for overtime, including Sunday work, for the year ending 30th June, 1896, which, by the late Commissioners' orders, must be paid for, or time equivalent granted as leave of absence with full pay; and approximately the amount now which will have to be recouped in this respect under the management of Mr. Commissioner Mathieson.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Reduction of Floods in the River Yarra Yarra within the cities of Melbourne Richmond and Prahran and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 29th July, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

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

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

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

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

Mr. Graham 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.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

20. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

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THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—  
Complaint against certain Honorary Magistrates.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 29th July, 1896, for a copy of the correspondence in 1889 and 1896 between the Crown Law Department and Dr. Stewart, of South Melbourne, in reference to certain honorary magistrates making use of their position as councillors in cancelling sentences.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. BUTTER EXPORTED TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—Mr. Graham moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of a letter, dated the 13th July instant, received by the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture from the Bureau of Agriculture, Western Australia, enclosing a copy of the Analyst's report on adulterated butter alleged to have been imported into that colony from Victoria, and also enclosing a list giving the names of manufacturers and shippers corresponding with the numbers used in the Analyst's report.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Taverner presented—  
Butter Exported to Western Australia.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Rupanyup to Banyena.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. H. R. Williams and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. H. R. Williams then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of Railway from Rupanyup to Banyena,*" 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. WAYS AND MEANS.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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4. YARRA RIVER FLOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, line 14, omit "so much of."
2. " lines 15-16, omit "as the Governor in Council pursuant to this Act shall by Order vest in the Board," substitute "between the east side of Prince's-bridge and Church-street bridge."
3. Clause 3, lines 6-7 (page 2), omit "for the purposes," substitute "only for the purpose of carrying out the objects."
4. Clause 4, lines 10-11, omit "to a width of not less than three hundred feet."
5. Clause 11, line 37, omit "one," substitute "two."
6. " line 38, after "of" insert "either bank of."
7. Clause 13, line 34, omit "taken," substitute "purchased."
8. Clause 15, line 4, omit "ten," substitute "five."
9. Insert the following new clauses :—

A. In estimating the purchase money or compensation to be paid to any person for or in respect of any land purchased pursuant to this Act regard shall be had by the magistrates arbitrators valuers or jury as the case may be to the enhancement in value of any adjoining lands belonging to such person by reason of the works authorized by this Act, and a reduction shall be made accordingly from the amount which but for that provision would have been paid or payable as purchase money.

B. Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained any public road constructed by the Board pursuant to this Act shall to the extent included in any municipal district be deemed to belong to the municipality of such district, and after such construction shall be controlled and maintained by such municipality.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendments 1 to 7 agreed to.

Amendment 8 disagreed with.

Amendment 9 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Deakin presented a petition from John Robertson, M.A., of Moonee Ponds, praying for reform in the currency law.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—Mr. Best presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Settlement on Lands Act 1893.—Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of—during the financial year ended 30th June, 1896.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Reduction of Floods in the River Yarra Yarra within the Cities of Melbourne Richmond and Prahran and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 4th August, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Clause 15, line 4, omit "ten," substitute "five." } Disagreed with by the Assembly, and  
insisted on by the Council.

Mr. Taverner moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with this amendment.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the said amendment.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Seeds and to regulate the Sale of Seeds Trees Shrubs and Vines,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 4th August, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Clause 3, line 8, omit "demanded" and insert "ordered."

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

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

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. E. D. Williams presented a petition from certain ratepayers of the Borough of Castlemaine, and employés of Messrs. Thompson and Co., of the Castlemaine Foundry, praying that the House will extend the hours of polling at municipal elections.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—
  - Overtime Work in the Railway Department.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 29th July, 1896, for a return showing the amount due to the employés of the Victorian Railways Service for overtime, including Sunday work, for the year ending 30th June, 1896, which, by the late Commissioners' orders, must be paid for, or time equivalent granted as leave of absence with full pay; and approximately the amount now which will have to be recouped in this respect under the management of Mr. Commissioner Mathieson.
  - Railway Employés.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 22nd July, 1896, for a return showing—
    1. The number of men on daily pay in the different sections of the Railway Service who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per day, specifying each section.
    2. The number of men on annual salary who are receiving at the rate of 6s. 6d. per day, specifying each section.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
 The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
  - Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—
  - Victorian Military Forces.—Alteration of Dress Regulations.
  - Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.
4. WHEAT AND FLOUR EXPORTED AND IMPORTED.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Webb, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The quantity of wheat and flour exported and again, under bond regulation, imported during the last six months.
  2. The dates and number of firms or persons exporting and importing same.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 1.
6. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL.—Mr. J. Anderson moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to give to all ratepayers the right to vote at all elections for the City Council of Melbourne.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. Bromley, and Mr. Beazley do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. J. Anderson then brought up a Bill intitled "*A Bill to give to all ratepayers the right to vote at all elections for the City Council of Melbourne,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 19th August instant.
7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 5th August, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Wednesday, 16th September next.

Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 19th August instant.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

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 THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
 Land Acts.—Regulations under the *Mallee Lands Act* 1896.—Order in Council.
3. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1896.

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

BRASSEY,

*Governor.**Message No. 7.*

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

*“An Act to provide for the Reduction of Floods in the River Yarra Yarra within the Cities of Melbourne Richmond and Prahran and for other purposes.”*

*“An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Seeds and to regulate the Sale of Seeds Trees Shrubs and Vines.”*

Government House,  
Melbourne, 6th August, 1896.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Best presented—
  - Wheat and Flour Exported and Imported.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 5th August, 1896, for a return showing—
    1. The quantity of wheat and flour exported and again, under bond regulation, imported during the last six months.
    2. The dates and number of firms or persons exporting and importing same.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

  - Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Report of the Council of Defence for 1895–6.
  - Explosives Act 1890.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Commissioner for Trade and Customs, on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1895.
  - Mines Acts.—Regulations relating to Mining Leases.—Order in Council.
  - Water Act 1890—
    - Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
    - Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Divisions.—Order in Council.- 4. RAILWAYS CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE BUTTY-GANG SYSTEM.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The names of the railway lines constructed under the butty-gang system.
  2. The length of each line and total length of all those constructed.
  3. The Engineer's estimate of cost of each line.
  4. The actual cost of each line, showing the principal headings and total cost of all the lines.
  5. The cost of supervision, including the salaries of construction engineers and inspectors.
  6. The average wages paid.
  7. The total number of men employed on each line.
  8. The time occupied in the construction of each line.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 11th August, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

1. Clause 2, line 9, omit all the words after "1890" to the end of the clause and insert—"the following words shall be added at the end of the section :—'Provided that the Governor in Council on receiving a petition from the council of any borough or shire praying that the time for closing the poll be any hour not later than seven o'clock in the afternoon may by order in the *Government Gazette* declare that the hour so requested be the time for closing the poll in such borough or shire, and thereafter until altered by the Governor in Council on receipt of a further petition from such council such hour shall be the time for closing the poll in such borough or shire, and provided however that in the case of the metropolitan area as comprised within the City of Melbourne and the several other municipal districts specified in the Second Schedule to the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1890* except the Borough of Brighton and the Shires of Boroondara and Caulfield the hour of closing the poll shall be seven o'clock in the afternoon.'"

2. Insert the following new clause :—

A. The Governor in Council may on the petition of the council of any borough or shire in the metropolitan area fix the time of closing the poll at any hour between the hours of five and seven o'clock in the afternoon.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Mr. Beazley moved, That amendment No. 1 be amended by omitting the words "Borough of Brighton and the Shires of Boroondara and Caulfield" (lines 12 and 13), with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Shire of Boroondara."

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

And, after further debate, amendments Nos. 1 and 2 were disagreed with.

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 11th August, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Mr. Beazley moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with the said amendments.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the said amendments.

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

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

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WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Downward presented a petition from certain residents of the Korumburra, Jumbunna, and Outtrim districts, praying that the House will assist the coal industry of the colony by imposing a duty on the import of coal.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Prendergast rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The great distress among the unemployed."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
And the discussion on the subject not having terminated at the expiration of two hours—  
Mr. Speaker put the question—That the House do now adjourn—which was negatived.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesday in each week after half-past eight o'clock be suspended this evening for half-an-hour, so as to allow Government Business to be proceeded with until nine o'clock.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
8. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Webb 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, 2nd September next.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—  
 BRASSEY,  
*Governor.* *Message No. 8.*  
 The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—  
 “An Act to further amend the ‘Local Government Act 1890.’”  
 Government Offices,  
 Melbourne, 12th August, 1896.
3. TRADING COMPANIES.—Mr. Burton moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. A list of trading companies in Victoria incorporated since 1886, and the names of the directors of each company, showing which companies have gone into liquidation or otherwise failed to meet their liabilities.
  2. A list of trading companies or similar corporations now carrying on business, and the names of their directors.
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. NARROW-GAUGE RAILWAYS.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of selecting localities for the permanent survey of Narrow-gauge Lines ; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PETITIONS.—Mr. Gurr presented a petition from Robert Keegan, of Geelong, praying that the House will take steps to inquire into the treatment meted out to him whilst acting as constable in the Victorian Police for over 21 years.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
Mr. Fink presented a petition from certain telegraph operators employed in the Postal Department, and classified in the fourth class of the Public Service, praying that the House will take their claims to increments into consideration.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Game Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.  
Legislative Council, Melbourne, 18th August, 1896.  
W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
5. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Game 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.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Licensing Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.  
Legislative Council, Melbourne, 18th August, 1896.  
W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
7. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Licensing 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.

8. RAILWAY COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE NORTHERN SUBURBS AND MELBOURNE.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of providing direct communication between the northern suburbs and Melbourne, by railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 54.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Craven.

Noes, 27.

Mr. A. Anderson,	
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Lewien,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Salmon.
Mr. McLeod,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1896.

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

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until this day.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1896.

- 1 The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
- 2 MARINE BOARD.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of money paid since 1887 for legal advice in connexion with the Marine Board, specifying each year and the payments made to each individual, together with names of the legal advisers.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- 3 PATENT OFFICE EXAMINERS.—Mr. Rogers moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The names of the present Patent Office Examiners, and what diplomas of technical qualification does each possess.
  - 2 What positions under Government each Examiner has previously held.
  3. If any Examiner has reported that he is not in a position to make a reliable expert report as to the novelty of any invention referred to him ; if so, who, on what subject, and on what grounds.
  4. How many complete specifications each Examiner has examined in each of the following twelve subjects in the five years preceding 1896 :—Agriculture, chemistry, textiles, metallurgy, paper and printing, stoves and furnaces, ordnance, arms and explosives, electricity, railways, marine, other engineering, others.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—
 

BRASSEY,  
*Governor.*

( Message No. 9.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 14th August, 1896.

 Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
6. TREASURY BONDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 9, having been read—On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Mason reported from a Committee of the whole House a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
 

*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds.

 And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

7. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds,*” 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.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.  
Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion, No. 1, General Business.
9. **LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3).**—Mr. O'Neill moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. O'Neill and Mr. Sterry do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. O'Neill 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 and ordered to be printed.  
Mr. O'Neill moved, That this Bill be read a second time this day six weeks.  
Mr. Longmore moved, as an amendment, That the word “weeks” be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “months.”  
Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Staughtan,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this Bill be read a second time this day six weeks—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. **EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.

Mr. Moule 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, 16th September next.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 2nd September next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,

*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

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THURSDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Outtrim presented a petition from certain members of the Wesleyan Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavourers, at certain places in the Maryborough Circuit, praying that the House will disagree with the proposal to give bonuses for the development of the wine industry of the colony.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Mines Act 1890, Part I.—Alteration of Regulations relating to Mining Leases.—Order in Council.  
Trade Unions—Tenth Annual Report on.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1895, with an Appendix.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part II.—Interchange.  
Mr. Taverner presented—  
Public Works Department.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th July, 1896, for a return showing—
  1. The number of architects employed in the Public Works Department during the past two years, and the amount of salary paid to each.
  2. The number of draughtsmen employed during the same time, and salaries paid to each.
  3. The number of bridges, public buildings, &c., erected under their supervision during the same period, and total cost of same.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Water Act 1890.—Koondrook and Myall Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Orders in Council—  
Trust constituted.  
Scheme and Plan of Works.  
Regulations for Election of Commissioners.
3. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Graves reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. TREASURY BONDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—  
—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Sir John McIntyre moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "it is not expedient to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds for the works enumerated in this Bill, but this House is of opinion that a sum of £100,000 should be placed on the Estimates for the present financial year in addition to any sums already thereon, for the encouragement of the mining, agricultural, and other producing industries, and such public works as may be approved of by this House."  
Debate ensued.

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

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 47.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Salmon.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

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WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Public Service Board—Report.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—  
Victorian Military Forces—  
Alteration of Regulations.  
Alteration of Dress Regulations.  
Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
TREASURY BONDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Prendergast presented a petition from certain working men, unemployed and in distressed circumstances, being electors and residents of Victoria, praying that the present mode of selecting men for work be departed from, and that consideration be shown and employment immediately given to men irrespective of the districts in which they reside or the date of their registration for work.  
On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended, so as to allow the petition to be read.  
The petition was read by the Clerk.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Royal Commission on Water Supply.—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report as to the financial position and prospects of the various local bodies that have obtained loans from the State for the construction of works of water supply, and as to the position generally of the schemes under the control of those bodies; and to inquire into the financial prospects of the various water supply works carried out by the State as National undertakings, and their suitability for the purposes for which they were designed and constructed, &c., &c., &c.; with Appendices.  
Mr. Foster presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Waterworks Inquiry Board 1893—Report of.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Supreme Court.—Regulæ Generales, dated 25th August, 1896.—Rules for the Admission of Barristers and Solicitors.
4. EXPORT OF PERISHABLE PRODUCTS.—Mr. Styles moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The sums paid during the last financial year in connexion with the perishable products which passed through the Flinders-street Market buildings, viz.:—
    - (a) Amount paid for rent of premises.
    - (b) Amount paid for use of machinery.
    - (c) Amount paid for working machinery.
    - (d) Any other sums paid to the City Corporation.
  2. The average cost per ton for handling, carriage, and other charges (if any) for taking the produce from the market buildings, and delivering it in the vessel's hold.
  3. The number of tons of produce exported through the premises referred to during the last financial year.
  4. The date on which the present arrangement between the Government and the City Corporation terminates.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

(700 copies.)

5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS' ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the Order be discharged.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Deakin, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Moule, Mr. R. Murray Smith, and Mr. Wheeler, with power to call for persons, papers, and records, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time ; three to be the quorum.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Mr. Longmore moved, as an amendment, That the name of Mr. Styles be added after the name of Mr. R. Murray Smith.  
 Debate continued.  
 Question—That the name of Mr. Styles be added after the name of Mr. R. Murray Smith—put and negatived.  
 Question—That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Deakin, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Moule, Mr. R. Murray Smith, and Mr. Wheeler; with power to call for persons, papers, and records, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time ; three to be the quorum—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. TREASURY BONDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

VICTORIA.  
**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**  
 OF THE  
**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Langdon presented a petition from certain ratepayers in the licensing district of Lonsdale, and from certain persons travelling to and from the different colonies of Australasia and from the country districts in Victoria, praying that the House will pass the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council to permit the licence from an inferior house to be transferred to a superior house in the same licensing district.  
 On the motion of Mr. Langdon, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.  
 The petition was read by the Clerk.  
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
 Royal Commission on Water Supply—Minutes of Evidence.  
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. TREASURY BONDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3).—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McGregor moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued  
 Question—put.  
 The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Cook.

Noes, 23.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Moule.
Mr. McArthur,	

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Wednesday, 14th October next.

Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3, 5, and 9 be postponed until Wednesday, 30th September instant.

Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 4 and Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive, and Nos. 10 to 15 inclusive, be postponed until Wednesday, 16th September instant.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Longmore presented a petition from Reginald Green, praying that a Select Committee may be appointed to inquire into the circumstances of his retirement from the police force.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Best presented—  
Marine Board.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 19th August, 1896, for a return showing the amount of money paid since 1887 for legal advice in connexion with the Marine Board, specifying each year and the payments made to each individual, together with names of the legal advisers.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—  
Patent Office Examiners.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 19th August, 1896, for a return showing—
  1. The names of the present Patent Office Examiners, and what diplomas of technical qualification does each possess.
  2. What positions under Government each Examiner has previously held.
  3. If any Examiner has reported that he is not in a position to make a reliable expert report as to the novelty of any invention referred to him ; if so, who, on what subject, and on what grounds.
  4. How many complete specifications each Examiner has examined in each of the following twelve subjects in the five years preceding 1896 :—Agriculture, chemistry, textiles, metallurgy, paper and printing, stoves and furnaces, ordnance, arms and explosives, electricity, railways, marine, other engineering, others.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Land Act 1890.—Part I.—Addition to Regulations.—Order in Council.  
Water Act 1890.—Marquis Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.  
Wattles Act 1890.—Issue of Lease.
4. TREASURY BONDS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.  
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Mason also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. SUPPLY.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1895-6.—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

*Resolved*—That a sum not exceeding £101,019 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1895-6, viz.:—

### I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 1.		
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
To provide an increment to the salary of Mr. E. T. Huber, a 5th class Clerk ... ..	...	7
DIVISION No. 3.		
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.		
Incidental Expenses, including Allowances to Witnesses ... ..	...	100
DIVISION No. 4.		
VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	36	
Type-writing and Reporting Assistance ... ..	690	
		726
DIVISION No. 6.		
REFRESHMENT ROOMS.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Incidental Expenses, including Expenses of Catering ... ..	...	250
DIVISION No. 8.		
ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.		
OBSERVATORY.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Weather Service, Local and Intercolonial (including attendance to Time-ball and Tide-gauge, Williamstown) ... ..	50	
Subdivision No. 11—(Inalterable).		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Contribution towards the Expenses incurred in connexion with the Sixth Session of the Federal Council of Australasia, £348 4s. 4d. ...	349	399
DIVISION No. 9.		
GOVERNMENT STATIST.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Fourth Class Clerks ... ..	...	1
DIVISION No. 10.		
POLICE.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Forage ... ..	...	1,000

		£	£
DIVISION No. 11.			
PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.			
Subdivision No. 2.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
Acting Governor, Pentridge, from 22nd August to 15th October, 1895,			
at £325 10s. per annum ... ..		49	
Arrears ... ..		29	
<i>Read—</i>			
Female Warders—Two at £8 per month, two at £7 10s. per month,			
four at £7 per month, five at £6 10s. per month			
<i>In lieu of—</i>			
Female Warders—Three at £7 10s. per month, two at £7 per month,			
five at £6 10s. per month, three at £6 per month			
			78
DIVISION No. 12.			
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.			
SALARIES.			
Subdivision No. 3.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
Male Warders (Arrears) ... ..		...	6
DIVISION No. 13.			
DEPARTMENT FOR NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.			
Subdivision No. 2.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
Instructors, Boys' Receiving Depôts (short provided) ... ..		1	
Female Instructor, from 1st May to 30th June, 1896 ... ..		13	
			14
DIVISION No. 14.			
PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.			
SALARIES.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
PUBLIC LIBRARY.			
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.			
<i>Read—</i>			
Two Principal Assistants (one from 4th December, 1895) ... ..	Maximum	£	£
		600	621
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
Two 4f Assistants (one to 3rd December, 1895) ... ..		...	397
<i>In lieu of—</i>			
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.			
One Principal Assistant ... ..		600	460
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
Two 4f Assistants ... ..		...	558
			1,018
Subdivision No. 3.			
NATIONAL MUSEUM.			
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>			
Director and Palæontologist, acting also as Zoologist ... ..		...	129
Subdivision No. 4.			
NATIONAL GALLERY.			
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>			
Director of the National Gallery and Master of the School of Art ... ..		...	1
			130

	£	£
DIVISION No. 15.		
GOVERNMENT SHORTHAND WRITER.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Clerical Assistance ... ..	...	60
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DIVISION No. 18.		
EXHIBITIONS.		
Expenses in connexion with Hobart International Exhibition ... ..	...	1,560
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DIVISION No. 19.		
GRANTS.		
No. 9. For the purpose of aiding the funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums ... ..	...	2,500
The Grant to be distributed subject to the following conditions:—		
I. That no more than one-sixteenth of the entire sum be divided amongst the Institutions within ten miles of Melbourne.		
II. That where the Free Library or Museum is part of, or connected with, a Mechanics' or other Institution, all the books, periodicals, and newspapers in such Institution, or the articles in the Museum, as the case may be, are to be available to the public in the Free Library or Museum on all occasions when they are available to subscribers.		
III. That the Grant be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council.		
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DIVISION No. 20.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 4. Commissions and Boards of Inquiry ... ..	1,893	
9. Part of the Purchase Money of the Natural History Collection of the late Dr. P. H. McGillivray ... ..	300	
10. Gratuity equal to six months' pay to Officer who has retired under Retrenchment Scheme ... ..	94	
	-----	2,287
<b>Total Chief Secretary</b> ... ..	...	<b>9,118</b>
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II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 21.		
EDUCATION.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Eleven Fourth Class Clerks ... ..	£2,990 0 0	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Eleven Fourth Class Clerks—one for one month ...	£2,769 0 0	
	221	
Arrears ... ..	6	
	227	
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DIVISION No. 22.		
EDUCATION.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.— <i>Instruction.</i>		
General—Teachers ... ..	1,000	
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Bonuses for qualifying Teachers to give Instruction in Singing and Drawing ... ..	50	
	1,050	
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DIVISION No. 24.		
TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.		
To be paid in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council :—		
For Maintenance ... ..		5,200

## DIVISION No. 25.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

## No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government Service or to their Widows or Children—(Inalterable):—

(3) Gratuity to the Widow of the late H. M. Mathison, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	£234	0	0
(4) Gratuity to the Widow of the late R. W. V. Dermott, formerly a Truant Officer (nine months' pay) ... ..	£135	0	0
Less retiring allowance paid ... ..	73	2	7
		61	17
(5) Gratuity to the Widow of the late A. Allan, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	183	6	9
(6) Gratuity to the Widow of the late M. Doig, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	178	19	0
(7) Gratuity to the Mother of the late S. E. Coates, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay—to be paid under conditions approved by the Governor in Council) ... ..	150	9	0
(8) Gratuity to John Sweeney, in trust for the Children of the late J. Sweeney, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	178	6	3
(9) Gratuity to the Widow of the late W. Leggatt, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	150	9	0
(10) Gratuity to the Widow of the late J. Clancy, formerly a Teacher (nine months' pay) ... ..	135	3	0
	£1,272	10	5

2. Gratuities equal to six months' pay to Officers who have resigned under Retrenchment Scheme ... ..

1,273

784

2,057

**Total Minister of Public Instruction ... ..**

**8,534**

### III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 26.		
SUPREME COURT.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
One Judge's Associate, from 9th September, 1895	...	153
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DIVISION No. 27.		
LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Professional assistance, including Costs and Expenses of Legal Proceedings	...	650
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DIVISION No. 31.		
REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Fourth Class Clerk	...	243
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DIVISION No. 33A.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Gratuities equal to six months' pay to Officers who have resigned under Retrenchment Scheme	...	121
2. Gratuity to John Crawford Henderson, late Deputy Sheriff (£3 7s.), and Albert Edward Berkeley Casey, Deputy Sheriff (£2 12s.), being the difference between the allowance for payment to Deputy Sheriffs whilst on circuit duty and the allowance paid to them as Fourth Class Officers	...	6
3. Allowance to James Allan, Sheriff's Clerk and Bailiff, in reimbursement of amounts expended in executing warrants from 1st July, 1893, to 30th June, 1894 (being in full of all demands)	...	20
4. Allowances to undermentioned Bailiffs for year ended 30th June, 1895 :—James Connor, £16 8s.; W. C. McFarlane, £7; J. H. Whitehead, £12 8s.; T. Murrell, £6 12s.; W. Watts, £8; and G. Knight, £3 12s.	...	54
5. Amounts due to Sheriff's Bailiffs, E. B. Porter (£3 10s.), T. Wood (£1 12s. 6d.), and J. Allan (15s.), allowed to them under Order in Council dated 10th February, 1896, having been previously paid to revenue	...	6
6. Refund of amount overpaid by the Straits Insurance Company Limited for stamp duty on the business of the company for the year 1894 (£197 10s.)	...	198
7. Remission of penalty imposed by the Collector of Imposts on receipt for purchase money, dated 17th August, 1895, Watson and others to McGregor	...	5
8. Remission of penalty imposed by the Collector of Imposts on transfer, Gibson to Dawson (£15 5s. 9d.)	...	16
		426
<b>Total Attorney-General</b>	...	<b>1,472</b>

## IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 34.		
COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF INSOLVENCY, COURTS OF MINES, GENERAL AND PETTY SESSIONS.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
One Judge (acting) at £1,500, from 1st July to 30th September, 1895	...	319
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DIVISION No. 36.		
CLERKS OF COURTS.		
SALARIES.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Fourth Class Clerk	... ..	326
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DIVISION No. 37.		
CORONERS.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
No. 3. Jurors' Fees	... ..	100
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DIVISION No. 37A.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Gratuity equal to six months' pay to Officer who has resigned under Retrenchment Scheme (£75 4s.)	...	76
Refund of portion of fine imposed upon George Ramsay by the bench of magistrates at Rutherglen, on 12th February, 1895, for stealing grapes	...	7
Refund of fine imposed upon Henry McIntyre by the bench of magistrates at Sale, on 25th September, 1895, for stealing dead timber	...	2
Refund of portion of fine imposed upon W. J. M. McAuley by the bench of magistrates at Boort, on 16th August, 1895, for breach of the <i>Auction Sales Act 1890</i> (£4 10s.)	...	5
Refund of portion of fine imposed upon Donald B. Corstorphan by the bench of magistrates at Melbourne, on 26th September, 1895, for breaking a lamp	...	2
Refund of amount of forfeited security in the matter <i>Christina Ryan versus James Tierney</i> , maintenance order	...	25
Refund of part of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Ann Hall versus William Hall</i> , maintenance order (£5 2s. 6d.)	...	6
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Elizabeth Collins versus Alfred Collins</i> , maintenance order	...	25
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Joan Evans versus Thomas Evans</i> , maintenance order	...	40
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance, <i>Elizabeth A. Dean versus Albert Isaac Lelievre</i> , maintenance order	...	25
Refund of amount of balance of estreated recognisance, <i>Julia Warren versus John Warren</i> , maintenance order	...	36
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance, <i>Edith Long versus Ernest Adami</i> , maintenance order	...	25
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance, <i>Mary Lightbound versus William Lightbound</i> , maintenance order, to be paid to William Lightbound	...	20
Refund of part of amount of estreated recognisance, <i>Henry D. Parkinson versus Sydney Smith</i> (£5 14s. 6d.)	...	6
		300
<b>Total Solicitor-General</b>	...	<b>1,045</b>

## V.—TREASURER.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 39.		
INCOME TAX OFFICE.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
To provide an increment to the salary of Mr. T. J. B. McKail, a fourth class clerk ... ..	10	
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Stationery, Incidental and Travelling Expenses, including Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts as Witnesses and Clerical Assistance ... ..	79	89
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DIVISION No. 41.		
GOVERNMENT PRINTER.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
Printers—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, including Printing of Electoral Rolls and Printing under Contract ... ..	2,905	
Bookbinders—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, and Binding under Contract ... ..	191	
	3,096	
Subdivision No. 4.		
Machinery and Repairs ... ..	508	3,604
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DIVISION No. 44.		
TRANSPORT, SAMPLES, AND MARINE INSURANCE ... ..	...	350
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DIVISION No. 46.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
To pay Elizabeth Tye the balance of the net proceeds of estate of her late Husband, John Tye, the moiety of the aforesaid net proceeds having previously been paid to her (£4 16s. 5d.) ... ..	5	
Gratuity to the Mother of the late Patrick Cunningham, formerly a compositor, Government Printing Office, equal to nine months' pay...	126	131
Total Treasurer ... ..	...	4,174

## VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.		
Subdivision No. 7.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stationery, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals ... ..	50	
Subdivision No. 8.		
CADET CORPS.		
SALARIES.		
One Officer Commanding ... ..	£386	
Less provided ... ..	331	
	55	
Subdivision No. 10.		
MOUNTED RIFLES.		
SALARIES.		
One Officer Commanding ... ..	£560	
Less provided ... ..	460	
	100	
Seven Instructors at from 8s. 9d. to 10s. 3d. per day (without quarters) ... ..	£1,126	
Less provided ... ..	1,050	
	76	
	176	
Subdivision No. 11.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Lodging Allowance—Adjutant ... ..	13	
	189	
Subdivision No. 12.		
VICTORIAN RANGERS.		
SALARIES.		
One Officer Commanding† ... ..	£475	
Less provided ... ..	396	
	79	
Eight Instructors at from 8s. 9d. to 10s. 3d. per day (without quarters)† ... ..	£1,278	
Less provided ... ..	1,180	
	98	
	177	
Subdivision No. 13.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowance in lieu of quarters—Officer Commanding ... ..	11	
	188	
Subdivision No. 15.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Compensation as recommended by Boards of Inquiry to Members injured on duty ... ..	165	
Gratuities equal to six months' pay to Officers who have retired under Retrenchment Scheme ... ..	167	
Expenses in connexion with negotiations for sale of Gun-boats ... ..	133	
Expenses in connexion with Ballarat Exhibition ... ..	50	
Refund of duty to Colonial Ammunition Company Limited ... ..	7	
Expenses to England of Inspector of Explosives, to cover passage money, travelling, and all other expenses ... ..	200	
	722	

## DIVISION No. 48.

## Subdivision No. 22.

## PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.—HEAD-QUARTERS STAFF.

## SALARIES.

One Lieutenant-Colonel—Assistant Adjutant-General (including arrears) ... ..	£479	
Less provided ... ..	447	
		32
One Major—Garrison Instructor and Commanding Engineer	£950	
Less provided ... ..	590	
		360

## Subdivision No. 23.

## CONTINGENCIES.

Forage Allowances§ ... ..	40
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals ... ..	150
Passages of Officers ... ..	180
	370

Total HEAD-QUARTERS STAFF ... .. 762

## Subdivision No. 24.

## PERMANENT STAFF MILITIA.

## SALARIES.

	Maximum	
	£	
Two Warrant Officers, Garrison and Brigade Sergeants-Major	180	
Six Warrant Officers—Instructors† ... ..	150	
Nineteen Non-commissioned Officers—Instructors ... ..	120	
	3,980	
Less provided ... ..	3,830	
		150

## Subdivision No. 28.

## VICTORIAN ARTILLERY.

## Read—

## SALARIES.—OFFICERS.

	Maximum	£
One Major* ... ..	519	
Two Captains* ... ..	419	
Six Lieutenants* ... ..	316	
One Adjutant ... ..	316	
One Surgeon-Captain † ... ..	200	

## SALARIES.—WARRANT AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND MEN.

	Per Day. †	
	s. d.	
One Regimental Sergeant-Major ... ..	8 0	
One Master Gunner ... ..	6 9	
One Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..	6 9	
Three Company Sergeants-Major ... ..	6 9	
One Staff Sergeant ... ..	6 9	
Fourteen Sergeants ... ..	5 9	
Sixteen Corporals ... ..	4 9	
Thirteen Bombardiers ... ..	4 3	
Five Armament Artificers ... ..	9 6	
One Blacksmith ... ..	9 6	
One Engine-driver ... ..	7 9	
One Coxswain ... ..	7 9	
One Fireman ... ..	6 0	
Two Deck Hands ... ..	6 0	
Four Trumpeters ... ..	3 6	
Two hundred and four Gunners ... ..	3 6	
Eight Boys ... ..	1 3	

18,058

DIVISION NO. 48.						£	£	£
<i>In lieu of—</i>						Maximum		
SALARIES—OFFICERS.						£		
One Major*	...	...	...	...	...	485	447	
Two Captains*	...	...	...	...	...	355	661	
Five Lieutenants (one from 17th May, 1896, one from 1st February, 1896)*	...	...	...	...	...	256	850	
One Surgeon†	...	...	...	...	...	200	200	
							2,158	
SALARIES—WARRANT AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND MEN.						Per Day.‡		
Three Warrant Officers ...	...	...	...	...	...	6 6		
Four Company Sergeants-Major and Staff Sergeants	...	...	...	...	...	6 0		
Twelve Sergeants	...	...	...	...	...	5 3		
Thirteen Corporals	...	...	...	...	...	4 3		
Eight Bombardiers	...	...	...	...	...	3 9		
Five Armament Artificers	...	...	...	...	...	8 6		
One Blacksmith	...	...	...	...	...	8 6		
One Engine-driver	...	...	...	...	...	6 9		
One Coxswain	...	...	...	...	...	6 9		
One Deck Hand	...	...	...	...	...	4 6		
Four Trumpeters	...	...	...	...	...	3 3		
One hundred and seventy-three Gunners	...	...	...	...	...	3 3		
Eight Boys ...	...	...	...	...	...	1 0		
							14,500	
Subdivision No. 29.							16,658	
CONTINGENCIES.								1,400
Allowance in lieu of quarters—Officers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40
Lodging Allowances—Non-commissioned Officers, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50
Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50
Special Duty Pay	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	180
Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
Rations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150
Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	140
								660
<b>Total VICTORIAN ARTILLERY</b>								<b>2,060</b>
Subdivision No. 30.								
PERMANENT SECTION—VICTORIAN ENGINEERS.								
SALARIES.								
One Captain	...	...	...	...	...	£291		
Less provided	...	...	...	...	...	279		12
Twenty-six Non-commissioned Officers, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	£3,335		
Less provided	...	...	...	...	...	3,210		125
								137
Subdivision No. 31.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Passages, Warrant Officer and Family	...	...	...	...	...	...		120
<b>Total PERMANENT SECTION VICTORIAN ENGINEERS</b>								<b>257</b>



	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
Subdivision No. 32.		
MILITIA PAY.—ARMY SERVICE CORPS.		
<i>For—</i>		
One Assistant Commissary-General		
One Deputy Assistant Commissary-General		
Three Lieutenants		
One Company Sergeant-Major		
One Company Quartermaster-Sergeant		
Four Sergeants		
Five Corporals		
<i>Read—</i>		
One Assistant Commissary-General		
One Deputy Assistant Commissary-General		
Three Lieutenants		
One Company Sergeant-Major		
One Company Quartermaster-Sergeant		
Four Sergeants		
Five Corporals		
Twenty-three Privates		
Subdivision No. 33.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Effective Allowance ... ..	40	
Forage Allowance and Horsing Guns ... ..	500	
Incidentals ... ..	100	
	640	
Subdivision No. 35.		
ENCAMPMENTS.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Expenses in connexion with Easter Encampment ... ..	£2,300	
<i>For—</i>		
Expenses in connexion with Encampment for Garrison		
Artillery and Submarine Mining Company ... ..	400	
	1,900	
<b>Total Minister of Defence ... ..</b>		<b>6,973</b>

## VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

	£	£
<p style="text-align: center;">DIVISION No. 49.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SALARIES.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Subdivision No. 1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIRST DIVISION.</p>		
Secretary for Lands at £712 in lieu of £621 from 1st July, 1895 ...	91	
<p style="text-align: center;">Subdivision No. 4.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</p>		
Crown Lands Bailiff, from 1st October, 1895, to 30th June, 1896 ...	144	235
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<p style="text-align: center;">DIVISION No. 50.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PUBLIC PARKS, GARDENS, AND RESERVES.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Subdivision No. 2.—(<i>Inalterable.</i>)</p>		
No. 3. Grant to the Committee of Management for maintaining and improving Edinburgh Gardens, city of Fitzroy, on the understanding that a sum of £200 be contributed by the Fitzroy City Council ... ..	200	
4. Grant to the Committee of Management for maintaining and improving Richmond Park, city of Richmond, on the understanding that a sum of £70 be contributed by the Richmond City Council ... ..	70	
5. Grant to the Committee of Management for maintaining and improving Darling Gardens, city of Collingwood, on the understanding that a sum of £150 be contributed by the Collingwood City Council ... ..	150	420
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<p style="text-align: center;">DIVISION No. 52.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXPENSES OF CARRYING OUT THE LAND TAX ACT.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Subdivision No. 2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONTINGENCIES.</p>		
Expenses generally ... ..	...	57
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<p style="text-align: center;">DIVISION No. 53.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXTIRPATION OF RABBITS AND WILD ANIMALS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Subdivision No. 2.</p>		
Expenses generally in carrying out the Vermin Destruction Act, including subsidies to Shire Councils and Vermin Boards for the destruction of foxes and wild dogs, also for erection and repairs to vermin-proof fencing on Crown Lands ... ..	...	4,500

	£	£
DIVISION No. 55.		
VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS AND LABOUR COLONIES.		
Village Settlements and Expenses connected therewith ... ..	...	8,000
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DIVISION No. 56.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 4. To the Committee of Management of the Hepburn Mineral Spring Park, fees received for the occupation of the site of Mineral Spring, £124 10s. ... ..	125	
5. To pay officers who retired on 30th April, 1894, under section 143 of the Public Service Act, 54 Vict. No. 1133, amount together with Pension equal to three months' full salary, £29 18s. 5d. ... ..	30	
6. Gratuity equal to six months' pay to Officers who have resigned under Retrenchment Scheme ... ..	36	
7. Cost of registration of Liens in connexion with the Seed Advances Act ... ..	100	
8. Planting and thinning trees in State Forests in connexion with the unemployed ... ..	1,000	
9. To recoup Railway Department expenditure on Wattle Plantations within railway reserves, being amount realized from sale of wattle-bark ... ..	800	
10. To D. Buchanan, compensation for improvements effected on forfeited Mallee Block 17B ... ..	231	
11. To Simon Knowles, valuation of improvements on forfeited land, parish of Tarrawarra, £71 11s. ... ..	72	
12. To the Executors of the late A. Johnson, amount overpaid as Land Tax on estates numbered 1092 and 196, £153 0s. 4d. ... ..	154	
13. To A. R. Dudley, compensation for loss of land, parish of Maryborough, including law costs ... ..	28	
		2,576
<b>Total Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey ... ..</b>	...	<b>15,788</b>

## VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 58.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 2. Gratuity equal to six months' pay to John White, deck hand, whose services have been dispensed with, £60 7s. 5d. ...	61	
3. To defray expenses in connexion with the Landing and Official Reception of His Excellency Lord Brassey ...	570	
4. To defray accounts rendered by the Railway Department for passes issued to the Unemployed ...	600	
		1,231
DIVISION No. 60.		
WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
WHARFS, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.		
No. 3. Towards Removal of Reefs, and other Improvements in River Yarra ...	2,000	
6. Repairs and additions to Wharfs, Sheds, Jetties, and Approaches throughout the colony ...	300	
7. Towards completion and maintenance of the New Entrance to the Gippsland Lakes ...	80	
10. Towards Repairs and Renewals, Old Jetty, Queenscliff ...	35	
	2,415	
Subdivision No. 4.		
LUNATIC ASYLUMS.		
No. 1. Repairs and other Works at Lunatic Asylums throughout the colony, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	426	
Subdivision No. 7.		
LIGHT-HOUSES AND LIGHT-SHIPS.—(Inalterable.)		
No. 1. Repairs, Additions, and other Works for Light-houses, Keepers' Quarters, Light-ships, including Fittings, Furniture, Roads, and Fencing (exclusive of Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, and Eddystone Point), also Erection and Renewal of and Repairs to Jetty and Channel Lamps ...	900	
Subdivision No. 11.		
SUDDRY WORKS, MELBOURNE.—(Inalterable.)		
No. 1. Additions and Repairs, &c., at Parliament Buildings, including Fittings, Furniture, Ventilating, Fencing, Electric Lighting Fittings, and maintenance and cost of working during the Session ...	100	
5. Additions, Repairs, Furniture, Fittings, Labour, &c., at Government House and Grounds, and at Cottage, Macedon ...	1,250	
	1,350	
Subdivision No. 16.		
STATE SCHOOL BUILDINGS.—(Inalterable.)		
<i>Read—</i>		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c., also Maintenance of Training College and Grounds		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c.		

	£	£
DIVISION No. 60.		
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
No. 6. Towards Works in connexion with Drainage of Condah Swamp	150	
8. Towards Drainage Works at Koo-wee-rup Swamp (including purchase of Stores, Plant, and Live Stock, to be recouped by the selectors) ... ..	2,400	
12. Towards Reclamation Works at Black Swamp ... ..	20	
13. Reclamation Works, &c., Elwood Swamp ... ..	250	
18. Huntly Shire.—To assist in constructing Sludge Channel, £245 4s. 7d. ... ..	246	
	3,066	
<i>Read—</i>		8,157
No. 19. Maryborough Borough.—To assist in continuing the construction of the Main Drain, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	£200	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
DIVISION No. 62.		
No. 11. Maryborough Borough.—To assist in constructing a Bridge across the Main Drain on the Tullaroo-road, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	£200	
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DIVISION No. 61.		
DEFENCE WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Maintenance and Inspection of Forts, Batteries, &c., providing other necessary Works for Defence purposes; also for Naval and Military Buildings and Vessels, &c., including Additions, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ... ..	...	2,406
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DIVISION No. 62.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
<i>Read—</i>		
No. 9. Howqua Shire.—To assist in repairing Bridges on the Main-road to Wood's Point, Council to expend £250 additional ... ..	£750	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
No. 9. Howqua Shire.—To assist in repairing Bridges on the Main-road to Wood's Point, Council to expend £250 additional ... ..	£250	
	500	
<i>Read—</i>		
No. 26. Railway Department.—To defray half the cost of freight charged for carriage of Gravel on behalf of the Yarrawonga Shire Council... ..	£200	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
No. 26. Yarrawonga Shire.—Towards half-cost of freight charged by Railway Department for the carriage of Gravel, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	£200	
No. 28. Bairnsdale Shire.—To assist in completing the road between Bairnsdale and Omeo, <i>vid</i> Mount Baldhead, Council to expend £355 19s. 6d. additional, £355 19s. 6d. ... ..	356	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 62.		
No. 29. Mansfield Shire.—To assist in erecting a Bridge at Heyfield, Council to expend £27 additional ... ..	80	
30. Morwell Shire.—To assist in repairing the Morwell Bridge over the Morwell River, Council to expend £150 additional ...	150	
31. Mount Franklin Shire.—To further assist in constructing a Culvert on the Main-road from Daylesford to Creswick, at Sailor's Creek, Council to expend £186 additional ...	186	
32. Narracan Shire.—To assist in forming Road to Village Settlement at Fumina, £55 17s. 2d. ... ..	56	
33. Swan Hill Shire.—To assist in erecting a Bridge over the Gunbower Creek at the Gunbower Township, Council to expend £150 additional ... ..	184	
34. To assist various Municipal Councils in repairing Damages and restoring Communication interrupted by recent floods ...	236	
35. Tocumwal Bridge.—Towards cost of Approach ... ..	2,000	
36. Warrnambool Town and Shire.—To assist in erecting Bridge over the Hopkins River, Councils to expend £1,599 2s. 4d. additional, £779 12s. 1d. ... ..	780	
	780	4,528
<i>To satisfy Query by the Commissioners of Audit.</i>		
DIVISION No. 66 OF 1893-4.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
One Senior Architect ... ..	£667	
Three Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	561	
	£1,228	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
One Senior Architect ... ..	£668	
Three Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	560	
	£1,228	
<b>Total Commissioner of Public Works ...</b>	...	16,322

## IX.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 63.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Messengers and Attendants—Arrears ... ..	2	
Engine-drivers—Arrears ... ..	4	
		6
<i>Read—</i>		
26 Sub-Lockers, Weighers, Watchmen, and Coast Waiters— First Grade ... ..	£4,161	
53 Sub-Lockers, Weighers, Watchmen, and Coast Waiters— Second Grade (two for two months only) ... ..	6,946	
	£11,107	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
26 Sub-Lockers, Weighers, Watchmen, and Coast Waiters— First Grade (one for ten months) ... ..	£4,133	
51 Sub-Lockers, Weighers, Watchmen, and Coast Waiters— Second Grade ... ..	6,974	
	£11,107	
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DIVISION No. 64.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
GOVERNMENT STEAMER.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Three Boys ... ..	£156	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Three Boys ... ..	£108	
		48
—————		
DIVISION No. 67.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 3. Refund of Duty collected under exceptional circumstances :—		
(1) On Machinery for Western Wimmera District of Victoria Freezing Co. Ltd.	£957 8 1	
(2) On Sheep for Salvation Army ...	10 4 0	
(3) On Sheep subsequently frozen and exported ... ..	30 16 0	
(4) On Chinese Clothing, Fireworks, &c., for Bendigo Easter Fair ... ..	21 5 7	
		1,020
4. Refund of Fine inflicted on J. C. Dahlsen under <i>Marine Act</i> 1890 ... ..	10	
5. To pay Officers retiring under Retrenchment Scheme, £68 8s.	69	
6. Gratuity to the Widow of the late A. Griffiths, Chief Mate of the s.s. <i>Lady Loch</i> , who was drowned whilst in the execution of his duty ... ..	297	
7. Gratuity to the invalid Sister of the late A. D. Mathieson, Boy of the s.s. <i>Lady Loch</i> , who was drowned whilst in the execution of his duty ... ..	72	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 67.		
No. 8. Compensation to Mr. F. H. Bruford for special duties performed consequent upon his appointment as Secretary to the Tariff Inquiry Board ... ..	105	
9. Compensation to Orchardists for damage done by Deer ...	100	
10. To pay expenses in connexion with Sangster Inquiry Board ...	500	
11. To pay duty on Gunpowder delivered free in error by Keeper of Powder Magazine, Saltwater River, £37 10s. ... ..	38	
12. To pay the Tasmanian Government First Instalment due by this Colony for Repairs to Swan and Goose Island and Kent's Group Lighthouses ... ..	949	
13. Refund to Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners of amount paid Drawback Wharfage ... ..	3,300	
		6,460
<i>To satisfy a Query of the Commissioners of Audit.</i>		
DIVISION No. 72 OF 1893-4.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
GOVERNMENT STEAMER.		
<i>Read—</i>		
One Cook and Steward ... ..	£132	
Six Seamen ... ..	538	
	£670	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
One Cook and Steward ... ..	£133	
Six Seamen ... ..	537	
	£670	
<b>Total Commissioner of Trade and Customs ... ..</b>		<b>6,514</b>



## X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

DIVISION No. 68.

### POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.

#### SALARIES.

Subdivision No. 3.

#### CLERICAL DIVISION.

3rd Class <i>f</i> Postmasters ... ..	483
4th Class <i>f</i> Postmasters ... ..	657
5th Class <i>f</i> Postmistresses at from £70 to £150 per annum ... ..	350
3rd Class Clerks (one to 31st December) ... ..	224
4th Class Clerks ... ..	339
4th Class <i>f</i> Operators at from £216 to £300 per annum ... ..	910
	2,963

Subdivision No. 4.

#### NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.

	Maximum per Month.	
Inspectors of Telegraph Works at from £22 to £25 per month ... ..	£25 0 0	
Overseers of Telegraph Works at from £17 to £21 per month ... ..	21 0 0	
Line Repairers at from £10 10s. per month to 60s. per week ... ..	13 0 0	
Line Repairers' Assistants at from £8 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	10 0 0	
		264
Chief Storeman and Foreman Maintenance Staff at £20 per month ... ..	22 0 0	
Saddlers and Sailmakers at from £9 to £13 per month ... ..	13 0 0	
Storemen and Packers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	11 10 0	
Porters and Pillar Clearers at from £7 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	11 0 0	
Mail Drivers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week ... ..	10 10 0	
Female Stamp Embossers at £80 ... ..	6 13 4	
Caretaker, General Post Office, at £19 ... ..	19 0 0	
Night Watchmen at from £10 per month to £15 per month ... ..	15 0 0	
		691
Caretaker, arrears ... ..		87
Sorters, from £11 10s. to £14 10s. per month ... ..		54
		1,096

4,059

	£	£
DIVISION No. 71.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 4. Compensation to Margaret C. McG. Goodwin ( <i>née</i> Orr) who retired from the service on account of marriage, being one month's pay for each year of service, and a proportionate sum for any additional time less than a year, 17 years 22 days, salary £110 per annum, £156 7s. 8d. ... ..	157	
5. Additional gratuity to the widow of the late Busfield C. Jones, Postmaster, Bairnsdale (difference between £247 10s. and £210 previously paid), £37 10s. ... ..	38	
6. Refund to Messrs. W. Cameron Bros. and Coy. Limited, the sum paid for three years, right to advertise on post-cards, the contract having been cancelled ... ..	950	
7. Refund to the Manager, Argus Permanent Building and Investment Society, Melbourne, of amount paid on an instrument, the same being a mortgage and not dutiable, £14 15s. ... ..	15	
8. Gratuity equal to six months' pay to Officers who have resigned under Retrenchment Scheme ... ..	1,834	
9. Refund to F. W. Mumford of fee paid for a private box at G.P.O., and which has been cancelled by the Department, £1 1s. ... ..	2	
10. Gratuity to the widow of the late J. J. Ruddell, sorter (nine months' pay), £121 10s. ... ..	122	
		3,118
<b>Total Postmaster-General ... ..</b>		<b>7,177</b>

## XI.—MINISTER OF MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 72.		
MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
Annual allowance to Mr. James Travis for acting as Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ... ..	132	
Subdivision No. 5.		
<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
One Draughtsman, from 1st January to 30th June, 1896 ... ..	100	
		232
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DIVISION No. 74.		
WATERWORKS IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS.		
Towards repairs to Reservoir, Talbot (Council to expend £72 additional) ...	...	72
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DIVISION No. 75.		
GEELONG, COLIBAN, AND NATIONAL WORKS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
GEELONG AND COLIBAN WORKS.		
Labour and materials, stores, forage, travelling expenses and contingencies in connexion with Coliban Works ... ..	1,000	
Subdivision No. 2.		
NATIONAL WORKS.		
Kow Swamp and Macorna National Works ... ..	350	
		1,350
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DIVISION No. 76.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Cutting and assisting to make tracks and roads and opening up Unexplored Areas ... ..	2,500	
7. For the purchase of Miners' Rights and Railway Passes for Unemployed Miners ... ..	2,500	
9. To refund to Peter Paterson the amount of fine imposed upon him and afterwards remitted, 6s. 8d. ... ..	1	
10. Expenses incurred in connexion with the Ballarat Exhibition ... ..	60	
11. Gratuity equal to nine months' pay to the two youngest children of the late Henry Durham, to be paid to trustees to be appointed by the Governor in Council, £168 15s. ... ..	169	
		5,230
<b>Total Minister of Mines and Water Supply ... ..</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>6,884</b>

## XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 77.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Fifth Class Clerks ... ..	18	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Assistant Entomologist ... ..	119	
	150	137
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DIVISION No. 79.		
VINE DISEASES ERADICATION.		
Departmental expenses, trenching, and compensation in connexion with eradication of diseased vineyards ... ..	...	875
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DIVISION No. 80.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Fifth Class Inspectors of Stock ... ..	...	186
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DIVISION No. 81.		
GRANTS.		
No. 4. For the giving of Bonuses for Dairy Produce, Fruits, and Honey of best quality and in best order exported to Foreign markets, also for the development of the Wine Industry, and for the payment of expenses in connexion with any of the items named herein; as also in connexion with the shipment of Poultry, Meat, and other products—to be expended under Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ...	4,500	
5. To the Wimmera Shire Council towards eradication of Thistles growing on Crown lands within the Shire of Wimmera, £105 5s. 4d. ... ..	106	
6. For Fencing and Improving Public Parks and Gardens under the control of borough councils, trustees, committees of management, &c.—to be expended under Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council; no payment to exceed £500 ...	2,500	
7. To the Geelong Corporation, one-half of the expenses of maintaining and improving the Botanical Gardens, Geelong, for the year 1895, but not to exceed £250 ... ..	250	
		7,356

DIVISION No. 81A.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Payment to J. M. Sinclair for services rendered in visiting United States, and inquiring and reporting *re* grain freights, tobacco growing, hog raising, &c. ... ..

£

£

100

*To remove a Surcharge by the Commissioners of Audit.*

DIVISION No. 101 OF 1889-90.

*(As specially appropriated by Act of Parliament.)*

Payment to D. Wilson for expenses in connexion with his visit to Europe, *re* dairying industry, £300, being portion of £450 for which no vouchers were obtained.

**Total Minister of Agriculture ... ..**

**8,654**

## XIII.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

## DIVISION No. 82.

## VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

## Subdivision No. 1.

To provide for the year ending 30th June, 1896, Increments to Junior Officers in receipt of less than £150 per annum, viz.:—

Maintenance and Renewals	...	...	...	£200
Locomotive Charges	...	...	...	250
Traffic Charges	...	...	...	1,650
General Charges	...	...	...	900
				<u>£3,000</u>

£

£

...

3,000

## DIVISION No. 83.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 1. Annual Allowances to late Employés in the Government Railway Service—(Inalterable):—

	£ s. d.			Less paid out of Special Appropriations.			£ s. d.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
James Bruce, from 1st July, 1895, to 30th June, 1896*	382	10	0	348	15	0	33	15	0
Less amount already voted	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	10	0
							<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>

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No. 5. Gratuities in cases of Officers retired, &c. (calculated at the rate of one month's pay for each year of service)—(Inalterable):—

Allen, Stewart	125	6	10	93	18	0	31	8	10
Belson, Patrick George	208	9	0	82	3	3	126	5	9
Ball, Selina	...	...	...	...	...	...	38	15	0
Freeland, Donald	154	15	11	105	12	9	49	3	2
Keavey, Edward	134	2	0	88	0	8	46	1	4
Millar, Frederick Thomas	146	18	9	82	2	6	64	16	3
Morfesse, George	157	2	2	82	3	3	74	18	11
Moylan, John	147	13	10	82	3	3	65	10	7
McSorley, Francis	122	14	1	82	2	6	40	11	7
McAuliffe, Thomas	121	0	3	82	3	3	38	17	0
Outen, William	216	4	11	88	0	7	128	4	4
Regan, Daniel	276	6	9	117	7	6	158	19	3
Ryan, Jeremiah	275	15	2	129	2	3	146	12	11
Sause, James	183	15	9	82	3	3	101	12	6
Thompson, William	245	4	6	105	12	9	139	11	9
Thompson, Agnes	...	...	...	...	...	...	60	6	9
Treves, Thomas*	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	0	8
Anderson, Bernard (widow of)	126	18	10	119	16	2	7	2	8
Clarke, Hugh (widow of)	317	3	4	164	6	6	152	16	10
Crow, Alexander (widow of)	362	19	5	168	15	0	194	4	5
Curran, Thomas (widow of)	220	5	7	105	12	9	114	12	10
Drysdale, James (widow of)	134	17	6	82	3	3	52	14	3
Gallagher, John (widow of)	131	3	7	82	3	3	49	0	4
Healy, James (widow of)	313	16	1	82	3	3	231	12	10
Hickey, Thomas George Ames (widow of)	396	19	5	232	10	0	164	9	5
Kielly, Patrick (widow of)	190	8	9	82	3	3	108	5	6
Keogh, John Francis (widow of)	377	7	5	112	10	0	264	17	5
Lewis, Saul (widow of)	209	12	2	117	7	6	92	4	8

\* Includes service in Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company.



9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

*Resolved*—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1895–6 the sum of £101,019 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

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

10. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and one thousand and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and ninety-six,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—  
Trading Companies.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th August, 1896, for a return showing—
  1. A list of trading companies in Victoria incorporated since 1886, and the names of the directors of each company, showing which companies have gone into liquidation or otherwise failed to meet their liabilities.
  2. A list of trading companies or similar corporations now carrying on business, and the names of their directors.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—  
Fire Brigades Act 1890.—Country Fire Brigades Board.—Regulations for the Conduct of Elections of Members of the Country Fire Brigades Board and Local Committees of Country Fire Districts.—Order in Council.
3. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Order of the House appointing Wednesday, 16th September instant, for the second reading of the Melbourne Municipal Elections Bill be read and rescinded, and that the second reading of the said Bill be made an Order for this day, and have precedence.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. TYRRELL DOWNS STATION.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Order of the House appointing Wednesday, 16th September instant, for the resumption of the debate on the motion *re* the Tyrrell Downs Station, be read and rescinded, and that the resumption of the debate on the said motion be made an Order for Tuesday next.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MELBOURNE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. J. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. J. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. J. Anderson, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

6. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

7. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 9 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. E. D. Williams moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 28th October next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—Mr. Foster moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to subsidize and enable companies to further develop gold mining and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Foster and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining 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.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Best moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* and for other purposes.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend ‘The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890’ and for other purposes,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. POWDER MAGAZINES BILL.—Mr. Best moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of powder magazines, and to authorize the construction by the State of a tramway to such magazines.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Best and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Best then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of Powder Magazines and to authorize the construction by the State of a Tramway to such Magazines,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the Notice of Motion, General Business.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 5).—Mr. Kennedy moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Kennedy then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Local Government Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 14th October next.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

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TUESDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ALFRED GODDARD.—Mr. Graham, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee upon the case of Alfred Goddard ; together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and an Appendix.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Best, and the same was read :—  
BRASSEY,  
*Governor.* *Message No. 10.*  
In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* and for other purposes.  
Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 11th September, 1896.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 10, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
On the motion of Mr. Best, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Mason reported from a Committee of the whole House a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—  
*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* and for other purposes.  
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—  
Victorian Naval Forces.—Addition to Regulations.  
Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Addition to Financial and Store Regulations.

6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the Notices of Motion, General Business.
7. **PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL.**—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Local Government Act 1890* so as to prevent “plumping” at municipal elections.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Higgins and Mr. Beazley do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Higgins then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Local Government Act 1890’ so as to prevent ‘plumping’ at Municipal Elections,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 28th October next.
8. **PLUMPING AT PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL.**—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* so as to prevent “plumping” at parliamentary elections.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Higgins and Mr. Beazley do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Higgins then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend ‘The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890’ so as to prevent ‘plumping’ at Parliamentary Elections,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 28th October next.
9. **ELECTORAL ROLLS.**—Mr. Downward moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of electors on the rolls for each electorate in the colony.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. **PATENTS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Patents Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Longmore do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Prendergast then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Patents 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 Wednesday, 14th October next.
11. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
13. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—
- MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and one thousand and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and ninety-six*” without amendment.
- W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
- Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 15th September, 1896.
- MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to give to all Ratepayers the right to vote at all Elections for the City Council of Melbourne*” without amendment.
- W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
- Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 15th September, 1896.
- MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds*” without amendment.
- W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
- Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 15th September, 1896.
14. **TYRRELL DOWNS STATION.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease—having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Mr. Prendergast moved, as an amendment, That the words “provided that his tenants shall be free from all responsibility, monetary or otherwise, to him at the expiration of three years from the commencement of their tenancy” be added to the motion.  
Debate continued.

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

Ayes, 9.		Noes, 52.	
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.	Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Lazarus
Mr. Beazley,		Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. Bromley,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Austin,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Longmore,		Mr. Baker,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. T. Smith	Mr. Vale.	Mr. Best,	Mr. McColl,
		Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McGregor,
		Mr. Brake,	Sir John McIntyre,
		Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McLean,
		Mr. Duffus,	Mr. McLellan,
		Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. McLeod,
		Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Murphy,
		Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Peacock,
		Mr. Foster,	Mr. Rawson,
		Mr. Graham,	Mr. Rogers,
		Mr. Grattan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
		Mr. Gray,	Mr. Taverner,
		Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
		Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
		Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,
		Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. S. White,
		Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
		Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
		Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
		Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Cook,
		Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to allow Mr. E. H. Lascelles permission to cultivate the Tyrrell Downs Station, in such areas as from time to time he may require, during the remainder of the term of his lease—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 47.		Noes, 13.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,	Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale.
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McCay,	Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Bennett,	Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Gray.
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murphy,		
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Peacock,		
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Rawson,		
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Rogers,		
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,		
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,		
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. Turner,		
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. J. Turner,		
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,		
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. S. White,		
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,		
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.		
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,			
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Kennedy,			
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Cook,		
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Salmon.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

*Supply—To be further considered in Committee.*

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 36.

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 WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following petitions, praying that the House will be pleased to pass the Employers' Liability Law Amendment Bill, were presented:—
  - By Mr. Barrett—  
From certain members of the Trades Hall Council.  
From certain persons.
  - By Mr. Bennett—  
From certain residents of Richmond.
  - By Mr. Hamilton—  
From certain members of the Tobacconists' Society.  
From certain members of the Tanners' Society.
  - By Mr. Longmore—  
From certain members of the Railway Workshops Union.
  - By Mr. Murray—  
From certain members of the Felt Hatters' Society.
  - By Mr. Prendergast—  
From certain members of the Melbourne Democratic Club.  
From certain members of the Millers' Society and others.  
From certain persons styling themselves Australasian Knights of Labour.
  - By Mr. Sangster—  
From certain members of the Furniture Trade Society.  
From certain members of the Coachmakers' Society.
  - By Mr. T. Smith—  
From certain members of the Bakers' Society.
  - By Mr. J. B. Tucker—  
From certain members of the Pressers' Union.  
From certain members of the Boilermakers' Society.
  - By Mr. Wilkins—  
From certain members of the Ironmoulders' Society.  
From certain members of the Progressive Carpenters' Society.

On the motion of Mr. Prendergast, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition from certain members of the Melbourne Democratic Club to be read.

The petition was read by the Clerk.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following petitions, praying that the House will pass a measure for conferring the parliamentary franchise upon women, were presented:—

By Mr. Moule—  
From certain parliamentary electors and other adult residents in the district of Brighton and shire of Moorabbin.

By Mr. G. Turner—  
From certain persons.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.



## 3. PAPER.—Mr. Taverner presented—

Export of Perishable Products.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 1st September, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The sums paid during the last financial year in connexion with the perishable products which passed through the Flinders-street Market buildings, viz.:—
  - (a) Amount paid for rent of premises.
  - (b) Amount paid for use of machinery.
  - (c) Amount paid for working machinery.
  - (d) Any other sums paid to the City Corporation.
2. The average cost per ton for handling, carriage, and other charges (if any) for taking the produce from the market buildings, and delivering it in the vessel's hold.
3. The number of tons of produce exported through the premises referred to during the last financial year.
4. The date on which the present arrangement between the Government and the City Corporation terminates.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

## 4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Sir John McIntyre 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, 29th September instant.

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

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

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

## 6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

## 7. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged:—

*Scripture Lesson Books in State Schools (Plebiscite) Bill—Second reading.*

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

## 8. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Noes, 13.

Mr. J. Anderson,  
Mr. W. Anderson,  
Mr. Austin,  
Mr. Barrett,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Best,  
Mr. Bromley,  
Mr. Burton,  
Mr. Gavan Duffy,  
Mr. Duggan,  
Mr. Gray,  
Mr. Grose,  
Mr. Gurr,  
Mr. Hamilton,  
Mr. Hancock,  
Mr. Harris,  
Mr. Irvine,  
Mr. Kirton,  
Mr. McColl,

Mr. McGregor,  
Mr. McLean,  
Mr. Outtrim,  
Mr. Peacock,  
Mr. Prendergast,  
Mr. Sangster,  
Mr. T. Smith,  
Mr. Sterry,  
Mr. Styles,  
Mr. A. L. Tucker,  
Mr. J. B. Tucker,  
Mr. Vale,  
Mr. Wilkins,  
Mr. E. D. Williams.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. McCay.

Mr. Dyer,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. Grattan,  
Mr. Kennedy,  
Mr. Kerr,  
Mr. Madden,  
Mr. McArthur,  
Mr. McKenzie,

Mr. McLellan,  
Mr. Murray,  
Mr. Russell.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Duffus,  
Mr. O'Neill.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday, 11th November next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

## 9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 30th September instant.

## 10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Best moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*

GRAHAM BERRY,

*Speaker.*

VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

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THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Mason reported that a quorum of Members was not present in the Committee ; whereupon Mr. Speaker counted the House, and a quorum of Members not being present, Mr. Speaker, at seven minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned the House, without Question being first put, until Tuesday next.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 38.

TUESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Gurr rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The unemployed question as affecting Geelong and the Western District in connexion with regrading railway works at Buckley's Road Railway Station."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Gurr moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—  
**BRASSEY,**  
*Governor.* *Message No. 11.*  
The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of Parliaments, viz.:—  
"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and one thousand and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five and ninety-six."  
"An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds."  
"An Act to give to all Ratepayers the right to vote at all Elections for the City Council of Melbourne."  
Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 21st September, 1896.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Mildura Settlement.—Report of the Mildura Royal Commission.  
Mr. Peacock presented—  
Electoral Rolls.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th September, 1896, for a return showing the number of electors on the rolls for each electorate in the colony.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1896, to 30th June, 1896.  
(700 copies.)

5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

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OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 39.

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WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 15.
3. GEELONG STREETS BILL.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of Section One hundred and eleven of the *Local Government Act 1891* to the Town of Geelong.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Higgins and Mr. Gurr do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Higgins then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to extend the provisions of Section One hundred and eleven of the 'Local Government Act 1891' to the Town of Geelong,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 14th October next.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
6. SERIOUS RAILWAY ACCIDENTS—DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRIES.—Mr. Zox moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House any future inquiry in the Railway Department into an accident of a serious nature should be held in public, and not in private as at present.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
7. THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to appoint a Royal Commission for the purpose of inquiring and reporting as to the means of avoiding unnecessary delay and expense, and of making improvements, in the administration of justice and in the working of the law.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

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THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Public Service Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.
3. RAILWAY GUARDS AND PORTERS—ALLOWANCES FOR UNIFORMS.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. The names of the guards and porters (now engaged as such) in the Railway Service who were employed prior to 1874, and who have since that year received allowances in lieu of the departmental supply of uniforms.
  2. The amount received by each.
  3. The years in which allowances were paid.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.  
Ordered—That the Report be received on Tuesday next.  
Mr. Mason also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 41.

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TUESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE SOLICITOR-GENERAL AND JUDGE MOLESWORTH.—Mr. R. Murray Smith moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the correspondence which has taken place between the Honorable the Solicitor-General and Judge Molesworth relative to the unavoidable absence of the latter from his duties during a period of 48 hours.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—  
Correspondence between the Solicitor-General and Judge Molesworth.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. R. Murray Smith rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “The position of the County Court Judges.”  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. R. Murray Smith moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—  
BRASSEY,  
*Governor.*

*Message No. 12.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to establish a State Bank, to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners' Savings Banks, to amend the *Savings Banks Act 1890*, to enable advances to be made, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 29th September, 1896.

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

6. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part III.—Finance, &c.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Factories and Shops Acts.—Regulations.—Order in Council.  
Victorian Railways—

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the year ending 30th June, 1896.

Return of Special Goods Rates for the year ending 30th June, 1896.

7. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Wheeler 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.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

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 WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. TELEGRAPH MESSENGERS.—Mr. Cook moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
  1. How many telegraph messengers are employed in the Postal Department.
  2. Between what ages they are employed, and what salaries they receive.
  3. What hours they work.
  4. How many of them are performing operators' duties solely, and whether those performing operators' duties receive any allowance; if so, how much.
  5. In what order they are promoted, if at all.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Gavan Duffy presented—
 

Telegraph Messengers.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Land Act 1890.—Schedule of Swamp Leases.
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1896*.
 

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Factories and Shops 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.
5. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Foster moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Mines Acts*.
 

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Mines 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 Wednesday, 14th October next.
6. MINING DEVELOPMENT 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.

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

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

(700 copies.)

8. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3).—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. O'Neill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Mr. Longmore moved, as an amendment, That the word "now" be omitted, and that after the word "time" the words "this day six months" be added.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—That the word "now," proposed to be omitted, stand part of the question—put and negatived.  
Question—That the words, "this day six months," proposed to be added after the word "time," be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Question—That this Bill be read a second time this day six months—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Madden moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Madden moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Madden, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday, 11th November next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3 be postponed until Wednesday, 11th November next.  
Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 5 be postponed until Wednesday, 25th November next.  
Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 4 and Nos. 6 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 14th October next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 43.

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 THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1896.

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

2. PAPER.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—

Railways Constructed under the Butty-gang System.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 11th August, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The names of the railway lines constructed under the butty-gang system.
2. The length of each line and total length of all those constructed.
3. The Engineer's estimate of cost of each line.
4. The actual cost of each line, showing the principal headings and total cost of all the lines.
5. The cost of supervision, including the salaries of construction engineers and inspectors.
6. The average wages paid.
7. The total number of men employed on each line.
8. The time occupied in the construction of each line.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

3. COST OF RAILWAYS AND OTHER PUBLIC WORKS—1886 TO 1895.—Mr. Rogers moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total amount spent in the construction of railways and of all other public works in each of the years from 1886 to 1895 inclusively.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 12, having been read—On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to establish a State Bank, to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners' Savings Banks, to amend the *Savings Banks Act* 1890, to enable advances to be made, and for other purposes.

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

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

6. STATE BANK BILL.—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to establish a State Bank, to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners’ Savings Banks, to amend the ‘Savings Banks Act 1890,’ to enable Advances to be made, 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, 13th October instant.
7. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question —That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—  
 Debate resumed.  
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Foster, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the House, at twelve minutes past nine o’clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44.

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TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1896.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented—

Cost of Railways and other Public Works—1886 to 1895.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 1st October, 1896, for a return showing the total amount spent in the construction of railways and of all other public works in each of the years from 1886 to 1895 inclusively.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1896.  
Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—

Victorian Naval Forces.—Alteration of Regulations.

Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Addition to Financial and Store Regulations.

Land Act 1890.—Schedule of Swamp Leases.

Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1896.

Vegetation Diseases Act 1896.—Rules and Regulations.—Order in Council.

3. MESSRS. FRANCIS, KIBBLE, AND MURRAY.—Mr. Murray moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers and correspondence in connexion with the appointment of Messrs. Francis, Kibble, and Murray as Railways Commissioners, and with their retirement from those positions.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. COBURG AND BRUNSWICK RAILWAY LINES.—Mr. Carter moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing, with regard to the Coburg and Brunswick lines, to 30th June, 1896—

1. Number of passengers carried.

2. Detail of fares.

3. Total income.

4. Expenses with interest and without.

5. Profit or loss on running.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Bromley moved, That the words “such as is usually made by cabinet-makers chair and couch makers upholsterers wood carvers or wood turners,” in clause 3, lines 17 and 18, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “shall include all articles usually prepared or manufactured by employés in the furniture trade.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 54.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McGregor,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 15.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Bromley,	
Mr. Fink,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Craven.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

6. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Irvine moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word “That” be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “no Bill for the amendment of the *Constitution Act* will be satisfactory which does not provide for a reduction in the number of Members of the Assembly.”

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

Debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—continued.

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

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

Debate further continued.

Mr. McColl 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.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 45.

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WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Carter rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The statements in connexion with the City of Melbourne Bank prosecution."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Carter moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
And the debate not being concluded by half-past eight o'clock—  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
5. ABOLITION OF THE STOCK TAX.—Mr. R. Murray Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to abolish the Stock Tax without further delay.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Fink 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, 25th November next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 46.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1896.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—Debate resumed.

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

FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1896.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Harris,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 19.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLeod,	
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Rawson,	Mr. Moule.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 47.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1896.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1895-6.

Mr. H. R. Williams presented—

Railway Guards and Porters—Allowances for Uniforms.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 24th September, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The names of the guards and porters (now engaged as such) in the Railway Service who were employed prior to 1874, and who have since that year received allowances in lieu of the departmental supply of uniforms.

2. The amount received by each.

3. The years in which allowances were paid.

Messrs. Francis, Kibble, and Murray.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 6th October, 1896, for a copy of all papers and correspondence in connexion with the appointment of Messrs. Francis, Kibble, and Murray as Railways Commissioners, and with their retirement from those positions.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., cap. 55, during the year 1895-6.

3. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Foster moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 2 (page 1), line 11, omit "two" and insert "one."

„ (page 2), line 4, after "gold" insert "minerals or metals."

„ (page 2), line 10, after "gold" insert "minerals or metals."

„ (page 2), line 13, after "gold" insert "minerals or metals."

„ (page 2), line 15, omit "being" and insert "either being or are intended to be."

„ (page 2), lines 15-16, omit "at great depths below the surface."

„ (page 2), lines 18, 21, 24, 25, after "gold" insert "minerals or metals."

Clause 3, line 33, omit "Auriferous" and insert "Metalliferous."

„ line 35, after "Races" insert "and Dams"; after "Gold" insert "Minerals or Metals."

„ line 37, omit "Miscellaneous s. 37" and insert "Advances to Miners for Prospecting ss. 37-40."

„ line 38, omit "Supplemental ss. 38-39" and insert "Miscellaneous s. 41"; also insert "PART VII.—Supplemental ss. 42-43."

- Clause 5, line 4, omit "Seventy-five" and insert "Sixty."  
 " line 5, omit "five."  
 Clause 7, lines 20-21, omit "articles of association" and insert "rules."  
 Clause 9, line 36, after "company" insert "after entering into such agreement."  
 " line 39, after "pound" insert "and that the company has also previously actually and properly expended in mining operations on the said land all previous instalments advanced by the Governor."  
 Clause A, line 43, after "A" insert "(1)."  
 " line 45, omit "five."  
 " line 46, omit "auriferous" and insert "metalliferous."

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

Clause A, at end of clause add—"or for the purpose of assisting quartz reefing by sinking or cross-cutting for further make of stone."

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

Clause A, at end of clause add—"or in sinking shafts for the purpose of prospecting for gold or any mineral or metal at great depths below the surface and at places in respect of which the expenditure of large sums of money extending over a considerable period will be necessary.

- (2) Before any such expenditure is incurred the Minister shall submit to the Treasurer an application for such expenditure together with all documents connected therewith and any other documents the Treasurer may require, and if the Treasurer approves of such expenditure he may recommend the Governor to allow such expenditure and the Governor may allow the same accordingly."

Part III., line 26, omit "Auriferous" and insert "Metalliferous."

Clause 27, line 33, omit "auriferous" and insert "metalliferous."

Clause 28, line 36, omit "auriferous" and insert "metalliferous."

Clause 30, line 16, omit "auriferous" and insert "metalliferous."

Part IV., line 19, omit "to convey" and insert "and Dams for."

Clause 32, line 26, omit "for carrying water at high levels" and insert "and dams."

Clause 33, line 28, after "race" insert "or dam."

" line 31, after "over" insert "or in."

" line 32, after "race" insert "or dam."

" line 34, omit "shall convey" and insert "or dam shall supply."

Clause 34, line 1, after "race" insert "or dam."

" line 4, after "race" insert "or dam"; omit "laid out" and insert "designed."

Clause 36, line 19, after "races" insert "or dams."

" line 20, after "races" insert "or dams."

" line 22, after "race" insert "or dam."

" line 25, after "race" insert "or dam."

" line 27, after "race" insert "or dam."

Parts V. and VI. to be numbered VI. and VII. respectively.

Mr. Foster offered the following clauses to be added to the Bill :—

#### PART V.—ADVANCES TO MINERS FOR PROSPECTING.

A. The total amount which may be expended for the purposes of this Part of this Act shall not exceed Fifteen thousand pounds in the whole or the amount of Five thousand pounds in any financial year. Limit of expenditure.

B. Subject to the provisions of this Act it shall be lawful for any four or more persons in combination to apply to the Minister for an advance by way of loan not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds and the Governor may subject to such regulations as may be made for the purpose by the Governor grant such advance to such persons for the purpose of enabling and assisting such persons to prospect for gold or any minerals or metals other than gold. Advances for prospecting.

C. (1) Any persons who apply for an advance under this Part of this Act shall supply the Minister with— Information to be furnished with application.

evidence to the satisfaction of the Minister that they are all working miners ;

a description of the land upon which it is intended by such persons to prospect for gold or minerals or metals ;

a statement showing the period of time over which the advance is to extend and the instalments in which such advance is required ;

a statement showing what security or agreement such persons can and will give to secure the repayment of such advance and showing how and when such persons intend to repay such advance ; and

any other and further information which the Minister may require.

(2) The Minister shall require all of the said evidence descriptions statements and information to be verified on oath.

D. No instalment shall be paid to any such persons until the Minister is satisfied that for every pound to be advanced under this Part such persons have out of their own resources after making such application actually and properly expended in mining operations on the land held by such persons a like sum of One pound and that such persons have also previously actually and properly expended in mining operations on the said land all previous instalments advanced by the Governor. Applicants to spend pound for pound.

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

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

4. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—  
*Insolvency Law Amendment Bill—Consideration of Report.*

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 17, 19, 97, and 111, and for the consideration of new clauses.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 7, 15, 23, 86, 94, 101, and 114.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 1 (page 1), line 10, omit "October" and insert "January."

„ (page 1), line 11, omit "ninety-six" and insert "ninety-seven."

Clause 2, lines 7 and 8, omit "the Insolvency Acts and to the rules" and insert "this Act."

Clause 3, line 27, omit "the Insolvency Acts" and insert "this Act."

Clause 8, line 43, omit "the Insolvency Acts" and insert "this Act."

„ (page 4), at end of clause add—" (4) In awarding costs the Supreme Court or the court may award the same either out of the insolvent estate or against any person or persons as shall seem just."

Clause 13, line 35, insert "(3) Where an order is so made confirming the appointment of any person to fill the office of trustee such person shall cause notice of such confirmation to be forthwith advertised in the *Government Gazette*."

Clause 27, at end of clause add—" (3) The Chief Clerk shall cause notice of every order made for the removal of any assignee or trustee to be forthwith advertised in the *Government Gazette*."

Clause 28, line 24, before "trustee" insert "assignee or."

„ line 25, omit "trustee" and insert "assignee or trustee as the case may be."

Clause 29, line 28, after "of" insert "the court having any reasonable ground for believing that"; after "trustee" insert "is."

„ line 31, after "or" insert "is."

Clause 49, insert the following sub-section after sub-section (3)—

(4) Where upon the written application of the assignee or trustee it is made to appear to a police magistrate at the place where the proceedings in any estate are conducted—

Authorization  
of urgent  
claims.

(a) that it is necessary to meet any urgent claims properly incurred by the assignee or trustee in such estate; and

(b) that it would cause undue delay expense or hardship to make such application to the court; and

(c) that a sufficient amount is standing to the credit of such estate in the Insolvency Estates Account,

such police magistrate may if he thinks fit order such payments out of the said amount standing to the credit of the estate as shall appear to him to be necessary. Any police magistrate making such order as aforesaid shall forthwith notify the same to the Chief Clerk.

Clause 72, line 36, after "execution" insert "by the debtor."

„ line 43, after "thereunder" insert "the name occupation and address of the trustee if any."

Clause 77, line 2, after "Insolvency" insert "and no person shall be appointed or act as such trustee unless he is registered as qualified to be appointed to the office of trustee under the Insolvency Acts, and before he acts under the deed he shall give security in manner in Part II. of this Act provided with regard to a trustee in insolvency."

Clause 81, line 36, omit "One shilling" and insert "the fee specified in the Second Schedule to this Act."

„ line 40, omit "One shilling" and insert "the said fee."

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

Clause 84, line 32, after "creditor" insert "or the insolvent."

Mr. Higgins moved, That all the words after the word "shall," in clause 97, line 37, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "as against the assignee or trustee in insolvency be inoperative and have no validity at law or in equity unless and until registered as hereinafter mentioned within thirty days after execution by the settlor."

Debate ensued.

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

Ayes, 24.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Best,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Sir John McLutye,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. T. Smith.

Noes, 24.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Kerr,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Sterry.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Harris,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Lazarus.

And the numbers being equal, Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote with the "Ayes."

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Insert new First Schedule—

No. of Act.	Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
No. 1102 ...	<i>Insolvency Act 1890</i> ...	Sections thirteen, fourteen, fifty-five, fifty-seven, eighty-eight, and one hundred and five.

References in clause 1 (3) to be rectified and Schedules to be renumbered and references thereto in Bill to be rectified.

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 48.

WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. USURY PREVENTION BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the prevention of usury.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the prevention of Usury,*" 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.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 4).—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
  1. Clause 2, line 9, after "municipality" insert "including the City of Melbourne and Town of Geelong."
  2. Clause 6, line 25, omit all the words after "purposes" to the end of the clause.
  3. Insert the following new clauses :—
    - A. Where in pursuance of the authority of the *Local Government Act* 1890 or any other Act the council of any municipality including the City of Melbourne and the Town of Geelong carries on any gas works electric light works sanitary desiccating works baths weigh-bridges markets water supply ferries or other like works, it shall be lawful for any member of any such council to receive purchase take and use any such conveniences or things or the residuum or product thereof in the same manner as any member of the public not being a councillor might do and to pay the council or the proper officers thereof without incurring any penalty or disqualification in respect thereof.
    - B. Every action for any offence against sections fifty-one or fifty-three of the *Local Government Act* 1890 shall be commenced within three months from the time of the commission of the offence complained of.

And the said amendments were read a second time.  
Amendments 1 and 2 agreed to.  
Amendment to insert new clause A agreed to with the following amendments :—  
Line 5, omit "receive purchase take and."  
Line 6, after "things or" insert "receive purchase take and use."  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the amendment to insert new clause B be disagreed with.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments, have agreed to another of the said amendments with amendments, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(700 copies.)

4. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1896-7.—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.**

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 1.		
		LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1		The President ... ..	750	
1		The Chairman of Committees ... ..	400	
2			1,150	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Allowances to Witnesses attending Committees, and Expenses incidental to Committees ... ..	25	
		Total Division No. 1 ... ..	1,175	
		The sum of ... ..	...	840
		DIVISION NO. 2.		
		LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1		The Speaker ... ..	1,000	
1		The Chairman of Committees ... ..	640	
2			1,640	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly ... ..	880	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
1	L.	The Clerk Assistant ... ..	850	748
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	The Second Clerk Assistant, Clerk of Private Bills, and Clerk of Committees ... ..	546	
1	2	Clerk of the Papers and Accountant ... ..	545	
1	3	Serjeant-at-Arms and Assistant Clerk of Committees ... ..	408	
1	4	Assistant Clerk of the Papers ... ..	326	
1	4	Reader ... ..	303	
1	5	Assistant Reader and Telegraph Operator ... ..	188	
6			2,316	

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 2.				
Subdivision No. 5.				
SERJEANT-AT-ARMS DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum. £	
1		Housekeeper* ... ..	276	256
10		Doorkeepers†... ..	188	1,721
1		Hall Kceper ... ..	200	188
1		Hall Porter ... ..	188	177
1		Engineer ... ..	210	198
1		Engineer's Assistant‡ ... ..	168	158
15				2,698
25		Total SALARIES ... ..		8,282
Subdivision No. 6.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Fuel, Light, and Water, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ...		700
		Charwomen, Lift Attendant, and other Temporary Non-Clerical Assistance ... ..		450
		Expenses of Select Committees, including Allowances to Witnesses ...		100
				1,250
		Total Division No. 2 ... ..		9,532
		The sum of ... ..		7,082
DIVISION No. 3.				
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.				
		Incidental Expenses, including Allowances to Witnesses ... ..		250
		The sum of ... ..		150
DIVISION No. 4.				
VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2f	Chief Reporter ... ..		501
2	2f	Reporters ... ..		938
2	5	Clerks (to act as Short-hand Amanuenses and Type-writers) ... ..		307
5				1,746
Subdivision No. 2.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..		50
		Type-writing and Reporting Assistance ... ..		550
				600
		Total Division No. 4 ... ..		2,346
		The sum of ... ..		1,486

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

	Minimum Rate of Pay.	Scale of Annual Additions.		Maximum Rate of Pay.	All increments to accrue from 1st July.
		Number.	Amount.		
† Doorkeepers	48s. per week	8	3s. per week	72s. per week	
‡ Engineer's Assistant	£12 per month	4	10s. per month	£14 per month	

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 5.		
		THE LIBRARY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	The Librarian ... ..	546	
1	5	Clerk ... ..	188	
2			734	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Messenger ... ..	176	
3		Total SALARIES ... ..	910	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Books and Bookbinding ... ..	450	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stationery, Postage Stamps, Allowance to Charwoman, and Temporary Assistance (including Allowance to Temporary Messenger, £150) ... ..	800	
			1,250	
		Total Division No. 5 ... ..	2,160	
		The sum of ... ..		1,532
		DIVISION NO. 6.		
		REFRESHMENT ROOMS.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Wages of Staff ... ..	200	
		Fuel, Light, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	400	
		Water Power for Parliament House (required for the protection of the Parliament Buildings from fire, working lifts, and also for machinery for ventilation) ... ..	325	
		Total Division No. 6 ... ..	925	
		The sum of ... ..		625
		DIVISION NO. 7.		
		PARLIAMENT GARDENS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Foreman Gardener ... ..	147	
2		Gardeners ... ..	252	
3			399	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Incidental Expenses ... ..	70	
		Total Division No. 7 ... ..	469	
		The sum of ... ..		344



Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 8.				
ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.				
CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
SALARIES.				
FIRST DIVISION.				
1		The Under-Secretary ... ..	880	
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Acting Chief Clerk ... ..	442	
1	2	Clerk ... ..	546	
1	2	Inspector of Officers in Charge of Stores ...	546	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	447	
1	3	Clerk ... ..	488	
4	4	Clerks ... ..	1,193	
13	5	Clerks* ... ..	2,181	
		Allowance to 3rd Class Officer discharging the duties of Secretary to the Police Superannuation Board and the Police Medical Board ...	46	
22			5,839	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
				Maxi- mum.
1		Caretaker of Government Offices, Spring- street † ... ..	£ 150	170
1	f	Female Typewriter ... ..	78	70
2		Messengers and Attendants ... ..	120	228
2		Junior Messengers and Attendants ... ..	72	144
1		Female Housekeeper ... ..	48	50
7				662
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
1	x	Government Medical Officer ... ..	1,020	
31		Total SALARIES, Chief Secretary's Office...	8,401	
Subdivision No. 2.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Telegrams, Stores, Stationery, Books, Fuel, Light, Water, and Inci-				
dentals, including temporary allowance to Female Housekeeper in				
lieu of quarters, Orderly's Allowance, Flags and Office Stationery				
for His Excellency the Governor ... ..				
1,961				
Cost of Indexing <i>Government Gazette</i> ... ..				
120				
Repairs to Old Treasury Buildings, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ...				
100				
2,181				
Total Chief Secretary's Office ... 10,582				

\* One acting in Executive Council Office and paid under Schedule D, Part IV., 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55. —† With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 8.</b>				
<b>OBSERVATORY.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
<b>Sc. &amp; L. PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Acting Government Astronomer *	... 725	372
1		Assistant ... ..	... 300	279
1		Assistant ... ..	... 250	235
2		Assistants ... ..	... 190	286
5				1,172
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	5	Clerical and Photographic Assistant ...	... ..	188
1	5	Weather Telegraph Clerk ... ..	... ..	117
2			Maxi- mum.	305
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
			£	
1		Mechanical Attendant ... ..	... 132	103
2		Junior Messengers and Attendants ...	... 72	144
3				247
10		Total SALARIES, Observatory ... ..	... ..	1,724
<b>Subdivision No. 4.</b>				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
Stores, Fuel, Light, Incidentals, Labour, Books, Instruments, Repairs, Photographic Materials, &c. ... ..				
				450
Weather Service, Local and Intercolonial, including Attendance to Time-ball and Tide-gauge, Williamstown ... ..				
				185
				635
Total Observatory ... ..				2,359
<b>GOVERNMENT BOTANIST.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 5.</b>				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
<b>Sc. PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	Sc.	Government Botanist ... ..	.. 800	712
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	4	Clerk ... ..	... ..	303
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Herbarium Assistant ... ..	... 252	235
1		Herbarium Assistant ... ..	... 96	94
2				329
4		Total Government Botanist ... ..	... ..	1,344

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 8.		
		INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND SHOPS.		
		Subdivision No. 6.		
		SALARIES.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4	Chief Inspector of Factories ... ..		256
1	5	Clerk ... ..		188
		Addition to Salary of Chief Inspector of Factories		47
2			Maximum.	491
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
4		Inspectors of Factories ... ..	£ 240	904
1		Female Inspector of Factories ... ..	150	137
5				1,041
7		Total SALARIES, Inspection of Factories and Shops ... ..		1,532
		Subdivision No. 7.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses, Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ... ..		185
		Total Inspection of Factories and Shops ... ..		1,717
		FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.		
		Subdivision No. 8.		
		SALARIES.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Actuary for Friendly Societies ... ..		546
1	4	Clerk ... ..		240
7	5	Clerks ... ..		1,256
9				2,042
		Subdivision No. 9.		
		(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Registrar of Friendly Societies ... ..		372
10		Total SALARIES, Friendly Societies ... ..		2,414
		Subdivision No. 10.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Stores and Incidentals ... ..		60
		Total Friendly Societies ... ..		2,474
		MISCELLANEOUS.		
		Subdivision No. 11.—(Inalterable.)		
		Agent-General—Expenses ... ..		2,000
		British New Guinea.—Contribution towards the Expenses of the Government of British New Guinea for the year ending 31st May, 1897 ... ..		5,000
				7,000
		Total Division No. 8 ... ..		25,476
		The sum of ... ..		20,231

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 9.				£	£	
		GOVERNMENT STATIST.						
		SALARIES.						
		Subdivision No. 1.						
		CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1	3	Assistant Government Statist	...	...	...	438		
1	4	Assistant Government Statist	...	...	...	326		
3	4	Clerks	...	...	...	768		
23	5	Clerks	...	...	...	4,181		
28						5,713		
		Subdivision No. 2.						
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.						
					Maxi- mum.			
1		Junior Messenger	...	...	£	72		
1		Junior Messenger	...	...	£	66		
2						138		
30		Total SALARIES	...	...	...	5,851		
		Subdivision No. 3.						
		CONTINGENCIES.						
		Stores and Incidentals (including Paper for Registers of Births and Deaths, Travelling Allowances to Officers, and Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon Subpœna)				...	225	
		Subdivision No. 4.						
		Allowances to Registrars	...	...	...	4,800		
		Total Division No. 9	...	...	...	10,876		
		The sum of ...	...	...	...	...	8,150	
		DIVISION No. 10.						
		POLICE.						
		SALARIES.						
		Subdivision No. 1.						
		CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.						
1	x	Chief Commissioner*	...	...	...	792		
		Subdivision No. 2.						
		CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1	3	Accountant	...	...	...	438		
1	4	Acting Chief Clerk	...	...	...	245		
1	4	Clerk	...	...	...	326		
5	5	Clerks	...	...	...	912		
8						1,921		

\* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 10.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 3.—GENERAL POLICE.</b>				
1	x	Inspecting Superintendent* ... ..	460	
10	x	Superintendents,* at £375, including allowance to officer in charge of Plain-clothes Police of £50	3,530	
8	x	Inspectors,* at £300, including allowance to Senior Officer, Russell-street Station, of £50	2,279	
14	x	Sub-Inspectors,* at £255 ... ..	3,321	
1	x	Drill Instructor* (foot), with brevet rank of Sub-Inspector, at 11s. 6d. daily	198	
100	x	Sergeants,* 1st Class—Fifty, with daily pay from 10s. 6d. to 11s. ... ..	17,844†	
		2nd Class—Fifty, with daily pay from 9s. 6d. to 11s. ... ..		
1277	x	Constables,* Senior—One hundred and forty, with daily pay from 8s. to 10s. ... ..	177,823‡	
		Ordinary—Eleven hundred and thirty-seven, with daily pay from 6s. to 9s. 6d. ... ..		
		Extra pay to members of the Force on plain-clothes duty, viz.:—Seven at 5s. 6d. daily, twelve at 3s. 6d. daily, ten at 2s. 6d. daily, five at 1s. 6d. daily, and twenty at 1s. daily	2,282	
1	x	Hospital Wardsman, at 7s. daily	122	
	x	Cooks and Searchers—One at £52, one at £25, and others not exceeding £10 each yearly	320	
1412			207,679	
		Deduct to be repaid by the Mint, Railway Department, and Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools ... .. £1,200		
		Deduct to be repaid from the Licensing Act 1890 Fund, being for pay of six Sub-Inspectors acting as Inspectors under Act No. 1111 ... .. 1,422		
			2,622	
			205,057	
1421			207,770	
<b>Total SALARIES ... ..</b>				

## Subdivision No. 4.

## CONTINGENCIES.

Allowances to Officers in lieu of Grooms, and for repairs to Saddlery used by Officers, at £40 each yearly	760
Allowance in lieu of Quarters, Fuel, Light, and Water to Sub-Officers and Constables living out of Barracks	7,500
Forage	9,500
Travelling Expenses	6,400
Stores	2,000
Fuel, Light, and Water	4,100
Shoeing and Farriery	950
Purchase of Horses	400
Medical Expenses of Police, and to reimburse Members of the Force for Clothing destroyed in the execution of their duty	200
Incidentals, Repairs to Saddlery, and Expenses of Black Trackers	2,400

## NOTES ON SALARIES.

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Including 1s. a day additional pay to ninety-nine Sergeants after ten years' service, and 6d. a day additional pay to one Sergeant after six years' service, 1s. a day additional pay to seven Sergeants (2nd class) on 1st promotion on account of age, and to one Sergeant acting as Mounted Drill Instructor, and 6d. a day additional pay to ten Sergeants over 55 years of age and in important charges.—‡ Including 1s. a day additional pay to six hundred and eighty-eight Constables after ten years' service, 6d. a day additional pay to three hundred and eighty-six Constables after six years' service, 1s. a day additional pay to eleven Constables, eight employed as Superintendents' Clerks, two as Horse-breakers, and one as Store-keeper at Depot, and 6d. a day additional pay to four Constables over 55 years of age and in important charges.

DIVISION No. 10.						£	£
Transport of Prisoners	...	...	...	...	...	2,900	
Burial of Destitute Persons	...	...	...	...	...	1,250	
Maintenance of Prisoners while in charge of Police, including Provisions, Medical Attendance, Medicines, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	550	
Law Costs incurred by the Police	...	...	...	...	...	200	
Rewards for the Apprehension of Offenders	...	...	...	...	...	100	
Allowance to Medical Officer to the Police Force	...	...	...	...	...	372*	
Provisions, Medical Comforts, Medicines, and occasional Nurses for Police Hospital	...	...	...	...	...	200*	
						39,782	
Total Division No. 10						247,552	
The sum of						...	182,372

DIVISION No. 11.			
Number.	Classification	PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.	
SALARIES.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1	1 <sup>f</sup>	Inspector-General ...	668
1	2	Chief Clerk and Accountant	546
1	2 <sup>f</sup>	Governor of Gaol †	460
1	3	Governor of Gaol †	439
1	3	Governor of Gaol †	371
4	4	Clerks ...	983
1	4	Storekeeper	204
3	5	Clerks ...	489
		Addition to Salary of Captain Evans, Inspector-General of Penal Establishments and Gaols †	45
13			4,205
Subdivision No. 2.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
			Maxi- mum.
4		Governors of Gaols †—One at £263, one at £252, one at £234, and one at £225	911
1		Deputy Governor † ...	235
1		Storekeeper at Melbourne Gaol §	164
1		Photographer	246
1		Overseer of Woollen Factory	226
1		Overseer of Works † ...	207
6		Overseers ...	1,071
1		Senior Chief Warden †	212
5		Chief Warders †	234
2		Chief Warders	234
16		Senior Warders	174
4		Senior Warders †	174
			3,163

\* These amounts will be partly met by stoppages from the pay of the men in Hospital.—† With quarters, fuel, light, water, and prisoner servants, as provided by Gaol Regulations.—‡ In accordance with terms of appointment to the office.—§ Transferred with the higher salary.—|| Subject to the deductions made by Act 1313, Acting Senior Warders to be paid at the rate of £153 per annum, being the salary of a First Grade Warden in accordance with the Regulations in force on 14th January, 1894; eight to be paid also 6d. per diem for ten years' service in the Penal and Gaols Branch.



Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 12.				
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
1	M.	Inspector of Lunatic Asylums, also Medical Superintendent, Kew Lunatic Asylum*	£ 850	} 4,886
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ... ..	850	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ... ..	690	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ... ..	650	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ... ..	520	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ... ..	360	
1	"	Senior Medical Officer* ... ..	500	
3	"	Junior Medical Officers* ... ..	350	
2	"	Junior Medical Officers* ... ..	240	
1	"	Junior Medical Officer* ... ..	240	
1	E.	Head Teacher, Idiot Asylum* ... ..	198	
14				4,886
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Clerk and Accountant† ... ..	...	} 4,364
2	3	Secretaries* ... ..	...	
1	3	Secretary* ... ..	...	
1	3f	Secretary* ... ..	...	
1	4f	Secretary* ... ..	...	
1	5	Secretary* ... ..	...	
2	4	Clerks† ... ..	...	
8	5	Clerks† ... ..	...	4,364
17				4,364
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum	
			£	
1		Dispenser* ... ..	192	} 4,661
2		Engineers* ... ..	228	
2		Engineers* ... ..	210	
1		Engineer* ... ..	132	
1		Farm Bailiff* ... ..	252	
1		Farm Bailiff* ... ..	216	
1		Farm Bailiff* ... ..	156	
2		Farm Bailiffs* ... ..	132	
2		Matrons* ... ..	192	
2		Matrons* ... ..	156	
2		Matrons* ... ..	96	
6		Junior Messengers and Attendants ... ..	72	
3		Head Attendants* ... ..	252	
3		Head Attendants* ... ..	132	
5		Hospital Attendants, Male ... ..	162	
2		Hospital Attendants, Female ... ..	96	
3		Hospital Attendants, Female ... ..	60	
1		Head Teacher, Idiot Asylum, Female ... ..	117	
1		Senior Attendant, Idiot Asylum, Female ... ..	60	



Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 12.</b>				
<b>Artisan Staff—</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
5	Carpenters†	... ..	144	} 5,538
4	Painters†	... ..	132	
11	Cooks	... ..	144	
1	Cook (for six months)	... ..	80	
1	Cook, Female (for six months)	... ..	...	
1	Gardener†	... ..	156	
1	Carter†	... ..	108	
2	Storement†	... ..	162	
3	Storement†	... ..	144	
4	Tailors†	... ..	144	
5	Shoemakers†	... ..	144	
1	Blacksmith†	... ..	132	
1	Fireman†	... ..	108	
7	Tailoresses†	... ..	84	
15	Laundresses	... ..	90	
1	Laundress (for six months)	... ..	...	
235	Attendants, Male—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades	... ..	23,187	
185	Attendants, Female—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades	... ..	8,150	
524			41,536	
555	<b>Total SALARIES</b>	... ..	50,786	
<b>Subdivision No. 4.</b>				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
	Chaplains—Allowance to	... ..	480	
	Provisions and Extra Articles	... ..	30,000	
	Clothing and Bedding and Material for Manufacture	... ..	8,000	
	Stores (including Repairs), Purchase of Stock, Books, &c.	... ..	3,000	
	Medicines and Medical Comforts	... ..	1,600	
	Forage	... ..	300	
	Fuel, Light, and Water	... ..	6,500	
	Maintenance of Lunatics in General Hospitals	... ..	300	
	Expenses in connexion with the Committal and Transport of Lunatics	... ..	1,600	
	Expenses in connexion with Boarding out Patients	... ..	600	
	For Incidental Expenses and Payment of Temporary Employés	... ..	2,250	
	Fee to Official Visitor	... ..	112	
			54,742	
	<b>Total Division No. 12</b>	... ..	105,528	
	<b>The sum of</b>	... ..	...	80,478

## NOTES TO HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

All officers except those marked † receive quarters, fuel, light, water, and washing.—The Medical Staff, Secretaries, Farm Bailiffs, Matrons, Dispensers, Head Attendants, Head Teacher Male, and Engineers are allowed milk, vegetables, and patient servant in addition.—The Farm Bailiffs are allowed grass for a horse in addition.—The Medical Staff and Secretaries are allowed grass for one horse and one cow in addition.—Those marked \* are allowed quarters for their families in addition.—The Head Teacher Female, Messengers, and Attendants receive rations in addition.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 13.						£	£
		NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.							
		SALARIES.							
		Subdivision No. 1.							
		CLERICAL DIVISION.							
1	2	Secretary	...	...	...	...	532		
1	4	Accountant, &c.	...	...	...	...	317		
2	4	Clerks	...	...	...	...	582		
6	5	Clerks	...	...	...	...	1,110		
10								2,541	
		Subdivision No. 2.							
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.							
						Maxi- mum.			
						£			
1		Waggonette Driver*	...	...	...	156	124		
1		Messenger	...	...	...	120	114		
1	f	Matron, Girls' and Boys' Receiving Depôts*	...	...	...	156	116		
5		Attendants, Girls' and Boys' Receiving Depôts—All at £83*	...	...	...	90	415		
1		Female Instructor*	...	...	...	90	72		
4	f	Instructors, Boys' Receiving Depôts—One at £132,* one at £126, one at £119,* and one at £102*	...	...	...	144	456		
13								1,297	
		Subdivision No. 3.							
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>							
1		Maintenance Officer†	...	...	...	...	173		
1		Visiting Officer	...	...	...	...	235		
2								408	
25		Total SALARIES						4,246	
		Subdivision No. 4.							
		CONTINGENCIES.							
		Provisions	...	...	...	...	350		
		Clothing and Bedding	...	...	...	...	125		
		Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	...	275		
		Stores, Stock, &c.	...	...	...	...	275		
		Medical Attendance, Medicines, and Medical Comforts	...	...	...	...	75		
		Incidentals, Transport, and Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	1,000		
		Commission to Collector of Arrears for Maintenance of Neglected and Reformatory Children	...	...	...	...	147		
								2,247	
		Subdivision No. 5.							
		In aid of Industrial Schools established by private contributions, at the rate of 5s. per week for each child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service	...	...	...	...	1,000		
		In aid of Reformatory Schools established by private contributions, at the rate of 10s. per week for each child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service	...	...	...	...	4,775		
		Expenses of Boarding out Children, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service	...	...	...	...	33,000		
		Expenses of Boarding out Children whose periods of commitment have expired, but who, by reason of affliction, cannot be sent to service	...	...	...	...	200		
								38,975	
		Total Division No. 13						45,468	
		The sum of						...	34,088

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Paid to Police Department, this officer being a member of the Police Force.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 14.		
		PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		PUBLIC LIBRARY.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
1	Sc.	Librarian ... ..	610	549
1		First Principal Assistant ... ..	600	471
1		Second Principal Assistant ... ..	300	279
3				1,299
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4f	Assistant ... ..		279
1	4	Assistant ... ..		270
7	5	Junior Assistants ... ..		1,223
9				1,772
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
1	f	Senior Attendant ... ..	156	147
3		Attendants ... ..	120	297
1		Bookbinder and Attendant ... ..	180	170
9		Junior Messengers and Attendants ... ..	72	627
14				1,241
26		Total SALARIES, Public Library		4,312
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.		
		(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Curator and Mineralogist ... ..		250
1		Assistant ... ..		90
2				340
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
3	f	Attendants ... ..	120	297
1	f	Carpenter and Model Maker ... ..	216	158
4				455
6		Total SALARIES, Industrial and Technological Museum ... ..		795

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 14.		
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NATIONAL MUSEUM.		
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1	1	Director and Palæontologist, acting also as Zoologist ... ..	279	
1		Taxidermist ... ..	180	
2			459	
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4f	Clerk ... ..	207	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
				Maxi- mum.
3	f	Taxidermists ... ..	252	£ 639
2	f	Assistant Taxidermists ... ..	168	272
1	f	Carpenter and Attendant ... ..	156	114
1	f	Attendant ... ..	120	109
1		Charwoman ... ..	...	50
8			1,184	
11		Total SALARIES, National Museum ...	1,850	
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NATIONAL GALLERY.		
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Director of the National Gallery and Master of the School of Art ... ..	450	
1		Instructor and Master in the School of Drawing	250	
2			700	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
				Maxi- mum.
1		Senior Attendant ... ..	156	£ 145
5	f	Attendants ... ..	120	502
1	f	Labourer ... ..	120	103
7			750	
9		Total SALARIES, National Gallery ...	1,450	

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 14.				
Subdivision No. 5.				
GENERAL STAFF.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	5	Clerk ... ..	188	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
2		Senior Attendants ... ..	156	293
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant ... ..	72	69
3				362
( <i>Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.</i> )				
1		Caretaker ... ..		70
1		Attendant ... ..		50
2				120
6		Total SALARIES, General Staff ... ..		670
58		Total SALARIES, DIVISION No. 14 ... ..		9,077
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.				
Public Library.—Purchase of Periodicals, Binding, Stationery, Stores, and Incidental Expenses ... ..				1,428
Industrial and Technological Museum.—Fittings, Cases, Tables, Stores, and Incidental Expenses ... ..				50
National Museum.—Stores, Chemicals, and Incidental Expenses ... ..				150
National Gallery.—Picture Frames, Interchange of Pictures with Sydney and Adelaide Galleries, Repairs to Casts, and Incidental Expenses ... ..				150
Building and General.—Insurance, Lighting, Cleaning, Protection against Fire, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ... ..				2,077
				3,855
Total Division No. 14 ... ..				12,932
The sum of ... ..				9,156
DIVISION No. 15.				
GOVERNMENT SHORTHAND WRITER.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.—CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	1/	Government Shorthand Writer ... ..		549
1	2	Assistant Shorthand Writer ... ..		546
1	3	Clerk to act as Assistant ... ..		447
1	5	Clerk ... ..		188
4				1,730
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	72
5		Total SALARIES ... ..		1,802
Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.				
Clerical Assistance ... ..				100
Stores and Incidentals ... ..				100
				200
Total Division No. 15 ... ..				2,002
The sum of ... ..				1,486

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 16.					£	£
		AUDIT OFFICE AND PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.						
		SALARIES.						
		Subdivision No. 1.						
		CLERICAL DIVISION.						
2	2	Clerks	...	...	...	...	1,092	
5	3	Clerks	...	...	...	...	2,164	
9	4	Clerks	...	...	...	...	2,571	
19	5	Clerks	...	...	...	...	3,262	
35						Maxi- mum.	9,089	
		Subdivision No. 2.						
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.						
2		Junior Messengers	...	...	...	£ 72	142	
37		Total SALARIES					...	9,231
		Subdivision No. 3.						
		CONTINGENCIES.						
		Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	230	
		Fuel, Stores, and Incidentals, &c.	...	...	...	...	250	
							480	
		Total Division No. 16					...	9,711
		The sum of ...					...	7,305
		DIVISION No. 17.						
		ABORIGINES.						
		SALARIES.						
		Subdivision No. 1.						
		CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1	x	General Inspector and Secretary	...	...	...	...	414	
1	4	Superintendent, Coranderk*	...	...	...	...	222	
2							636	
		Subdivision No. 2.						
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1		Matron, Coranderk*	...	...	...	102	77	
1		Messenger and Attendant	...	...	...	120	109	
2							186	
4		Total SALARIES					...	822
		Subdivision No. 3.						
		CONTINGENCIES.						
		Medical Attendance and Medicines	...	...	...	...	140	
		Stores, Provisions, Clothing, Transport, and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	2,800	
		Repairs and Improvements to Stations	...	...	...	...	210	
		Labour, Purchase of Stock, Seeds, and other Expenses of Cultivation	...	...	...	...	650	
		Management of Station Depôts, including Insurance	...	...	...	...	492	
		Travelling Expenses of Officers, Members of Board, and Aborigines	...	...	...	...	250	
		Stationery and Office Expenses	...	...	...	...	130	
							4,672	
		Total Division No. 17					...	5,494
		The sum of ...					...	4,289

\* With quarters and rations.

DIVISION No. 18.		£	£
<b>EXHIBITIONS.</b>			
To meet expenses incurred by the Trustees of the Exhibition Building		1,250	
The sum of ... ..		...	935
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DIVISION No. 19.			
<b>GRANTS.</b>			
No. 1. For the purpose of aiding the Funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums ... ..		2,500	
The Grant to be distributed subject to the following conditions:—			
I. That no more than one-sixteenth of the entire sum be divided amongst the Institutions within ten miles of Melbourne.			
II. That where the Free Library or Museum is part of, or connected with, a Mechanics' or other Institution, all the books, periodicals, and newspapers in such Institution, or all the articles in the Museum, as the case may be, are to be available to the public in the Free Library or Museum on all occasions when they are available to subscribers.			
III. That the Grant be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council.			
2. To the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society ... ..		3,000	
3. To the Royal Society ... ..		100	
4. To the Victorian Artists' Society ... ..		100	
5. To the Art Galleries for Ballarat, Bendigo, and Warrnambool (to be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council) ... ..		200	
6. To be equally divided between the Geelong and Western District Fish Acclimatising Society and the Ballarat Fish Acclimatisation Society, to assist these Societies in the Acclimatisation and Distribution of Freshwater Fish throughout the colony, and for providing additional Breeding Ponds ... ..		100	
7. To the College of Pharmacy ... ..		600	
8. In aid of the expenses of the Pharmacy Board in connexion with the administration of the Pharmacy and Poison Acts ... ..		200	
9. To the Victorian Society for the Protection of Animals ... ..		50	
Total Division No. 19 ... ..		6,850	
The sum of ... ..		...	5,810
And, in the opinion of the Committee, Item No. 1 should be increased by the sum of £1,000.			
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DIVISION No. 20.			
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>			
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service or their Widows—(Inalterable):—			
(1) Annual allowance in lieu of compensation on services having been dispensed with:—			
To Alfred Buck—Overseer, Penal Department ... ..		£135 0 0	
,, Robert Kelly—Overseer, Penal Department ... ..		86 13 4	
,, Mrs. Emma S. Narracott—Sub-Matron, Geelong Industrial Schools ... ..		35 0 0	
,, Mrs. Henrietta Allen, Attendant, Industrial and Reformatory Schools ... ..		31 16 4	
		£288 9 8	289
(2) Annual Allowance to Widow of Sergeant Kennedy (£48 19s. 6d.), murdered in the Wombat Ranges, in addition to her Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, equal to full pay of her deceased husband to 30th June, 1897 ... ..			49
(3) Annual Allowance to Constable McIntyre, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, rendered unfit for duty through exposure at the time of the Wombat Ranges murders by the Kelly gang ... ..			52

	£	£
DIVISION No. 20.		
(4) Annual Allowance, at the rate of £1 per week, to Michael Reardon for injuries received in the attack on the Kelly outlaws at Glenrowan ... ..	53	
(5) Annual Allowance to Constable Hugh Bracken, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , for special service rendered and injury received at the destruction of the Kelly gang at Glenrowan, £29 15s. 3d. ... ..	30	
(6) Annual Allowance to Constable John Wilson Menagh, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , who was injured in the discharge of his duty in 1867, and who retired in consequence of the injury, £22 6s. 4d. ... ..	23	
(7) Annual Allowance to Senior Constable Alexander, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , who was injured in the execution of his duty, £11 14s. 1d. ... ..	12	
(8) Annual Allowance to Constable Albert Ernest Vizard, who was injured in the execution of his duty, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , £20 13s. 9d. ... ..	21	
(9) Compensation on the basis of section 16 of Act No. 160 to Female Officers appointed prior to the passing of Act No. 710 who have retired on account of Marriage, in accordance with the provisions of section 43 of Act No. 1133 :—		
Elizabeth Larkin ( <i>née</i> Gearon) £89 12 0		
Less already received ... 59 14 8		
	£29 17 4	
Hannah Lennon ( <i>née</i> O'Connor) 152 2 2		
Less already received ... 101 8 1		
	50 14 1	
	£80 11 5	
		81
No. 2. Allowance to Visitor at the City Court and Lock-ups ... ..		100
No. 3. Commissions and Boards of Inquiry ... ..		1,500
No. 4. To meet deficiency in the Police Superannuation Fund (in accordance with section 34 of the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> )		24,000
No. 5. Allowance to Instructor of the Blind, and for the purchase of Books ... ..		170
No. 6. Imperial Institute—Management of Victorian Court, Collection and Transport of Samples, and other expenses ... ..		500
		26,880
Total Division No. 20 ... ..		
		20,049
The sum of ... ..		

And, after debate, the said resolutions, with the exception of Division No. 8, £20,231, were read a second time and agreed to by the House.  
 Ordered—That Division No. 8 be recommitted to the Committee of Supply for the reconsideration of the following item in Subdivision No. 11 :—“Agent-General—Expenses, £2,000.”



*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

## II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 21.		
		EDUCATION.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Public Instruction (also Inspector-General of Schools) ... ..	686	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	E.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION		
		<i>Educational Class.</i>		
			Maxi- mum.	
		Inspector-General (see Secretary for Public Instruction).	£	
1		Senior Inspector ... ..	650	585
1		Examiner ... ..	650	585
6		Inspectors—First Grade ... ..	600	3,277
14		Inspectors—Second Grade ... ..	500	5,731
1		Lecturer ... ..	380	354
23				10,532
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Chief Clerk ... ..		662
1	1	Accountant ... ..		632
2	3	Clerks ... ..		785
11	4	Clerks ... ..		2,986
39	5	Clerks ... ..		7,095
64				12,160
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
5	1	Truant Officers ... ..	180	846
9	2	Truant Officers ... ..	168	1,422
2	3	Truant Officers ... ..	156	294
1		Messenger ... ..	120	114
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	141
19				2,817
97		Total Division No. 21 ... ..		26,195
		The sum of ... ..		19,664

## DIVISION No. 22.

## EDUCATION.

## Subdivision No. 1.

PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.—*Instruction.*

## General—

Teachers	... ..	£316,562	}	316,648
To pay Teachers, under section 68, Act No. 773, difference in salary caused by classification under that Act, conditionally on relinquishing their claims to compensation under section 69	... ..	86		
Teachers' Payments on Results—Regulation No. III.	... ..	112,956	}	112,998
To pay Teachers, under section 68, Act No. 773, difference in salary caused by classification under that Act, conditionally on relinquishing their claims to compensation under section 69	... ..	42		
Inspector of Drawing	... ..	...		372
				430,018

## Subdivision No. 2.

## CONTINGENCIES.

Travelling Expenses	{ Inspectors	... ..	£3,020	}	7,520
	{ Teachers	... ..	2,000		
	{ Children to State Schools	... ..	2,500		
Books and School Requisites	... ..	...			1,000
Stores, including Incidentals	... ..	...			1,000
Maintenance Expenses of Schools—Allowance to Teachers for Exhibitions granted by the Minister under Regulations Nos. X. and XI.	... ..	...			29,527
Boards of Advice—Elections	... ..	...			2,060
Compulsory Clause—Travelling Allowances to Truant Officers	... ..	...			300
					630
					42,037

## Subdivision No. 3.

## BUILDINGS.

Rents	... ..	...	1,700
Expenditure on School Buildings under direction of Boards of Advice	... ..	...	2,300
			4,000

Total Division No. 22 ... .. 476,055

The sum of ... .. 353,855

## DIVISION No. 23.

## MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.

Addition to Endowment of £9,000 under Act 16 Vict. No. 34. (Subject from 1st January, 1897, to deduction of an amount equal to the University fees of not more than eight students to whom have been granted exhibitions under Regulations Nos. X. and XI.)	... ..	3,250
The sum of	... ..	2,437

	£	£
DIVISION No. 24.		
TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.		
To be paid in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council—		
For Maintenance	12,000	
The sum of	...	9,000
DIVISION No. 25.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service or to their Widows or Children—(Inalterable):—		
(1) Annual Allowances to Officers who retired from the service prior to the coming into operation of Act No. 710	£2,783 4 2	
(2) To pay pensions, computed on the basis of Sec. 44 of Act 25 Vict. No. 160, to Offi- cers who have retired in consequence of changes in the Department, and who are not entitled to pensions under Act 54 Vict. No. 1133	766 9 4	
	£3,549 13 6	3,550
Total Division No. 25	3,550	
The sum of	...	2,660

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 26.		
		SUPREME COURT.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1*		Chief Clerk—Under the <i>Supreme Court Act</i> 1890	1,020	
1*		Assistant Chief Clerk ... ..	372	
4		Judges' Associates ... ..	1,072	
6			2,464	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	4	Judges' Associates ... ..	651	
8		Total SALARIES ... ..	3,115	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses of their Honours the Judges ... ..	800	
		Total Division No. 26 ... ..	3,915	
		The sum of ... ..	...	2,961
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		DIVISION NO. 27.		
		LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Secretary to the Law Department; also Commissioner of Patents and Trade Marks ...	880	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	L.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum. £	
1		Parliamentary Draftsman ... ..	1300	1,105
1		Assistant in Attorney-General's Office (in- cluding gratuity of £26) ... ..	285	200
2				1,305
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Chief Clerk ... ..		668
1	3	Collector of Imposts under Act No. 1140 ... ..		546
1	3	Accountant ... ..		447
1	3	Clerk ... ..		447
2	4	Clerks ... ..		605
8	5	Clerks ... ..		1,479
14				4,192

\* Professional.

Number.	Classification		Maxi- mum.	£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 27.</b>					
<b>Subdivision No. 4.</b>					
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
2		Messengers ... ..	120	215	
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	72	
3				287	
<b>Subdivision No. 5.</b>					
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>					
5		Prosecutors for the Queen, to act throughout Victoria—One at £1,260, one at £860, two at £660, and one at £600 ... ..		3,562	
1		Government Analytical Chemist * ... ..		546	
6				4,108	
26		<b>Total SALARIES ... ..</b>		<b>10,772</b>	
<b>Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.</b>					
		Professional Assistance, including Costs and Expenses of Legal Proceedings ... ..		2,300	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses ... ..		800	
		For Defence of Persons without means charged with Capital Crimes, and Aborigines charged with Indictable Offences ... ..		150	
		Victorian Law Reports, Law Times, &c., including Books and Reports for Library ... ..		650	
				3,900	
		<b>Total Division No. 27 ... ..</b>		<b>14,672</b>	
		The sum of ... ..			10,679
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<b>DIVISION No. 28.</b>					
<b>CROWN SOLICITOR.</b>					
<b>SALARIES.</b>					
<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>					
<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>					
1	L.	Crown Solicitor ... ..	1000	858	
<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>					
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
3	3	Clerks ... ..		1,290	
3	4	Clerks ... ..		896	
10	5	Clerks ... ..		1,862	
16				4,048	
		Deduct—to be repaid by the Railway Department ... ..		564	
				3,484	
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>					
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
2		Type-writers ... ..	144	209	
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	144	
4				353	
21		<b>Total SALARIES ... ..</b>		<b>4,695</b>	
<b>Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.</b>					
		Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses ... ..		325	
		<b>Total Division No. 28 ... ..</b>		<b>5,020</b>	
		The sum of ... ..			3,695

\* Finds his own Assistant and Chemicals.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 29.</b>		
		<b>PROTHONOTARY.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	2	Prothonotary ... ..	510	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	651	
4	5	Clerks ... ..	699	
7			1,860	
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	
8		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..	1,932	
		<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Stores and Incidental Expenses ... ..	30	
		<b>Total Division No. 29</b> ... ..	1,962	
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..	...	1,466
		<b>DIVISION No. 30.</b>		
		<b>MASTER IN EQUITY AND LUNACY.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	1	Chief Clerk and Officer for Probate Duty ...	635	
1	2	Second Clerk and Registrar of Probates and Administrations ... ..	546	
1	3	Clerk ... ..	447	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	628	
7	5	Clerks ... ..	1,265	
12			3,521	
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1		Messenger ... ..	120	
13		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..	3,628	
		<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Expenses connected with the Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, including Guarantee Premium of Master-in-Equity under Section 255 of Act No. 1142 ...	500	
			75	
			575	
		<b>Total Division No. 30</b> ... ..	4,203	
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..	...	3,090

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 31.				£	£
		<b>REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.</b>					
		<b>SALARIES.</b>					
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>					
1	x	Commissioner of Titles	...	...	...	1,250	
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>					
		<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>					
		Grade.				Maximum.	
2		2	Examiners (one acting as Chief Examiner)			£ 650	1,170
		<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>					
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
1	1	Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles, to 15th October, 1896	...	...	...	194	
2	2	Clerks*	...	...	...	1,092	
3	3	Clerks †	...	...	...	1,331	
12	4	Clerks	...	...	...	3,380	
1	5	Clerk and Compositor	..	...	...	188	
47	5	Clerks	...	...	...	8,320	
66						14,505	
		<b>SURVEY BRANCH.</b>					
		<b>Subdivision No. 4.</b>					
		<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>					
	S.				Maximum.		
					£		
1		Surveyor and Chief Draughtsman	...	...	600	546	
7		Junior Draughtsmen	...	...	200	1,221	
8						1,767	
		<b>Subdivision No. 5.</b>					
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
2	3	Draughtsmen	...	...	...	824	
		Grade.				Maximum.	
					£		
1	4 f	1	Draughtsman	...	...	300	279
1	4 f	2	Draughtsman	...	...	270	252
4	4 f	3	Draughtsmen	...	...	240	903
2	5	Draughtsmen	...	...	...	335	
2	5	Clerks	...	...	...	362	
12						2,955	
		<b>Subdivision No. 6.</b>					
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>					
					Maximum.		
					£		
1		Clerk	...	...	204	191	
1		Senior Messenger † (and Caretaker)	...	...	150	147	
6		Junior Messengers	...	...	72	418	
1		Labourer	...	...	120	86	
9						842	
98		<b>Total SALARIES</b>				...	22,489

\*One Deputy Registrar-General, and both Assistant Registrars of Titles.—† Two Assistant Registrars of Titles.—‡ With quarters.

		£	£
DIVISION No. 31.			
Subdivision No. 7.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Purchase of Parchment for Certificates of Titles, Check Surveys and Lithographing, and Works of Reference for Library ... ..		170	
Fuel, Light, Water, and Stores, including Cases for Register Book; Incidental and Travelling Expenses, including Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon subpoena ... ..		500	
		670	
Total Division No. 31 ... ..		23,159	
The sum of ... ..		...	17,122
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DIVISION No. 32.			
PATENTS.			
SALARIES.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.			
2	G.	Examiners of Patents ... ..	661
		Maxi- mum. £ 400	
Subdivision No. 2.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1	3	Senior Examiner ... ..	414
1	4	Clerk ... ..	266
3	5	Clerks ... ..	549
5			1,229
Subdivision No. 3.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1		Messenger* ... ..	114
1		Type-writer ... ..	96
2			210
9		Total SALARIES ... ..	2,100
Subdivision No. 4.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses, including Photo-lithography, &c., for Indexes, Payment of Experts, Books for Library, and Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts upon subpoena ... ..		125	
Total Division No. 32 ... ..		2,225	
The sum of ... ..		...	1,643

\* With quarters.



Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 33.</b>				
<b>SHERIFF.</b>				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>				
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	2	Sheriff ... ..	546	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	270	
1	5	Clerk and Bailiff ... ..	188	
3	5	Clerks ... ..	537	
			1,541	
6		Deduct—to be repaid by Supreme Court Library Committee ... ..	188	
			1,353	
<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>				
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Superintendent, Law Courts (acting)* ...	174	147
5		Court Keepers, Criers, and Messengers* (one to 17th January, 1897) ...	132	622
1		Attendant at Law Courts ...	120	101
3		Labourers ... ..	120	264
6		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	432
2		Bailiffs ... ..	204	384
			1,950	
18				
<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..			3,303	
24				
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
Allowances to Witnesses at the Supreme Court Sittings for the hearing of Criminal Trials ... ..			2,750	
Fees to Jurors ... ..			4,650	
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Wages of Charwomen ... ..			1,300	
Refund to Bailiffs of Guarantee Premiums when their gross receipts do not amount to £65 ... ..			200	
			8,900	
<b>Total Division No. 33</b> ... ..			12,203	
<b>The sum of</b> ... ..			...	7,359
<b>DIVISION No. 33A.</b>				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Allowances for undermentioned Bailiffs, for year ended 30th June, 1895, viz. :—G. A. Collen, 16s. ; W. De L. Browne, 10s. ; J. Bowen, £3 12s. ... ..			5	
Remission of Penalty imposed by the Collector of Imposts on Transfer M. Gibson to L. E. Dawson, £15 5s. 9d. ... ..			16	
<b>Total Division No. 33A</b> ... ..			21	
<b>The sum of</b> ... ..			...	21

\* Acting Superintendent, Law Courts, Melbourne, and Courtkeepers, Geelong and Bendigo, have quarters, fuel, light, and water; Courtkeeper, Ballarat, fuel, light, and water.

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

#### IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 34.		
		COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF INSOLVENCY, COURTS OF MINES, GENERAL AND PETTY SESSIONS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
5	x	Judges at £1,500 ... ..		6,375
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
1		Messenger and Crier, Insolvent Court, Melbourne ... ..	£	
			120	114
1		Courtkeeper, Crier, and Messenger, County Court, Melbourne ... ..	156	147
1		Court-keeper, Crier, and Messenger, City Police Court, Melbourne * ... ..	120	112
3				373
8		Total SALARIES ... ..		6,748
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Assessors' and Jurors' Fees ... ..		450
		Allowances to Witnesses at General and Petty Sessions, and at Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries, in accordance with the Regulations of the Governor in Council ... ..		1,900
		Allowances to Acting Clerks of Courts at various places who are not under the provisions of the <i>Public Service Act</i> 1890 ... ..		1,250
		Office-keepers' Allowances ... ..		1,600
		Travelling Expenses of County Court Judges (to be fixed by Order in Council from time to time); and, where necessary, payments for Periodical Tickets ... ..		950
		Travelling Expenses of Clerks of Courts, including the Travelling Expenses of those who act at more than one Court ... ..		2,500
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses for Courts in Melbourne and throughout the colony ... ..		1,000
				9,650
		Total Division No. 34 ... ..		16,398
		The sum of ... ..		11,710

\* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 35.</b>		
		<b>POLICE MAGISTRATES AND WARDENS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
	L.	<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Police Magistrate, Metropolitan ...	950	836
2		Police Magistrates, First Grade ...	750	1,335
14		Police Magistrates, Second Grade ...	650	7,981
17				10,152
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>		
		<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
		Travelling Expenses, including payments for Periodical Tickets where necessary ...		3,250
		Total Division No. 35 ...		13,402
		The sum of ...		9,755
		<b>DIVISION No. 36.</b>		
		<b>CLERKS OF COURTS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	3	Clerk of the Peace and Registrar of the County Court, Melbourne ...		447
2	3	Clerks ...		840
19	4	Clerks ...		5,712
66	5	Clerks ...		12,148
88		Total Division No. 36 ...		19,147
		The sum of ...		14,347
		<b>DIVISION No. 37.</b>		
		<b>CORONERS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>	Maxi- mum.	
1		Labourer, City Morgue ...	£	86

	£	£
DIVISION No. 37.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
No. 1. Coroners' Commuted Allowances, subject to approval by the Governor in Council ... ..	1,170	
2. Surgeons—Remuneration to, for each <i>post-mortem</i> examination by dissection, £2 2s. ; and £1 1s. for attendance, &c., at each Inquest or Inquiry and adjournment, with Travelling Expenses at the rate of 1s. per mile from usual place of abode to place of intended Inquest or Inquiry, one way only, subject to the payment of special fees in exceptional cases under the authority of the Minister ... ..	3,400	
3. Jurors' Fees ... ..	725	
4. Payments in respect to Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries; Stores, Fuel, Light, &c.; Travelling Expenses (actual) of Justices of the Peace when holding Inquests or Magisterial Inquiries, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	400	
	5,695	
Total Division No. 37 ... ..	5,781	
The sum of ... ..		3,509
DIVISION No. 37A.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Gratuity to J. C. Caffin, Acting Clerk of Courts, Yarrowonga and Tungamah, on his retiring after seventeen years' service, he not being entitled to any pension; equal to six months' pay ... ..	60	
The sum of ... ..		60

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896–7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**V.—TREASURER.**

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 38.		
		TREASURY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Under-Treasurer ... ..	750	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	{ 1	Receiver and Paymaster, Melbourne ... ..	546	
1	{ 1	Accountant to the Treasury ... ..	506	
1	{ 2	Sub-Accountant ... ..	447	
1	{ 2	Clerk ... ..	447	
8	{ 3	Clerks and Receivers and Paymasters, including one Secretary to the Tender Board, one In- specting Officer (Act No. 1323), and one Paying Officer of Pensions ... ..	3,529	
27	{ 4			7,861
48	{ 5			8,481
87			21,817	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
1		Despatch Clerk ... ..	156	188
1		Messenger ... ..	120	114
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	144
4				446
92		Total SALARIES ... ..	23,013	
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		Allowances to Collectors of Imposts (unclassified), &c. ... ..	170	
		Allowances to 5th Class Receivers and Paymasters who have not reached maximum of class ... ..	90	
		Temporary Assistance, &c. ... ..	50	
		Office-cleaners ... ..	570	
		Travelling Expenses ... ..	700	
		Stores, Stationery, Fuel, Light, and Water, and Incidental Expenses ...	800	
			2,380	
		Total Division No. 38 ... ..	25,393	
		The sum of ... ..	...	19,038

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 39.				
INCOME TAX OFFICE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
1	α	Commissioner of Taxes (see Master-in-Equity). Allowance to Commissioner... ..	255	
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	1	Deputy Commissioner of Taxes ... ..	546	
1	3	Chief Clerk ... ..	447	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	438	
3	4	Clerks ... ..	843	
32	5	Clerks ... ..	5,772	
7		Clerks ... ..	672	
45			8,718	
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maximum	
3		Assistants ... ..	£ 156	375
2		Junior Assistants ... ..	120	120
1		Sorter* (to 31st August, 1896) ...	£17/10	28
1		Letter Carrier* (to 31st August, 1896)	11	19
7				542
53		Total SALARIES ... ..		9,515
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Stationery, Incidental and Travelling Expenses, including Expenses of Clerks attending Law Courts as Witnesses and Clerical Assistance ... ..				
				422
Total Division No. 39 ... ..				9,937
The sum of ... ..				7,387

\* Temporarily employed.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 40.		
		CURATOR OF ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1		Curator—Allowance (in addition to commission) not to exceed ... ..	50	
		SALARIES.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk ... ..	303	
1	4	Accountant ... ..	279	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	239	
3	5	Clerks ... ..	511	
6			1,332	
7		Total SALARIES, &c. ... ..	1,382	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses ... ..	90	
		Total Division No. 40 ... ..	1,472	
		The sum of ... ..	...	1,112
		DIVISION No. 41.		
		GOVERNMENT PRINTER.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Government Printer ... ..	668	
1	2	Superintendent ... ..	414	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	265	
1	3	Printing Overseer ... ..	263	
1	4 f	Printing Sub-Overseer ... ..	232	
1	5	Store Clerk ... ..	188	
1	4 f	Computer ... ..	246	
1	3	Stamp Printing Overseer ... ..	447	
1	4 f	Stamp Printing Sub-Overseer ... ..	252	
1	4	Clerk and Ticket Printer ... ..	279	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	326	
10	5	Clerks ... ..	1,772	
1	4 f	Type Storeman ... ..	215	
1	4 f	Warehouseman ... ..	215	
		Grade.		
1	4 f	1st Reader ... ..	232	
2	4 f	3rd Readers ... ..	429	
2	4 f	4th Readers ... ..	416	
3	4 f	Foremen of Compositors ... ..	621	
		Grade.		
9	5 f	1st Compositors ... ..	1,692	
4	5 f	2nd Compositors ... ..	689	
2	5 f	3rd Compositors ... ..	316	
46			10,177	

Number.	Classification			£	£	
		DIVISION No. 41.				
		Subdivision No. 2.				
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
		Grade.				
8		2nd	Compositors ... ..	...	...	1,377
13		3rd	Compositors ... ..	...	...	2,053
				Maxi- mum.		
				£		
1			Bookbinders—Overseer ... ..	360		335
1			Bookbinders—Sub-Overseer ... ..	288		268
		Grade.				
4		1st	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers ... ..	204		768
6		2nd	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers ... ..	186		1,050
5		3rd	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers ... ..	168		790
2			Bookbinders' Assistants ... ..	144		274
		Grade.				
6		1st	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	72		440
4		2nd	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	66		264
2		3rd	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	60		120
3		4th	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators) ... ..	54		162
1			Printers—Foreman ... ..	300		279
		Grade.				
1		1st	Printers' Machineman ... ..	204		198
3		2nd	Printers' Machinemen ... ..	186		525
6		3rd	Printers' Machinemen ... ..	168		948
1			Machine Assistant, Senior ... ..	132		126
6			Machine Assistants ... ..	108		616
1			Paper Wetter ... ..	132		126
1			Roller Caster ... ..	144		137
1			Electrotyper ... ..	234		220
1			Carpenter ... ..	156		148
3			Warehouseman's Assistants ... ..	150		428



Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION NO. 41.				
			Maxi- mum. £	
1	Senior Messenger	... ..	156	147
1	Junior Messenger	... ..	72	72
1	Foreman Labourer	... ..	132	126
4	Labourers	... ..	120	368
1	Engineer's Assistant	... ..	192	181
1	Printers' Lithographic Foreman	... ..	288	268
1	Stone-grinder and Assistant Lithographic Printer	... ..	132	126
90				12,940
136		Total SALARIES	...	23,117
Subdivision No. 3.				
	Printers—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, including Printing of Electoral Rolls and Printing under Contract	... ..		10,000
	Bookbinders—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, and Binding under Contract	... ..		1,500
1	Stationer	... ..		188
				11,688
Subdivision No. 4.				
	Paper and Parchment	... ..		6,000
	Water-marked and other Paper for Stamp Printing	... ..		1,078
	Type, &c.	... ..		100
	Bookbinders' Materials, Stores, and Printing Ink	... ..		1,750
	Machinery and Repairs	... ..		600
	Fuel, Light, and Water	... ..		800
	Incidental Expenses, including Police Attendance	... ..		100
				10,428
		Total Division No. 41	...	45,233
		The sum of ...	...	29,703
DIVISION NO. 42.				
	ADVERTISING	... ..		5,000
		The sum of ...	...	3,800
DIVISION NO. 43.				
	GRANT TO CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS (including Salary of Inspector of Public Charities, £712, and Fourth Class Clerk, £270)	... ..		100,000
		The sum of ...	...	75,000

	£	£
DIVISION No. 44.		
TRANSPORT, SAMPLES, AND MARINE INSURANCE ...	2,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,500
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DIVISION No. 45.		
UNFORESEEN AND ACCIDENTAL EXPENDITURE ...	2,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,000
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DIVISION No. 46.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Pension to Hugh Dougherty, late Sergeant-Instructor of the Local Forces, 3s. 9d. per diem ... ..	£68 12 6	
Additional Pension for further service as Attendant at the Law Courts ... ..	10 14 6	
	£79 7 0	80
To refund to Phillis Evans portion of licence-fee paid by her for Refreshment-room at the Railway Station, Bealiba, the lease having been terminated by the Railways Commissioners ... ..		23
Total Division No. 46 ... ..		103
The sum of ... ..	...	83

Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Supply the details of a certain resolution, the full amount of which has been already reported to the House, and which were read and are as follow :—

	£	£
DIVISION No. 47.		
ADVANCE TO TREASURER.		
To enable the Treasurer to make advances to Public Officers and others	150,000	

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896–7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

### VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 48.				
DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.				
SALARIES.				
ADMINISTRATIVE AND PAY BRANCH.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
FIRST DIVISION.				
1		Secretary ... ..	792	
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Paymaster Naval and Military Forces ...	546	
2	4	Clerks ... ..	590	
3	5	Clerks ... ..	466	
6			1,602	
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Messenger, Junior... ..	72	
8		Total SALARIES Administrative and Pay Branch	2,466	
ORDNANCE AND MILITARY STORES BRANCH.				
Subdivision No. 4.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Controller of Stores ... ..	546	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	198	
4	5	Clerks ... ..	661	
6			1,405	
Subdivision No. 5.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Armourer ... ..	222	189
1		Carpenter and Wheeler ... ..	150	126
1		Saddle and Harness Maker ... ..	156	143
7		Foreman,* Store Assistants and Labourers, from £6 10s. to £11 10s. per month ...	138	782
1		Messenger, Junior ... ..	72	72
1		Blacksmith ... ..	150	143
1		Assistant Armourer ... ..	150	143
1		Caretaker, Langwarrin Camp ... ..	156	147
14			1,745	
Subdivision No. 6.				
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>				
1		Ordnance Fitter and Inspector Ordnance Machinery	414	
21		Total SALARIES Ordnance and Military Stores Branch	3,564	
Subdivision No. 7.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Temporary Assistance ... ..	150	
		Stationery, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals ... ..	250	
			400	
		Total Administrative, Pay, and Stores Branches	6,430	
Subdivision No. 8.				
CADET CORPS.				
SALARIES.				
1		Officer Commanding † ... ..	386	
1		Staff Officer ‡ ... ..	320	
2			706	

\* With quarters, fuel, and light.—† With allowance for quarters, £80 to Officer Commanding Cadets.—‡ With quarter ; transferred from Head-Quarters Staff.

		£	£
DIVISION No. 48.			
Subdivision No. 9.—CONTINGENCIES.			
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officer Commanding	...	60
	Travelling Expenses	...	75
	Incidentals and Band Allowance	...	60
	Free Ammunition	...	500
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	20
	Effective Allowance	...	500
			<u>1,215</u>
	Total Cadet Corps	...	1,921
Subdivision No. 10.			
	MOUNTED RIFLES.		
	SALARIES.		
1	Officer Commanding *	...	560
1	Adjutant †	...	242
7	Instructors at from £150 to £173 per annum (without quarters) ‡	...	1,087
			<u>1,889</u>
9			
Subdivision No. 11.—CONTINGENCIES.			
	Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	35
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officer Commanding	...	70
	Forage Officers §	...	100
	Forage and Horse Hire—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	380
	Travelling Expenses—Officers, Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	450
	Capitation and Effective Allowance	...	1,400
	Free Ammunition	...	1,000
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	100
	Hire of Rooms for Storage of Arms, &c.	...	110
	Inspection of Corps by Major-General Commanding	...	135
	Bridles	...	145
	Incidentals	...	130
			<u>4,055</u>
	Total Mounted Rifles	...	5,944
Subdivision No. 12.			
	VICTORIAN RANGERS.		
	SALARIES.		
1	Officer Commanding	...	475
1	Adjutant †	...	279
8	Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers at from £150 to £173 per annum (without quarters) ‡	...	1,276
			<u>2,030</u>
10			
Subdivision No. 13.—CONTINGENCIES.			
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officer Commanding	...	65
	Forage Officer Commanding and Adjutant ¶	...	100
	Free Ammunition	...	1,100
	Capitation and Effective Allowance	...	1,550
	Travelling Expenses	...	500
	Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	40
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	100
	Incidentals	...	100
	Cleaning, Lighting, and Rent of Drill Rooms	...	420
			<u>3,975</u>
	Total Victorian Rangers	...	6,005

\* With allowance for quarters, £70 to Officer Commanding Mounted Rifles.—† With quarters.—‡ Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—§ Forage allowed for one horse to Officer Commanding and one to Adjutant at £50 per annum.—|| With allowance for quarters, £65 to Officer Commanding Victorian Rangers.—¶ Forage allowed for one horse each to Officer Commanding and Adjutant at £50 per annum.

DIVISION No. 48.

Subdivision No. 14.

RIFLE CLUBS.

Free Ammunition	...	...	...	...	...	...	500
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Subdivision No. 15.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Annual Grant, Victorian Rifle Association, including Prizes for Rifle Clubs	...	...	...	...	...	...	500
Queen's Prize, Victorian Rifle Association	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
To replenish the Ammunition Fund the Loss on Supply of Free Ammunition issued to the Permanent and Militia Forces, and on that sold at reduced rates to Permanent and Militia Forces, Rifle Clubs, Victorian Rangers, Victorian Mounted Rifles, and Victorian Rifle Association	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,000
Annual Allowance to Lieut.-Col. W. H. Snee, injured on duty (in addition to pension of £240 per annum)	...	...	...	...	...	...	60
Compensation as recommended by Boards of Inquiry to members injured on duty	...	...	...	...	...	...	75
Additional Gratuity to G. M. McKenzie, permanently injured whilst on duty	...	...	...	...	...	...	40
							3,700

Subdivision No. 16.

NAVAL FORCES.

Number.	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.						£	£
1	Naval Commandant†	...	...	...	...	...	1,050	
1	Commander†	...	...	...	...	...	600	
4	Lieutenants	...	...	...	...	350	1,268	
1	Staff-Surgeon†	...	...	...	...	150	150	
1	Fleet Engineer (in lieu of Chief Engineer)	...	...	...	...	450	411	
3	Engineers	...	...	...	...	240	833	
2	Chief Gunners...	...	...	...	...	210	452	
6	Gunners, 2nd Class	...	...	...	...	160	1,127	
1	Carpenter, 2nd Class	...	...	...	...	160	138	
1	Assistant Paymaster or Clerk	...	...	...	...	200	188	
21								6,217

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† Under special engagement.

Number.					£	£
	DIVISION NO. 48.					
	Subdivision No. 17.					
	SALARIES.—PETTY OFFICERS AND MEN.				Maximum. Per day.*	
					<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1	Chief Engine-room Artificer	...	...	...	10	0
7	Engine-room and Torpedo Artificers	...	...	...	8	6
3	Chief Leading Stokers	...	...	...	7	0
7	Leading Stokers	...	...	...	6	6
6	Stokers	...	...	...	5	6
14	Stokers	...	...	...	5	0
2	Chief Petty Officers	...	...	...	7	0
9	1st Class Petty Officers	...	...	...	6	6
10	Leading Seamen	...	...	...	5	6
59	Able Seamen	...	...	...	5	0
7	Training Seamen	...	...	...	3	6
4	Boys	...	...	...	2	0
1	Ship's Corporal	...	...	...	6	6
1	Chief Armourer	...	...	...	8	6
1	Painter	...	...	...	6	0
1	Carpenter's Mate	...	...	...	7	0
4	Carpenters and Joiners	...	...	...	5	6
1	Armourer's Mate	...	...	...	5	6
5	Cooks	...	...	...	5	0
1	Chief Ship's Steward	...	...	...	8	0
3	Officers' Steward, 2nd Class	...	...	...	4	0
1	Officers' Servant	...	...	...	5	0
1	Naval Storekeeper	...	...	...	6	6
1	Officers' Messman	...	...	...	5	6
4	Officers' Stewards, 1st Class	...	...	...	5	0
1	Sick Berth Attendant	...	...	...	6	0
1	Sail-maker	...	...	...	6	0
156						
177	<i>Rating Allowances in addition to Pay.</i>					
	Torpedo Instructors	...	...	...	0	6
	Seamen Gunners	...	...	...	0	4
	Carpenters (tool money)	...	...	...	0	3
	Divers (allowance)	...	...	...	0	3
	Leading Signalmen	...	...	...	0	4
	Signalmen	...	...	...	0	2
	Buglers	...	...	...	0	3
	Blacksmith	...	...	...	1	0
					15,531	
	Total SALARIES, Naval Forces	...	...	...	21,748	
	Subdivision No. 18.					
	CONTINGENCIES.					
	Provisions	...	...	...	2,700	
	Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	600	
	Repairs to Machinery and Hulls	...	...	...	100	
	Docking	...	...	...	400	
	Stores	...	...	...	1,500	
	Incidentals	...	...	...	200	
	Allowances to Officers and Men of Permanent Force and Naval Brigade undergoing special courses of instruction	...	...	...	100	
	Expenses in connexion with despatch of Officers to England for courses of instruction	...	...	...	110	
					5,710	
	Total Naval Forces	...	...	...	27,458	

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 48.		
	Subdivision No. 19.		
	NAVAL BRIGADE.		
	<i>Permanent Staff.</i>	Maxi- mum.*	
		£	
2	Gunnery Instructors† ... ..	185	400
	Subdivision No. 20.		
	<i>Naval Brigade Pay.</i>		
1	Lieut.-Commander or Lieutenant ... ..	} Stokers, £6 15s. per annum; A. B.'s, £8 5s.; and other ranks in proportion.	
3	Gunners ... ..		
6	Engineers ... ..		
5	1st Class Petty Officers ... ..		
6	2nd Class Petty Officers ... ..		
129	Able Seamen, Stokers, &c. ... ..		
150			1,240
152	Total Naval Brigade Pay ... ..		1,640
	Subdivision No. 21.		
	CONTINGENCIES.		
	Effective Allowance ... ..		300
	Stores ... ..		10
	Incidentals ... ..		100
			410
	Total Naval Brigade ... ..		2,050
	Subdivision No. 22.		
	PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.		
	HEAD-QUARTERS STAFF.		
	SALARIES.		
1	Major-General Commanding† ... ..		1,250
1	Lieut.-Colonel—Assistant Adjutant-General † ... ..		546
1	Lieut.-Colonel—Staff Officer for Artillery† ... ..		850
1	Warrant Officer† ... ..		180
4			2,826

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters.—‡ Under special engagement.

						£	£
DIVISION No. 48.							
Subdivision No. 23.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
	Lodging Allowance—Warrant Officer	...	...	...	...	37	
	Forage Allowances *	...	...	...	...	100	
	Travelling Expenses and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	325	
	Passages of Officers, &c.	...	...	...	...	240	
						702	
Total Head-Quarters Staff ...						...	3,528
Subdivision No. 24.							
PERMANENT STAFF MILITIA.							
SALARIES.							
					Maxi- mum.†		
					£		
2	Adjutants †	...	...	...	...	355	531
2	Warrant Officers, Garrison and Brigade Sergeants-Major § ¶	...	...	...	...	180	} 3,979
7	Warrant Officers—1st Class § ¶	...	...	...	...	150	
18	Non-Commissioned Officers ¶	...	...	...	...	127	
						4,510	
29							
Subdivision No. 25.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
	Allowances in lieu of Quarters—Adjutants	...	...	...	...	60	
	Lodging Allowances—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	130	
	Forage Allowances—Adjutants **	...	...	...	...	100	
	Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	160	
	Travelling Expenses and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	190	
						640	
Total Permanent Staff Militia ...						...	5,150
Subdivision No. 26.							
MILITARY STAFF CLERKS.							
SALARIES.							
					Maxi- mum.†		
					£		
1	Sergeant-Major	...	...	...	...	285	181
5	Sergeants	...	...	...	...	160	680
						861	
6							
Subdivision No. 27.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
	Uniform Allowances	...	...	...	...	36	
	Travelling Expenses and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	40	
						76	
Total Military Staff Clerks ...						...	937

\* Forage allowed for one horse each to Assistant Adjutant-General and A.D.C. to Commandant at £50 per annum.—† Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—‡ With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof, £60.—§ Three Warrant Officers specially engaged from £180 to £374 per annum.—¶ With quarters, fuel, and light.—¶ With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof at £23 per annum.—\*\* Forage allowed for one horse each at £50 per annum.



Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 48.		
	Subdivision No. 28.		
	VICTORIAN ARTILLERY.		
	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.	Maxi- mum*	
		£	
1	Major† ... ..	485	473
2	Captains † ... ..	855	740
6	Lieutenants† ... ..	256	1,444
1	Surgeon-Captain † ... ..	300	279
1	Adjutant † ... ..	256	294
11			3,230
	SALARIES.—WARRANT, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AND MEN.	Per Day.	
4	Warrant Officers ... ..	7/6	
4	Company Sergeants-Major and Staff Sergeants ... ..	6/3	
14	Sergeants ... ..	5/9	
16	Corporals ... ..	4/9	
13	Bombardiers ... ..	4/3	
5	Armament Artificers ... ..	9/6	
1	Blacksmith ... ..	9/6	
1	Engine-driver ... ..	7/6	
1	Coxswain ... ..	7/6	
2	Deck-hands ... ..	6/-	
1	Fireman ... ..	6/-	
4	Trumpeters ... ..	3/6	
203	Gunners ... ..	3/6	
8	Boys ... ..	2/-	
277			17,644
288	Total SALARIES, Victorian Artillery ... ..		20,874
	Subdivision No. 29.		
	CONTINGENCIES.		
	Working Pay ... ..		50
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officers ... ..		250
	Lodging Allowances—Non-commissioned Officers, &c. ... ..		320
	Travelling Expenses ... ..		140
	Forage ... ..		50
	Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..		880
	Special Duty Pay ... ..		870
	Incidentals ... ..		500
	Clothing ... ..		1,250
	Rations ... ..		4,000
	Stores ... ..		820
			9,130
	Deduct amount to be repaid by Department of Public Health ... ..		100
			9,030
	Total Victorian Artillery ... ..		29,904

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof—Major at £70, Captains at £65, Lieutenants and Adjutant at £55 per annum.—‡ Under special agreement.

Number.	DIVISION No. 48.						£	£
	Subdivision No. 30.							
	PERMANENT SECTION VICTORIAN ENGINEERS.						Maximum Pay.*	
	SALARIES.						£	
1	Captain ††	...	...	...	...	360	305	
1	Lieutenant §	...	...	...	...	295	252	
3	Warrant Officers	...	...	...	...	240	655	
5								1,212
1	Sergeant	...	...	...	per day	7/6		
3	Corporals	...	...	...	"	7/-		
3	Engine-drivers	...	...	...	"	8/3		
1	Coxswain	...	...	...	"	8/3		
18	Sappers	...	...	...	"	7/-		
26								3,298
31	Total SALARIES, Permanent Section Victorian Engineers							4,510
Subdivision No. 31.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Allowance—Staff Officer, at £35 per annum (including arrears, 8th May, 1896, to 30th June, 1896)							38	
Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officers							55	
Lodging Allowance, Non-commissioned Officers, &c.							42	
Field and Travelling Expenses							50	
Clothing							150	
Fuel, Stores, &c.							500	
							835	
Total Permanent Section Victorian Engineers							5,345	
Subdivision No. 32.								
MILITIA PAY.								
<i>Head-Quarters Staff.</i>								
1	Colonel	...	...	...	...	} Militia Rates as per Regulations.		
1	Lieutenant-Colonel	...	...	...	...			
1	Major	...	...	...	...			
1	Brigade-Surgeon	...	...	...	...			
1	Inspecting Veterinary Surgeon	...	...	...	...			
5								

\* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters.—‡ With allowance whilst acting as Staff Officer for Engineers, £35 per annum.—§ With allowance in lieu of quarters, £55 per annum.

Number.		£	£
	<b>DIVISION No. 48.</b>		
	<i>Victorian Horse Artillery.</i>		
		Maximum.	
1	Major ... ..		
1	Lieutenant ... ..		
1	Battery Quartermaster-Sergeant . .		
3	Sergeants ... ..		
3	Corporals ... ..		
12	Drivers ... ..		
1	Trumpeter ... ..		
24	Gunners ... ..		
46			
	<i>Field Artillery (Three Batteries).</i>		
1	Lieutenant-Colonel ... ..		
3	Majors ... ..		
3	Captains ... ..		
1	Adjutant ... ..		
9	Lieutenants ... ..		
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant		
3	Battery Quartermaster-Sergeants ...		
18	Sergeants ... ..		
3	Sergeant-Farriers ... ..		
3	Sergeant-Collarmakers ... ..		
18	Corporals ... ..		
75	Drivers ... ..		
3	Armourer-Sergeants ... ..		
3	Trumpeters ... ..		
125	Gunners ... ..		
269			
	<i>Garrison Artillery (Seven Batteries).</i>		
1	Lieutenant-Colonel ... ..		
4	Majors ... ..		
8	Captains ... ..		
16	Lieutenants ... ..		
33	Sergeants ... ..		
33	Corporals ... ..		
6	Armament Artificers ... ..		
8	Trumpeters ... ..		
566	Gunners ... ..		
675			
	<i>Victorian Engineers, Submarine Mining Company.</i>		
1	Major ... ..		
3	Lieutenants ... ..		
1	Company Sergeant-Major ... ..		
5	Sergeants ... ..		
4	Corporals ... ..		
1	Bugler ... ..		
50	Sappers (Class A) ... ..		
19	Sappers ... ..		
84			
	<i>Queenscliff Section.</i>		
12	Sappers ... ..		
96			

Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.

Number.		Maximum.	£	£	
<b>DIVISION No. 48.</b>					
<i>Victorian Engineers, Field Company.</i>					
1	Captain ... ..	} Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.			
3	Lieutenants ... ..				
1	Company Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..				
4	Sergeants ... ..				
4	Corporals ... ..				
12	Drivers ... ..				
1	Bugler ... ..				
49	Sappers ... ..				
75					
<i>Infantry.</i>					
1	Colonel ... ..	} Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.			
4	Lieutenant-Colonels ... ..				
4	Majors ... ..				
16	Captains ... ..				
48	Lieutenants ... ..				
4	Assistant Adjutants ... ..				
4	Quartermasters ... ..				
4	Bandmasters ... ..				
4	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeants ... ..				
4	Staff-Sergeants ... ..				
16	Colour-Sergeants ... ..				
64	Sergeants ... ..				
64	Corporals ... ..				
4	Armourer-Sergeants ... ..				
4	Assistant Armourers ... ..				
32	Buglers ... ..				
1448	Privates ... ..				
1725					
<i>Ambulance Corps.</i>					
1	Surgeon-Major ... ..		} Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.		
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..				
1	Staff-Sergeant ... ..				
2	Sergeants ... ..				
3	Corporals ... ..				
32	Privates ... ..				
40					
<i>Army Service Corps.</i>					
1	Major ... ..	} Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.			
1	Captain ... ..				
3	Lieutenants ... ..				
1	Company Sergeant-Major ... ..				
1	Company Quartermaster-Sergeant ... ..				
4	Sergeants ... ..				
5	Corporals ... ..				
23	Privates ... ..				
39					
<i>Medical Staff.</i>					
5	Surgeons-Major ... ..	} Privates £6 5s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.	Maximum.		
10	Surgeons ... ..		Militia Rates as per Regulations.		
15					
Total Militia Pay ... ..			18,800		

	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
Subdivision No. 33.		
MILITIA CONTINGENCIES.		
Effective Allowance ... ..	5,900	
Forage Allowance and Horsing Guns ... ..	3,200	
Allowances—Bands ... ..	200	
Incidentals ... ..	1,000	
	10,300	
Total Militia ... ..	29,100	
Subdivision No. 34.		
ORDNANCE BRANCH.		
Warlike Stores ... ..	1,500	
Greatcoats, Accoutrements, Helmets, &c. ... ..	500	
Railway Transport ... ..	950	
Five Maxim Guns (including Freight) ... ..	2,130	
Heavy-gun Ammunition, &c. ... ..	3,000	
	8,080	
Subdivision No. 35.		
ENCAMPMENTS.		
Expenses in connexion with Easter Encampment ... ..	400	
SPECIAL CAMP OF INSTRUCTION.		
Submarine Mining Company ... ..	300	
	700	
Subdivision No. 36.		
Proportion to be provided by the Colony of Victoria towards expenditure in connexion with Defences at Thursday Island ... ..	2,100	
Proportion to be provided by the Colony of Victoria towards expenditure in connexion with Defences at King George's Sound ... ..	1,200	
	3,300	
Total Division No. 48 ... ..	140,052	
The sum of ... ..	...	97,592

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896–7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 49.		
		SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Lands and Registrar of Land Tax ...	712	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	S.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Surveyor-General ... ..	700	546
2		Senior Assistant Surveyors ... ..	385	717
5		Assistant Surveyors ... ..	360	1,464
1		Draughtsman ... ..	360	335
6		Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	200	1,031
15				4,093
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Chief Clerk and Accountant ... ..		447
4	3	Clerks ... ..		1,753
23	4	Clerks ... ..		6,314
57	5	Clerks ... ..		10,293
2	3	Draughtsmen ... ..		893
		Grade.		
		1 Four Draughtsmen ... ..		1,116
16	4f }	2 Three Draughtsmen ... ..		754
		3 Nine Draughtsmen ... ..		2,032
1	4	Lithographer ... ..		279
1	4	Photographer ... ..		326
2	5	Lithographers ... ..		376
16	5	Draughtsmen ... ..		2,976
123				27,559

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 49.				
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Engraver ... ..	360	335
1		Lithographic Printer ... ..	240	192
3		Ordinary Printers ... ..	192	476
2		Assistant Printers ... ..	120	211
1		Stone Polisher ... ..	132	126
1		Assistant Photographer and Printer ... ..	216	170
10		Crown Land Bailiffs ... ..	204	1,683
1		Engineer ... ..	216	170
1		Messenger and Attendant ... ..	120	114
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	138
1		Plan Moulder ... ..	150	143
1		Housekeeper ... ..	48	75
25				3,833
164		Total SALARIES ... ..		36,197
Subdivision No. 5.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Office Cleaners ... ..		800
		Equipment Allowances (Surveyors) ... ..		650
		Forage Allowances (Bailiffs) ... ..		800
		Allowances to Crown Land Bailiffs and other Officers not connected with Lands Department ... ..		100
		Wages of Labourers in Survey Parties ... ..		2,610
		Fuel, Light, and Water ... ..		130
		Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses, &c. ... ..		1,350
		Photographic Stores ... ..		100
		Travelling Expenses ... ..		1,300
		Commission on Sales of Land ... ..		100
		Claims under Land Acts ... ..		200
		Police Rewards ... ..		200
				8,340
Subdivision No. 6.				
		Surveys by Contract, Surveys of Standard Lines, Feature Surveys, and Road Surveys ... ..		2,000
		Surveys under the <i>Settlement on Lands Act 1893</i> .. ..		200
				2,200
		Total Division No. 49 ... ..		46,737
		The sum of ... ..		34,587

Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 50.</b>		
		<b>PUBLIC PARKS, GARDENS, AND RESERVES.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
2		Gardeners ... ..	Maxi- mum. £ 132	251
		Subdivision No. 2.—( <i>Inalterable.</i> )		
		No. 1. Maintenance and Improvement of Treasury Gardens and Studley Park ... ..		375
		2. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving the following Gardens and Parks, jointly vested in the Board of Land and Works and the City Council of Melbourne, on the understanding that a sum of £2,000 be contributed by such Council, viz.:—Fitzroy Gardens, Carlton Gardens, Flagstaff Gardens, Yarra Park, Prince's Park, Fawkner Park, Flinders Park, Lincoln Square, Argyle Square, Curtain Square, Macarthur Square, Murchison Square, Darling Square, and University Square ... ..		1,688
		3. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Edinburgh Gardens, City of Fitzroy, on the understanding that a sum of £200 be contributed by the Fitzroy City Council ... ..		200
		4. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Richmond Park, City of Richmond, on the understanding that a sum of £70 be contributed by the Richmond City Council ... ..		70
		5. Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Darling Gardens, City of Collingwood, on the understanding that a sum of £150 be contributed by the Collingwood City Council ... ..		150
				2,483
		<b>Total Division No. 50</b> ... ..		2,734
		The sum of ... ..		1,871
		<b>DIVISION No. 51.</b>		
		<b>BOTANICAL AND DOMAIN GARDENS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>		
1½	Sc.	Curator of Botanical Gardens* ... ..		546
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	4	Clerk† ... ..		279
1	5	Clerk ... ..		163
2				442

\* With quarters.—† With quarters while residing at Botanical Gardens.





Number.	Classification		£	£
		<b>DIVISION No. 53.</b>		
		<b>EXTIRPATION OF RABBITS AND WILD ANIMALS.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Chief Inspector under the Vermin Destruction Act ... ..	370	299
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
1	5	Clerk ... ..		133
2		<b>Total SALARIES ... ..</b>		<b>432</b>
		<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>		
		Expenses generally in carrying out the Vermin Destruction Act, including subsidies to Shire Councils and Vermin Boards for the destruction of foxes and wild dogs, also for erection and repairs of vermin-proof fencing on Crown lands ... ..		13,000
		<b>Total Division No. 53 ... ..</b>		<b>13,432</b>
		<b>The sum of ... ..</b>		<b>9,822</b>
		<b>DIVISION No. 54.</b>		
		<b>STATE FORESTS AND NURSERIES.</b>		
		<b>SALARIES.</b>		
		<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>		
		<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>		
	G.		Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Conservator of Forests ... ..	750	668
1		Inspector of Forests ... ..	400	343
1		Assistant Inspector of Forests ... ..	290	252
3				1,263
		<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>		
		<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
2	4	Clerks ... ..		578
1	4f	Draughtsman .. ..		226
1	5	Clerk ... ..		188
4				992
		<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>		
		<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
22	f	Foresters ... ..	204	2,631
29		<b>Total SALARIES ... ..</b>		<b>4,886</b>

	£	£
DIVISION No. 54.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowances, Travelling Expenses, Incidentals, &c. ... ..	2,325	
Tools, Stores, &c. ... ..	100	
Forage for Cart-horses, &c. ... ..	75	
Maintenance of Grounds, Governor's residence, Macedon ... ..	310	
Fencing State Forests, Wire Netting, &c. ... ..	175	
Rewards for information <i>re</i> careless use of Fire in State Forests ... ..	10	
Planting and Thinning Trees, Purchase of Seeds, Carriage, and Extension of Wattle and other Plantations ... ..	748	
Labour in connexion with Planting and Thinning Trees, &c. ... ..	2,100	
	5,843	
Total Division No. 54 ... ..	10,729	
The sum of ... ..	...	7,999
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DIVISION No. 55.		
VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS AND LABOUR COLONIES.		
Village Settlements and Expenses connected therewith ... ..	16,000	
Labour Colonies ... ..	1,500	
Total Division No. 55 ... ..	17,500	
The sum of ... ..	...	11,500
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DIVISION No. 56.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses of Engine-driver, West Melbourne Swamp ... ..	50	
2. Improvement of Albert Park and Lake ... ..	500	
3. To the Trustees of the Ocean Park, Sorrento, licence-fees for Grazing and Lime sites ... ..	4	
4. To Rachel Smith, compensation for being deprived of portion of land, parish of Wangaratta ... ..	45	
5. Gratuity to the Widow of the late G. F. Fynch, Clerk, Lands Department, equal to nine months' pay ... ..	150	
6. Gratuity to the Mother of the late James Anderson, Printer, Lands Department, equal to nine months' pay ... ..	108	
Total Division No. 56 ... ..	857	
The sum of ... ..	...	387

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896–7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

### VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
DIVISION No. 57.				
PUBLIC WORKS.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
FIRST DIVISION.				
Secretary for Public Works (see Secretary for Agriculture).				
Subdivision No. 2.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Inspector-General of Public Works ...	1000	880
		Grade.		
1	"	1 Architect ... ..	600	546
3	"	2 Architects ... ..	500	1,380
6	"	Assistant Architects ... ..	360	1,995
1	"	Engineer of Roads and Bridges and Harbor Works ... ..	600	423
1	"	Engineer of Defence Works ... ..	600	491
1	"	Engineer of Dredging Operations ... ..	400	291
1	" <sup>f</sup>	Assistant Engineer ... ..	360	279
1	"	District Inspector—To 9th September, 1896	400	72
4	"	Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	200	736
20				7,093
Subdivision No. 3.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Chief Clerk and Accountant ... ..		447
4	4	Clerks ... ..		1,014
1	4	Clerk and Draughtsman ... ..		317
1	4	Draughtsman ... ..		314
1	4 <sup>f</sup>	Inspector of Road Works ... ..		242
11	5	Clerks ... ..		1,922
3	5	Architectural Draughtsmen ... ..		376
5	5	Junior Draughtsmen ... ..		834
26				5,466
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	1	Inspector of Works ... ..	300	279
14	2	Inspectors of Works ... ..	276	3,416
2		Type-writers ... ..	144	228
1		Caretaker, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	240	226
1		Messenger ... ..	120	107
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	141
4		Engineer Mechanics—Three at £221 14s. ...	210	823

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 57.				
		Maxi- mum.		
		£		
2	Cabinetmakers ... ..	168	316	
1	Carpenter ... ..	156	147	
1	Hall Porter, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens ... ..	126	120	
1	Night Watchman, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens ... ..	126	120	
5	Foreman of Labourers ... ..	132		
	Labourers, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens, at from £85 16s. 6d. to £120 ... ..	120	497	
1	Labourer, Government House ... ..	120	109	
1	Engineer, Dight's Falls—To 29th May, 1897	216	186	
<i>Dredging and Snagging Works.</i>				
3	Masters of Vessels ... ..	252	508	
1	Master of Dredge ... ..	210	170	
1	Coxswain ... ..	144	126	
3	Second Mates of Vessels ... ..	180	431	
2	Engineers ... ..	228	339	
1	Engine-driver at £156 10s. ... ..	156	148	
2	Firemen—One at £152 11s. ... ..	138	275	
1	Foreman, Dredging Works ... ..	192	181	
3	Divers' Attendants, occasionally acting as Divers—One at £140 17s. (to 5th June, 1897) ... ..	138	387	
	Extra pay, at 6s. per diem, for ditto when diving (say on 250 days) ... ..		225	
1	Diver's Attendant ... ..	126	120	
5	Deck Hands—Two at £127 2s. ... ..	120	584	
1	Labourer ... ..	120	103	
61			10,312	
Subdivision No. 5.				
<i>Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.</i>				
1	Hall Attendant, Government House ...	120	114	
108				
Total SALARIES ... ..			22,985	

## DIVISION No. 57.

## Subdivision No. 6.

## CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Temporary Assistance ... ..	100	
Travelling Expenses ... ..	2,500	
Lithographing, Printing Bills of Quantities, &c., and Mounting Plans...	30	
Stores, Printed Books, &c., and Incidental Expenses ... ..	350	
Lighting for Government House ... ..	300	
Fuel, Light, Keeper's Stores, Incidentals, and Charwomen, New Government Offices ... ..	900	
Cleaning and Maintaining Closets and Urinals at Government Buildings, Melbourne and Suburbs ... ..	1,600	
Expenses of the Municipal Surveyors' Board, including Allowance to Secretary, £25 per annum, and to three Examiners, not to exceed £40 each per annum (total expenditure not to exceed the amount of fees received) ... ..	150	
	5,930	
Total Division No. 57 ... ..	28,915	
The sum of ... ..	...	21,626

## DIVISION No. 58.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities — (Inalterable):—			
J. T. Hislop ... ..	...	...	£86 13 4
R. Jardon ... ..	...	...	46 12 3
J. Anderson ... ..	...	...	46 12 3
J. Walker ... ..	...	...	124 16 0
J. W. Crawley ... ..	...	...	230 0 0
A. McHarg ... ..	...	...	135 5 0
			£669 18 10
			670
The sum of ... ..	...	...	...

500

## DIVISION No. 59.

## WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

## Subdivision No. 1.

WHARFS, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.—(*Inalterable*).

	£	£
No. 1. Dredging Operations, Snagging, and other Harbor and River Improvements in the Colony outside the jurisdiction of the Melbourne Harbor Trust, including Pay for Temporary Employés, Repairs to and Stores for Steam Dredges and other Plant, the Landing and Spreading of Silt, also Surveys and Borings, &c. ... ..	14,000	
2. Towards Clearing the River Murray ... ..	800	
3. Completion of Removal of Reefs and other Improvements in River Yarra between Queen's and Prince's Bridges ...	3,000	
4. Harbor Works, Port Fairy ... ..	1,000	
5. Repairs and Additions to Jetties, Sheds, Approaches, &c., Geelong ... ..	1,000	
6. Repairs and Additions to Wharfs, Sheds, Jetties, and Approaches throughout the Colony ... ..	1,250	
7. Towards Completion and Maintenance of the New Entrance to the Gippsland Lakes ... ..	1,000	
8. Harbor Works, Warrnambool ... ..	600	
9. Towards Extension of Jetty, 30 feet riverwards, Swan Hill ...	600	
10. Harbor Works, Portland ... ..	1,000	
11. Towards Repairs and Renewals to Jetty, Shed, and Approaches, Sorrento ... ..	300	
12. Geelong Town Council.—Towards providing a Lock in the River Barwon at the Breakwater, Council to expend £400 additional ... ..	400	
		24,950

## Subdivision No. 2.

POLICE BUILDINGS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Police Buildings and Works for Police, including Transport, Land, Furniture, Repairs, and Additions ... ..	3,000	
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## Subdivision No. 3.

GAOLS AND PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Buildings, Repairs, and other Works for Gaols, Penal Buildings, Hulks, &c., including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	3,500	
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## Subdivision No. 4.

## LUNATIC ASYLUMS.

No. 1. Repairs and other Works at Lunatic Asylums throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	5,000	
2. Towards Erection of Boundary Walls, Formation of Yards, Erection of Out-buildings, &c., for New Wards, Lunatic Asylum, Sunbury ... ..	4,500	
		9,500

## Subdivision No. 5.

REFORMATORIES AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Repairs and Additions to Buildings and other Works for Department of Industrial and Reformatory Schools, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ... ..	700	
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	£	£
DIVISION No. 59.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
COURT HOUSES—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Erection of Court Houses for the holding of Courts of Assize, General and Petty Sessions, County Courts and Courts of Mines, Morgues, and for Sheriffs' and Keepers' Quarters, including Repairs and Additions, Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing ... ..	2,500	
2. Alterations, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c., New Law Courts, Melbourne ... ..	400	
	2,900	
Subdivision No. 7.		
LIGHT-HOUSES AND LIGHT-SHIPS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Repairs, Additions, and other Works for Light-houses, Keepers' Quarters, Light-ships, including Fittings, Furniture, Roads, and Fencing (exclusive of Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, and Eddystone Point), also Erection and Renewal of and Repairs to Jetty and Channel Lamps ... ..	1,250	
Subdivision No. 8.		
POWDER MAGAZINES, ETC.		
No. 1. Erection of and Repairs and Additions to Powder Magazines, Buildings for Storage of Explosive Compounds, and Keepers' Quarters throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, Fencing, &c. ... ..	300	
Subdivision No. 9.		
LANDS AND SURVEY.		
No. 1. Buildings and Repairs and Additions to Buildings under the Department of Lands and Survey, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing, and Works in Botanical Gardens and Government House Domain, also Cottages for Foresters in State Forests, and Repairs and Additions to Buildings at State Nurseries, including Fencing ... ..	750	
Subdivision No. 10.		
TREASURY BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Buildings, Repairs, Additions, &c., at Receipt and Pay Offices throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing ... ..	250	



	£	£
DIVISION No. 59.		
Subdivision No. 11.		
SUNDRY WORKS, MELBOURNE—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Additions and Repairs, &c., at Parliament Buildings, including Fittings, Furniture, Ventilating, Fencing, Electric Lighting Fittings, and maintenance and cost of working during the Session ... ..	1,500	
2. Repairs, Additions, Fittings, and Furniture, &c., for Government Printing Office ... ..	150	
3. Repairs, &c., Glass Cases, Fittings, and Furniture for Public Library and National Gallery and Museums ... ..	300	
4. Repairs and Additions to Observatory and Quarters, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ... ..	100	
5. Additions, Repairs, Furniture, Fittings, Labour, &c., at Government House and Grounds, and at Cottage, Macedon ... ..	2,500	
6. Maintenance of Old Cemetery, including Wages, Tools, &c. ... ..	150	
7. Towards Completion of the Pumping, Storage, and Reticulation Works for supplying Water to Botanical Gardens, and for Mains for future extension from the River Yarra near Dight's Falls, and for the Maintenance and Working Expenses in connexion therewith ... ..	1,000	
8. Furniture, Glass Cases, Fittings, &c., for National Museum ... ..	200	
	5,900	
Subdivision No. 12.		
POST AND TELEGRAPH STATIONS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Additions, Alterations, and Repairs, General Post Office, Melbourne branches and Stables, including Fittings and Furniture ... ..	1,500	
2. Erection of and Repairs and Additions to Post and Telegraph Offices at other places throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Lands, and Fencing ... ..	5,000	
	6,500	
Subdivision No. 13.		
FENCES AND REPAIRS TO FENCES, ETC.—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Fencing Public Buildings, Sites, and Reserves under control of Government, including Repairs, &c. ... ..	50	
2. Fencing Police Paddocks and Buildings, including Repairs ... ..	200	
	250	
Subdivision No. 14.		
RENTS AND FURNITURE, ETC.—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Rent of Public Buildings, Offices, and Land for the use of the Government, and Allowances for Rent in lieu of quarters ... ..	15,600	
2. Furniture and Fittings for Public Offices and Buildings, including Repairs and Transport ... ..	750	
	16,350	
Subdivision No. 15.		
CUSTOMS, ETC., BUILDINGS—( <i>Inalterable</i> ).		
No. 1. Repairs, Painting, Alterations, Fittings, Furniture, &c., Customs Houses and Sheds, Melbourne and Williamstown ... ..	200	
2. Buildings, Repairs, Additions, &c., to Customs, &c., Buildings throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing ... ..	300	
	500	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 59.		
Subdivision No. 16.		
STATE SCHOOL BUILDINGS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c.; also Maintenance of Training College and Grounds ... ..	6,000	
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Repairs and Additions to Public Works and Buildings, including laying on Gas and Water ... ..	1,000	
2. To provide Telegraphic and Telephonic Communication for Police and other Government Buildings, including Maintenance by Post and Telegraph Department ... ..	500	
3. Repairs and other Works at Quarantine Station, Point Nepean, and Calf Lymph Depôt, Royal Park ... ..	950	
4. Insurance of sundry Government Buildings ... ..	900	
5. Conveyance of Silt, &c., and spreading same, to raise and drain low lands ... ..	500	
6. Other Public Works ... ..	3,000	
7. Towards erection of Viticultural College Buildings, &c., near Rutherglen ... ..	4,140	
8. Reclamation Works, &c., Elwood Swamp ... ..	200	
9. Cottage for Horticultural Expert at the Horticultural Society's Gardens, Burnley ... ..	450	
10. Castlemaine Borough—To assist the Council in clearing portions of Forest and Campbell's Creeks, Council to expend £250 additional ... ..	1,000	
11. Castle Donnington and Swan Hill Shires—To assist in constructing the Tutcheroop Channel, Councils to expend £600 additional ... ..	300	
12. North Ovens Shire—To assist in repairing damages to Tarrawingee Sludge Channel and the Telegraph-road, Council to expend £100 additional ... ..	100	
13. South Melbourne City—To assist in constructing Protecting Wall at Beaconsfield-parade to prevent encroachment of the sea, Council to expend £300 additional ... ..	300	
14. To assist various Municipalities in planting Grass to prevent encroachment of sand ... ..	500	
15. Buildings and Appliances, Experimental Tobacco Farm, Hedi ... ..	800	
	14,640	
Total Division No. 59 ... ..	97,240	
The sum of ... ..	...	69,340
DIVISION No. 60.		
DEFENCE WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Maintenance and Inspection of Forts, Batteries, &c., providing other necessary Works for Defence purposes; also for Naval and Military Buildings and Vessels, &c., including Additions, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ... ..	7,500	
2. For Defence Works, Thursday Island (total estimated cost, £23,053, to be paid by the Colonies conjointly) ... ..	180	
Total Division No. 60 ... ..	7,680	
The sum of ... ..	...	4,680

## DIVISION No. 61.

## ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.

	£	£
No. 1. Buninyong Shire—To assist in repairing Bridge over the Moorabool River on the Yendon to Egerton road at Lal Lal, Council to expend £90 additional ... ..	90	
2. Bulla Shire—To assist in erecting a Bridge on Road leading from the Sunbury Railway Station to the Lunatic Asylum, Council to expend £35 additional ... ..	35	
3. Buln Buln Shire—To assist in re-erecting a Bridge over the Musk Creek ... .. £75 Also in raising Road along the Lang Lang River in the Parish of Poowong East ... .. 125	200	
Council to expend £200 additional		
4. Bright Shire—To assist in repairing Road leading from Harrierville to Omeo, Council to expend £250 additional ...	250	
5. Brunswick and Essendon Towns and Coburg Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over Moonee Ponds Creek, Councils to expend £450 additional ... ..	150	
6. Coburg Shire—To assist in repairing Roads leading from Pentridge Stockade, Council to expend £250 additional ...	250	
7. Clunes Borough—To assist in rebuilding Bridge over the Creswick Creek at Clunes, Council to expend £1,000 additional ... ..	1,000	
8. Daylesford Borough—To assist in re-erecting Bridge over Wombat Creek on the Main Ballarat road, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	200	
9. Deakin and Numurkah Shires—To assist in constructing a Lifting Span on McCoy's Bridge over the Goulburn River	70	
10. Echuca Shire—To assist in constructing Bridge to Gunbower Island, Council to expend £100 additional ... ..	100	
11. Goulburn and Waranga Shires—To assist in repairing Bridge over the Goulburn River at Murchison, Councils to expend £175 additional ... ..	175	
12. Howqua Shire—To assist in repairing Mansfield, Jamieson, and Wood's Point road, Council to expend £200 additional ...	200	
13. Heytesbury Shire—To assist in making Roads in Forest Country, Council to expend £150 additional ... ..	150	
14. Marong Shire and Tarnagulla Borough—To assist in re-erecting a Bridge over the Loddon River at Newbridge, Councils to expend £700 additional ... ..	350	
15. Morwell Shire—To assist in reconstructing a Bridge over the Morwell River, Council to expend £100 additional ...	100	
16. Maryborough Borough—To assist in constructing Bridge over Main drain on Tullaroop-road, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	200	
17. Mansfield Shire—To assist in repairing the Mansfield to Jamieson road and erecting Bridge over McIntosh Creek, Council to expend £200 additional ... ..	200	
18. Poowong and Jeetho Shire—To assist in constructing Main Roads and Bridges thereon, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
19. Port Melbourne and Williamstown Towns—To assist in reconstructing the Williamstown Short Road, Councils to expend £1,000 additional ... ..	500	
20. Rosedale Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over Rosedale Creek on road leading from Rosedale to Glengarry, Council to expend £100 additional ... ..	100	
21. Rutherglen Shire—To assist in constructing Roads leading to the principal Mines, Council to expend £250 additional ...	250	
22. Talbot Shire—To further assist in reconstructing Bridge over Deep Creek, Council to expend £100 additional ... ..	100	
23. Village Settlements—To assist in clearing and making Roads to Village Settlements ... ..	2,000	
24. Winchelsea Shire—To assist in opening Roads in the Forest portion of Shire, Council to expend £250 additional ...	250	
25. Wodonga Shire—To assist in maintaining Albury to Wodonga road ... ..	400	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 61.		
No. 26. Walhalla Shire—To assist in executing <sup>o</sup> urgent Works on the Roads connecting Walhalla with the Gippsland Railway, Council to expend £500 additional ... ..	500	
27. Winchelsea and Colac Shires—To assist in improving Apollo Bay (boundary) road, Councils to expend £100 additional ...	100	
28. Yarrawonga Bridge Approach—Towards completing the Approach to the Yarrawonga Bridge ... ..	1,500	
29. Tocumwal Bridge—Towards constructing the Approach to the Tocumwal Bridge ... ..	1,000	
30. Murray River Bridges—Moiety of Cost of repairing and maintaining Murray River Bridges, £217 11s. 11d. ... ..	218	
31. Tocumwal Bridge—Moiety of Cost of erecting Bridge over the Murray River at Tocumwal, £9,668 3s. 6d. ... ..	9,669	
32. Hawksview Bridge—Moiety of Cost of erecting Bridge over the River Murray at Hawksview, £1,070 4s. 11d. ..	1,071	
33. To assist in clearing and making Roads in various localities	1,000	
Total Division No. 61 ... ..	22,578	
The sum of ... ..	...	16,578

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896–7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**IX.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.**

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 62.		
		TRADE AND CUSTOMS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Secretary for Trade and Customs, also Collector of Customs, Melbourne ... ..	880	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
3	1	Inspector of Accounts, Chief Clerk, Senior Landing Surveyor (one for four months only)	1,371	
3	2	Assistant Inspector of Accounts, Clerk, Landing Surveyor ... ..	1,638	
16	3	Paymaster, Inspector of Drawbacks, Receiver, Warehousekeeper, Jerquer, Landing Waiters, Clerks ... ..	6,895	
43	4	Tide Inspector, Tide Surveyors, Assistant Landing Waiters, Collectors, Clerks ... ..	11,932	
68	5	Collectors, Tide Waiters, Clerks, Lockers, Weighers ... ..	11,791	
133			33,627	

Number.	Classification.		£	£
DIVISION No. 62.				
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	Revenue Detective Inspector	...	264	246
2	Tea Experts	...	252	469
1	Caretaker	...	228	143
	Lockers—			
	First Grade, including an allowance of			
	£44	...	252	
92	Second Grade	...	198	14,049
	Sub-Lockers, Weighers, and Watchmen—			
	First Grade	...	168	
	Second Grade	...	144	
8	Watchmen	...	132	1,004
2	Labourers	...	120	228
9	Messengers	...	120	803
	Junior Messengers	...	72	
3	Coxswains	...	180	426
3	Engine-drivers	...	156	440
1	Fireman	...	120	114
7	Boatmen	...	144	804
	Boys—Steam Launch	...	60	
129				18,726
Subdivision No. 4.				
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
1	Drawback Expert	...		326
3	Watchmen	...		400
4				726
267	Total SALARIES	...		53,959
Subdivision No. 5.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
	Expenses in connexion with the Protection of the Revenue	...		1,100
	Stores	...		800
	Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, Incidental Expenses	...		1,500
	Repairs, Fittings, Furniture	...		100
				3,500
	Total Division No. 62	...		57,459
	The sum of	...		43,093

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 63.				
PORTS AND HARBORS, MERCANTILE MARINE, FISHERIES, AND IMMIGRATION.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
1	A. & E.	Engineer in charge of Ports and Harbors, also Superintendent of Mercantile Marine Office, Inspector of Fisheries, Immigration Agent, and Inspector of Naval and Military Machinery ... ..	£	
			750	792*
3	G.	Harbor-masters and Pilots † ... ..	300	491
4				1,283
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Senior Clerk and Deputy Superintendent	...	447
1	4	Clerk ... ..	...	260
5	5	Clerks (one a Deputy Superintendent)	...	938
7				1,645
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
DOCKYARD.				
			£	
1		Foreman ... ..	312	} 2,200
1		Lighthouse Mechanic ... ..	240	
2		Assistant Smiths ... ..	156	
3		Carpenters ... ..	156	
1		Assistant Carpenter ... ..	120	
2		Engine-drivers ... ..	156	
2		Strikers ... ..	132	
1		Watchman ... ..	132	
1		Foreman Labourer ... ..	120	
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	72	
16				2,200
GOVERNMENT STEAMER. ‡				
1		Master ... ..	360	} 2,037
1		Engineer ... ..	288	
1		Chief Mate ... ..	222	
1		Second Mate and Carpenter ... ..	180	
3		Firemen ... ..	120	
1		Cook and Steward ... ..	144	
1		Assistant Cook ... ..	120	
6		Seamen ... ..	90	
3		Boys ... ..	60	
18				2,037
OUTPORTS AND LIGHTHOUSE STATIONS. §				
2		Coxswains and Senior Boatmen (also Pilots and Harbor-masters) ... ..	180	} 6,913
11		Lighthouse-keepers ... ..	222	
4		Lighthouse-keepers' Senior Assistants ... ..	186	
32		Lighthouse-keepers' Junior Assistants ... ..	162	
1		Engine-driver—Steam Launch ... ..	156	
50				6,913

\* Including allowance of £150 as Inspector of Naval and Military Machinery.—† With quarters.—‡ Officers, men, and boys allowed rations.—§ With light and water; and at Gabo Island, Wilson's Promontory, South Channel, and the Light-ships, fuel in addition.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 63.		
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1	Marine Surveyor	... ..	}	828
4	Boatbuilders', &c., Apprentices and Junior Carpenters	... ..		
1	Gas Engineer	... ..		
1	Dock-yard Engineer	... ..		
7				
102	Total SALARIES	... ..	14,906	

## Subdivision No. 5.

## CONTINGENCIES.

Allowances to Inspectors of Fisheries and others for carrying out the Fisheries and other Acts	200
Wharf Managers, Allowances to	340
Oil, Wicks, Glasses, &c.	400
Incidental and Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, &c.	500
Marine Casualties, Life Boats, &c., and Expenses	500
Provisions for Government Steamer	500
Extra Labour for Graving Dock, &c.	1,450
General Maintenance—Repairs, &c., to Machinery, &c., of Alfred Graving Dock and Yard, Patent Slip, Fifty-ton Crane, and Government Steamer; Providing and Repairing Buoys, Beacons, and Moorings; Repairs to Lighthouse and Lightship Apparatus; Construction of Boats, and Repairs to Boats and Launches; Stores and Ships' Chandlery; Coal for Dock, Slip, Fifty-ton Crane, Government Steamer, and three Steam Launches	2,660
Gas Buoys and Beacons	800
Expenses of Marine Survey	700
Towards Cleaning and Lighting Wharfs and Jetties	1,100
Maintenance of Eight Coast Lights,* including Expenditure on Buildings (under the superintendence of the Public Works Department where necessary)—Stations: Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, Eddystone Point, each one light, and King's Island two lights	3,000
Second Yearly Instalment to Tasmania in payment of Victoria's share (£2,846 4s. 11d.) of Expenditure incurred by Tasmania for Repairs to Swan and Goose Island and Kent's Group Light-houses	949
Towards providing Port Lights for Coastal Stations	200
	13,299
Total Division No. 63	28,205
The sum of	21,152

\* Maintained by the Governments of New South Wales, Tasmania, and Victoria. This estimate, except that for Eddystone Point, is prepared upon the basis of tonnage of vessels using the lights, and is only for the portion payable by Victoria. The maintenance of Eddystone Point Light is shared equally by the Governments of Tasmania and Victoria.



Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 64.</b>				
<b>DISTILLERIES, EXCISE, AND EXPLOSIVES.</b>				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>				
<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	G.	Inspector of Explosives and Chief Inspector of Distilleries and Excise ... ..	800	800
1	G.	Chemical Assistant ... ..	250	188
2				988
<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>				
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	3	Senior Inspector of Distilleries, Liquor, and Excise ... ..		447
7	4	Clerks, Inspectors, and Assistant Inspectors, Additional Officers, Sub-Lockers ... ..		1,770
9	5			1,641
17				3,858
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>				
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
9		Senior Inspector and Inspectors of Liquor, Excise, and Explosives (including Allowances) ... ..	204	2,029
2		Keepers* † ... ..	252	970
1		Cooper* ... ..	180	
1		Sub-Keeper ... ..	144	
2		Labourers ... ..	120	
1		Messenger ... ..	120	
16				2,999
35		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		<b>7,845</b>
<b>Subdivision No. 4.</b>				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
		Stores, Instruments, and Repairs, &c. ... ..		75
		Fuel, Light, Water, Incidental Expenses, &c. ... ..		750
		Travelling Expenses to Inspectors, &c. ... ..		1,250
		Rewards and Expenses for Discovery of Illicit Distillation, &c. ... ..		375
		Allowances to Keepers of Powder Magazines ... ..		200
				2,650
		<b>Total Division No. 64</b> ... ..		<b>10,495</b>
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..		<b>7,870</b>

\* With fuel.—† One with quarters.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
DIVISION No. 65.				
MARINE BOARD.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Engineer Surveyor ... ..	600	531
1	A. & E.	Assistant Engineer Surveyor ... ..	360	303
1	G.	Inspector of Shipping ... ..	450	414
3				1,248
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Secretary to the Marine Board ... ..		546
2	5	Clerks ... ..		376
3				922
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Messenger ... ..	120	114
7		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		<b>2,284</b>
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Expenses Court of Marine Inquiry ... ..		300
		Allowances to Surveyors, Examiners, and extra assistance ... ..		250
		Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling, Legal, Incidental Expenses, &c.		350
		Adjusters of Compasses ... ..		200
		Allowance to Chairman of Marine Board ... ..		100
				1,200
		<b>Total Division No. 65</b> ... ..		<b>3,484</b>
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..		<b>2,612</b>
DIVISION No. 66.				
MISCELLANEOUS.				
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensations, and Gratuities—				
(Inalterable):—				
		(1) Pension to J. C. Tyler, Esq., late Assistant Commissioner of Trade and Customs ... ..	£ 450	
		(2) Additional Pension to Mr. T. Judd, late Locker and Clerk, Customs, Melbourne ... ..	100	
		(3) Pension to Mr. Jas. Reid, formerly Secretary to the Pilot Board, and late Clerk, Customs, Melbourne ... ..	112	
				662
		2. Annual Subscription to the International Tariff Bureau ... ..		126
3. Refund of Duty paid under exceptional circumstances:—				
		(1) Tonnage Dues on the s.s. <i>John Williams</i> , used exclusively for Missionary purposes, £9 5s. ... ..		10
		<b>Total Division No. 66</b> ... ..		<b>798</b>
		<b>The sum of</b> ... ..		<b>506</b>

Debate ensued, and not being concluded by half-past eight o'clock—  
 Ordered—That the further consideration of the resolutions be postponed until to-morrow.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
6. **REFERENDUM BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. R. Murray Smith 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, 9th December next.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 28th October instant.
8. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 49.

THURSDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. REMUNERATION OF PERMANENT EMPLOYÉS OF THE STATE.—Mr. McCay moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896–7) to permanent employés of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employés, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not) :—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employés receiving remuneration ... ..				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895–6 ... ..				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

(700 copies.)

3. PUBLIC SERVICE—PERCENTAGE REDUCTIONS, INCREMENTS, AND PENSIONS.—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Webb, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. INCOME TAX.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows:—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300     "     "     "     £400 ...				
" £400     "     "     "     £500 ...				
" £500     "     "     "     £600 ...				
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" £1,000     "     "     "     £1,100				
" £1,100     "     "     "     £1,200				
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" £2,000     "     "     "     £2,100				
" £2,100     "     "     "     £2,200				
Over £2,200     ...     ...     ...     ...				

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1896-7.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply having been read—

Debate resumed on the resolutions for granting to Her Majesty sums amounting to £75,233 for services in connexion with the Department of the Commissioner of Trade and Customs.

Mr. Duffus moved, as an amendment, That the amount be reduced by the sum of £1.

Debate continued.

Question—That the second figure "3" proposed to be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the figure "2," stand part of the question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. Baker, j	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Cook.

Noes, 31.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Murray.
Sir John McIntyre,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And, after further debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.**

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 76.		
		AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Agriculture ... ..	712	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	Sc.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum.	
			£	
1		Chemist ... ..	550	501
1		Entomologist ... ..	850	826
2		Assistant Chemists ... ..	...	868
4				1,195
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk ... ..	...	409
5	5	Clerks ... ..	...	940
6				1,349
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Assistant Entomologist ... ..	150	126
1		Junior Messenger ... ..	72	72
2				198
13		Total SALARIES ... ..		3,454
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses, Stores, Books, Instruments, and Incidentals ...		900
		Total Division No. 76 ... ..		4,354
		The sum of ... ..		3,239
		DIVISION No. 77.		
		EXPERIMENTAL CULTIVATION.		
		Purchase of Seeds, Implements, Manures, Carriage, Cultivation, &c. ...		200
		The sum of ... ..		150
		DIVISION No. 78.		
		VINE DISEASES ERADICATION.		
		Departmental Expenses, Trenching and Compensation in connexion with eradication of diseased vineyards ... ..		4,000
		The sum of ... ..		500

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 79.</b>				
<b>SCAB PREVENTION AND DISEASES IN STOCK.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>				
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	4	Acting Chief Inspector of Stock * ... ..	303	
1	4	District Inspector * ... ..	268	
1	4	District Inspector * ... ..	256	
6	5	Inspectors of Stock * ... ..	1,194	
<hr/>			2,021	
9				
<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>				
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
			<small>Maxi- mum.</small>	
			<small>£</small>	
5		Inspectors of Stock * ... ..	200	752
1		Inspector of Stock * ... ..	178	130
<hr/>			882	
6				
<hr/>			2,903	
15		<b>Total SALARIES</b> ... ..		
<b>Subdivision No. 3.</b>				
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
		Allowances, Travelling and Incidentals ... ..		1,600
		Temporary Assistance ... ..		452
<hr/>			2,052	
<b>Total Division No. 79</b> ... ..				
<hr/>			4,955	
<b>The sum of</b> ... ..				
<hr/>				3,728
<b>DIVISION No. 80.</b>				
<b>GRANTS.</b>				
No. 1.		To Agricultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ... ..	3,500	
2.		To Fencing and Improving Public Parks and Gardens under the control of Borough Councils, Trustees, Committees of Management, &c., to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council, no payment to exceed £250 ... ..	2,500	
3.		To the Geelong Corporation, one-half of the expenses of Maintaining and Improving the Botanical Gardens, Geelong, for the year 1896, but not to exceed £250 ... ..	250	
4.		To Horticultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council ... ..	300	
5.		For Medals to be awarded in connexion with the Royal Agricultural Society's Annual Show ... ..	50	
6.		For Payment of Expenses in connexion with the Export to Markets other than Australasian of Dairy Produce, Fruits, Honey, Meat, Rabbits, Poultry, and other Products ... ..	14,500	
<hr/>			21,100	
<b>Total Division No. 80</b> ... ..				
<hr/>				17,100
<b>The sum of</b> ... ..				

\* Receive travelling or horse allowances of from £25 to £100 per annum.

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

*Resolved*—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.**

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 81.				
PUBLIC HEALTH.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	M.	Assistant Medical Inspector ...	...	460
1	A. & E.	Inspector and Engineer ...	500	460
1	A. & E.	Assistant Inspector and Engineer ...	360	290
1		Veterinary Inspector ...	...	400
4				1,610
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Secretary ...		546
1	3	Senior Clerk ...		447
1	4	Accountant, Vaccination and Cemeteries Officer		326
1	4	Clerk ...		263
5	5	Clerks ...		897
9				2,479
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Caretaker, Calf Lymph Depôt* † ...	120	106
1		Caretaker, Sanatorium* † ...	108	103
1		Coxswain* ...	180	161
2		Boatmen* † ...	144	276
5				646
Subdivision No. 4.				
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
1		Medical Inspector, Board of Public Health ...		1,000
1		Health Officer, Quarantine Station* ...		460
1		Market Inspector, Board of Public Health ...		279
3				1,739
21				6,474
Total SALARIES ...				6,474

\* With quarters.—† With fuel, light, and water.—‡ One acts as skilled labourer.



	£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 81.</b>		
<b>Subdivision No. 5.</b>		
<b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>		
Expenses of Board of Public Health, including Travelling Expenses of Inspectors ... ..	1,350	
Stores, Stationery, Printing, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals ...	160	
Allowances to Port Health Officers (including two at £250 per annum) and Incidentals ... ..	570	
Provisions and Stores for Quarantine Station and Steam Launch ...	250	
Maintenance of the Sanatorium, including Wages of Ambulance Driver and Messenger ... ..	180	
Allowance for the support of Lepers, including Wages of Attendants and Expenses of Removal ... ..	250	
Expenses in connexion with stamping out Contagious Diseases ...	700	
	<b>3,460</b>	
<b>Subdivision No. 6.</b>		
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>		
Allowances for Vaccination including expenses attending Cultivation of Calf Lymph ... ..	4,750	
To assist in Fencing New Cemeteries ... ..	100	
Expenses in connexion with the Provision of Hospital Accommodation by Municipalities ... ..	150	
	<b>5,000</b>	
<b>Total Division No. 81</b> ... ..	<b>14,934</b>	
<b>The sum of</b> ... ..	<b>...</b>	<b>11,174</b>

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

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7, for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.**

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 82.		
	VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.		
	SALARIES.		
	Subdivision No. 1.		
	SECRETARY'S BRANCH.		
1	Secretary ... ..	880	
1	Chief Clerk ... ..	460	
1	Clerk ... ..	349	
3		1,689	
	ACCOUNTANT'S BRANCH.		
1	Accountant ... ..	668	
1	Sub-Accountant* ... ..	478	
1	Storekeeper ... ..	460	
1	Assistant Storekeeper ... ..	279	
9	Clerks ... ..	8,075	
13		2,960	
	AUDIT BRANCH.		
1	Railways Auditor ... ..	712	
3	Clerks ... ..	908	
4		1,620	
	TRAFFIC BRANCH.		
1	Traffic Manager † ... ..	600	
1	Goods and Assistant Traffic Manager ... ..	500	
1	Goods Superintendent † ... ..	372	
1	Outdoor Superintendent † ... ..	349	
2	Traffic and Telegraph Inspectors ... ..	786	
4	Clerks ... ..	1,677	
6	Station-masters—One at £326, † one at £303, † one at £279, † three at £279 † ... ..	1,745	
1	Metropolitan Yard Inspector ... ..	303	
17		6,332	

\* With allowance of £25 per annum.—† With quarters value £52 per annum.—‡ With allowance of £52 per annum in lieu of quarters.

Number.						£	£
DIVISION No. 82.							
TELEGRAPH SUPERINTENDENT'S BRANCH.							
1	Telegraph Superintendent *	...	...	...	...	460	
LOCOMOTIVE BRANCH.							
1	Chief Mechanical Engineer †	...	...	...	...	836	
1	Chief Clerk *	...	...	...	...	414	
1	Workshops Manager	...	...	...	...	501	
1	Chief Running Inspector	...	...	...	...	501	
2	Locomotive Inspectors	...	...	...	...	938	
1	Rolling-stock Inspector	...	...	...	...	279	
7	Locomotive Foremen	...	...	...	...	2,209	
1	Draughtsman	...	...	...	...	303	
15						5,981	
ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BRANCH.							
1	Engineer-in-Chief	...	...	...	...	1,063	
1	District Engineer	...	...	...	...	563	
4	Assistant Engineers	...	...	...	...	1,491	
3	Draughtsmen	...	...	...	...	1,037	
1	Field Assistant	...	...	...	...	307	
2	Clerks	...	...	...	...	713	
1	Lithographic Printer in Charge...	...	...	...	...	279	
13						5,453	

\* With allowance of £50 per annum.—† With allowance of £150 per annum.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 82.		
	ENGINEER FOR EXISTING LINES BRANCH.		
1	Engineer for Existing Lines* ... ..	668	
1	Chief Assistant Engineer ... ..	630	
1	Chief Clerk ... ..	372	
8	Assistant Engineers—One at £447,† one at £437,† one at £349 † ... ..	3,109	
1	Surveyor† ... ..	331	
1	Draughtsman ... ..	335	
3	Superintending Inspectors ... ..	1,250	
9	Inspectors ... ..	2,804	
25		9,499	
91	Total SALARIES of £300 per annum and upwards ...	35,994	
	Total Salaries from £50 to £300 per annum ... ..	129,254	
	Total SALARIES ... ..	165,248	
	Deduct Estimated Amount chargeable to Loans on account of Salaries of £300 per annum and upwards ... ..	7,000	
		158,248	
	Working expenses of all Lines during the year 1896-7, including Maintenance and Renewals, Locomotive, Traffic, and General Charges, equal to, say, 54½ per cent. on the Estimated Revenue of £2,600,000—		
	Maintenance and Renewals ... ..	365,000	
	Locomotive Charges ... ..	530,000	
	Traffic Charges ... ..	487,000	
	General Charges ... ..	45,000	
		1,427,000	
	Less Salaries ... ..	158,248	
		1,268,752	
	Total Division No. 82 ... ..	1,427,000	
	The sum of ... ..	...	1,067,000

\* With allowance of £150 per annum.—† With allowance of 15s. per week for instruments

## DIVISION No. 83.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

## No. 1. Annual Allowances to late employés in the Government Railway Service—(Inalterable):—

	£ s. d.			Less paid out of Special Appropriations.			£ s. d.			£
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
J. B. Blackburn ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218	15	0	219
J. Jeremy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125
A. P. Mathison ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	400
*W. Cadwallader ...	276	0	0	208	6	8	67	13	4	
*I. Chapman ...	227	8	2	213	3	11	14	4	3	
*J. Galbraith ...	77	9	4	70	8	6	7	0	10	
*F. Glenister ...	222	0	0	204	0	0	18	0	0	
*W. Huffer ...	70	8	6	68	1	7	2	6	11	
*A. Homewood ...	194	5	0	178	10	0	15	15	0	
*T. Maddock ...	77	9	4	72	15	5	4	13	11	
*P. McDonald ...	82	3	3	75	2	5	7	0	10	
*P. O'Brien ...	51	14	2	47	2	11	4	11	3	
*T. Phipps ...	84	10	2	77	9	4	7	0	10	
*J. Richmond ...	146	4	5	132	10	3	13	14	2	
*C. Thomson ...	176	0	3	157	16	1	18	4	2	
*M. Toohy ...	77	9	4	75	2	5	2	6	11	
*B. F. Wiseman ...	117	2	1	107	1	4	10	0	9	
*J. Bruce ...	382	10	0	348	15	0	33	15	0	
							226	8	2	227

## 2. Annual Allowances as Compensation:—

Fanny K. Cooke—Allowance for permanent injuries received in Railway Collision at Sunbury, 1872 ...	70
Helena A. Wilson—Allowance for permanent injury received in Railway Collision at Windsor, March, 1882 ...	52
John Smith—Allowance for being disabled whilst in the execution of his duty as an Engine-cleaner ...	52
Margaret Darcy—Allowance for permanent injury received at South Melbourne, March, 1889 ...	70
Honora Rickard—Allowance for five years, commencing at 1st October, 1895, at £20 per annum, as mother of Elizabeth Agnes and Rachel Rickard, who were run over by a train near Newport, on 4th September, 1888, the former being killed and the latter suffering from the loss of a limb ...	20

3. To pay Pensions, computed on the basis of section 44 of Act 25 Vict. No. 160, to Officers who have retired in consequence of changes in the Department, and who were not entitled to Pensions under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135 ... 5,159

4. To provide for the difference between the amount of Pension due and a minimum of £30 per annum payable to certain Officers who have retired under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135 since 29th January, 1895 ... 434

## 5. Allowances to ex-Acting Railways Commissioners, viz.:—

J. Syder ...	£1,000
T. H. Woodroffe ...	400
R. Lochhead ...	600
	2,000

And, in the opinion of the Committee, the arrangement as to pensions to ex-Railways Commissioners does not carry out the bargain made by a previous Government with Messrs. Kibble and Murray.

Total Division No. 83 ... 8,828

The sum of ... 7,120

## DIVISION No. 84.

## MELBOURNE AND HOBSON'S BAY RAILWAY.

For Interest and Expenses in connexion with Payment of Principal and Interest ... 1,900

The sum of ... 10

\* Includes service with Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company.

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 50.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Cook presented a petition from Christopher Sparling, of Northcote, ex-constable of the Victoria Police Force, praying that the House will take his case into consideration and grant him such redress as it may deem fit.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. CORRECTIONS IN MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House:—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 20th October, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes*," viz.:—

In clause 3, line 31, the figures "18" have been omitted and "19" inserted; in line 33, the figures "19-25" have been omitted and "20-26" inserted; in line 35, the figures "26-30" have been omitted and "27-31" inserted; in line 36, the words "for Water" have been inserted after "Dams"; in line 37, the words "Minerals or Metals" have been omitted, and the figures "31-36" have been omitted and "32-37" inserted; in line 38, the figures "37-40" have been omitted and "38-41" inserted; in line 39, the figures "41" have been omitted and "42" inserted; and in line 40, the figures "42-43" have been omitted and "43-44" inserted.

In clause 36, lines 19 and 20, the words "in Council" have been omitted.

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

4. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented—

Remuneration of Permanent Employés of the State.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th October, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The remuneration payable (as provided by the Estimates for 1896-7) to permanent employés of the State, in accordance with the following table (such return not to include Police Force, Postmaster-General's Department, Railway Department, and Teachers, but to include all other permanent employés, whether exempt from the provisions of the Public Service Acts or not):—

	Over £300.	From £200 to £300.	From £100 to £200.	To £100.
Number of such employés receiving remuneration ... ..				
Total amount of such remuneration ...				
Number of such employés receiving an increase on the remuneration provided for them by the Estimates as passed for 1895-6 ... ..				
Total amount of such increases ...				

2. A similar return for (a) Police Force, (b) Postmaster-General's Department, (c) Railway Department, and (d) Teachers.

(700 copies.)

Public Service—Percentage Reductions, Increments, and Pensions.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th October, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The amount that would be lost by payment of percentage reductions on salaries between £100 and £125, £125 and £135, £135 and £150.
2. The amount included in the Estimates for 1896-7 to pay increments on salaries over £250.
3. The number of persons receiving pensions of from £200 to £350, from £350 to £450, from £450 and upwards, with total amount of such payments in each case.

Income Tax.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th October, 1896, for a return showing the amount paid under the Income Tax as follows :—

Amount.	Personal Exertion.		Property.	
	No. of Persons.	Amount.	No. of Persons.	Amount.
From £200 up to and not inclusive of £300 ...				
" £300     "     "     "     £400 ...				
" £400     "     "     "     £500 ...				
" £500     "     "     "     £600 ...				
" £600     "     "     "     £700 ...				
" £700     "     "     "     £800 ...				
" £800     "     "     "     £900 ...				
" £900     "     "     "     £1,000				
" £1,000     "     "     "     £1,100				
" £1,100     "     "     "     £1,200				
" £1,200     "     "     "     £1,300				
" £1,300     "     "     "     £1,400				
" £1,400     "     "     "     £1,500				
" £1,500     "     "     "     £1,600				
" £1,600     "     "     "     £1,700				
" £1,700     "     "     "     £1,800				
" £1,800     "     "     "     £1,900				
" £1,900     "     "     "     £2,000				
" £2,000     "     "     "     £2,100				
" £2,100     "     "     "     £2,200				
Over £2,200 ... ..				

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Water Act 1890—

Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 11.

Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 5.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 13.—Draft Form.

Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 20.

5. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr.

G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

And, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 3rd November next.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Explosives Act 1890'" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 20th October, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,

President.

7. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Best moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "An Act to amend the 'Explosives 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.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coroners Act 1890'" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 20th October, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,

President.



9. **CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT-BILL.**—Mr. Gavan Duffy moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Coroners 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.

10. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

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

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

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

11. **SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1896-7.**—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Supply several resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

*Resolved*—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 8.</b>				
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.</b>				
<b>CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.</b>				
Subdivision No. 1.				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
<b>FIRST DIVISION.</b>				
1		The Under-Secretary ... ..	880	
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	3	Acting Chief Clerk ... ..	442	
1	2	Clerk ... ..	546	
1	2	Inspector of Officers in Charge of Stores ...	546	
1	3	Accountant ... ..	447	
1	3	Clerk ... ..	438	
4	4	Clerks ... ..	1,193	
13	5	Clerks* ... ..	2,181	
		Allowance to 3rd Class Officer discharging the duties of Secretary to the Police Superannuation Board and the Police Medical Board ...	46	
22			5,839	
<b>NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
				Maxi- mum.
1		Caretaker of Government Offices, Spring- street † ... ..	150	170
1	f	Female Typewriter ... ..	78	70
2		Messengers and Attendants ... ..	120	228
2		Junior Messengers and Attendants ... ..	72	144
1		Female Housekeeper ... ..	48	50
7				662
1	x	( <i>Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.</i> ) Government Medical Officer ... ..		1,020
31		<b>Total SALARIES, Chief Secretary's Office ...</b>		<b>8,401</b>
Subdivision No. 2.— <b>CONTINGENCIES.</b>				
		Telegrams, Stores, Stationery, Books, Fuel, Light, Water, and Inci- dentals, including temporary allowance to Female Housekeeper in lieu of quarters, Orderly's Allowance, Flags and Office Stationery for His Excellency the Governor ... ..		1,961
		Cost of Indexing <i>Government Gazette</i> ... ..		120
		Repairs to Old Treasury Buildings, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ...		100
				2,181
		<b>Total Chief Secretary's Office ...</b>		<b>10,582</b>

\* One acting in Executive Council Office and paid under Schedule D, Part IV., 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55.—† With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Classification		£	£
<b>DIVISION No. 8.</b>				
<b>OBSERVATORY.</b>				
Subdivision No. 3.				
SALARIES.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
	Sc. & L.		Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Acting Government Astronomer * ...	725	372
1		Assistant ... ..	300	279
1		Assistant ... ..	250	235
2		Assistants ... ..	190	286
5				1,172
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	5	Clerical and Photographic Assistant ...	...	188
1	5	Weather Telegraph Clerk ... ..	...	117
2			Maxi- mum.	305
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			£	
1		Mechanical Attendant ... ..	132	103
2		Junior Messengers and Attendants ...	72	144
3				247
10		Total SALARIES, Observatory ... ..	...	1,724
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Stores, Fuel, Light, Incidentals, Labour, Books, Instruments, Repairs, Photographic Materials, &c. ... ..				
				450
Weather Service, Local and Intercolonial, including Attendance to Time-ball and Tide-gauge, Williamstown ... ..				
				185
				635
Total Observatory ... ..				2,359
<b>GOVERNMENT BOTANIST.</b>				
Subdivision No. 5.				
SALARIES.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
1	Sc.	Government Botanist ... ..	800	712
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Clerk ... ..	...	303
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Herbarium Assistant ... ..	252	235
1		Herbarium Assistant ... ..	96	94
2				329
4		Total Government Botanist ... ..	...	1,344

\* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 8.				
INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND SHOPS.				
Subdivision No. 6.				
SALARIES,				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Chief Inspector of Factories ... ..	256	
1	5	Clerk ... ..	188	
		Addition to Salary of Chief Inspector of Factories	47	
2				491
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
4		Inspectors of Factories ... ..	240	904
1		Female Inspector of Factories ... ..	150	137
5				1,041
7		Total SALARIES, Inspection of Factories and Shops ... ..		1,532
Subdivision No. 7.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Travelling Expenses, Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals ... ..		185
		Total Inspection of Factories and Shops ... ..		1,717
FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.				
Subdivision No. 8.				
SALARIES.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Actuary for Friendly Societies ... ..	546	
1	4	Clerk ... ..	240	
7	5	Clerks ... ..	1,256	
9				2,042
Subdivision No. 9.				
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
1		Registrar of Friendly Societies ... ..	372	
10		Total SALARIES, Friendly Societies ... ..	2,414	
Subdivision No. 10.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores and Incidentals ... ..	60	
		Total Friendly Societies ... ..	2,474	
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Subdivision No. 11.—(Inalterable.)				
		Agent-General—Expenses ... ..	2,000	
		British New Guinea.—Contribution towards the Expenses of the Government of British New Guinea for the year ending 31st May, 1897 ... ..	5,000	
			7,000	
		Total Division No. 8 ... ..	25,476	
		The sum of ... ..		20,231

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

*Resolved*—That a sum not exceeding £87,616 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1896-7:—

Division No.		£
67.	Post and Telegraph Offices ... ..	58,950
68.	Telegraph Lines ... ..	1,000
69.	Mail Service ... ..	16,000
70.	Miscellaneous ... ..	100
71.	Mines and Water Supply ... ..	5,016
72.	Prospecting for Gold and Coal ... ..	1,250
73.	Waterworks in Country Districts ... ..	300
74.	Coliban, Geelong, and National Works ... ..	3,000
75.	Miscellaneous ... ..	2,000
		£87,616

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

12. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Mason also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
*Resolved*—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
13. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—  
*Resolved*—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1896-7 the sum of £670,778 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.  
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.  
*Ordered*—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
14. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time.  
*Ordered*—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—*Ordered*—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
16. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 51.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1896.

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

2. **RULING BY MR. SPEAKER.**—Mr. R. Murray Smith drew attention to the fact that, at the close of the debate on the motion for the second reading of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill, Mr. Speaker had expressed the view that he was not called on to decide as to whether the Bill was one which, under section 60 of the *Constitution Act*, required its second and third readings to be passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the House, but that the question was one for the Law officers of the Crown to deal with before presenting the Bill to the Governor for approval.

And several Honorable Members having addressed the House on the subject, and also as to whether the Bill in question was within the scope of the 60th section of the *Constitution Act*—

Mr. Speaker said—Several points have been raised in connexion with this matter. The first one deals with the decision which I arrived at the other morning after an all-night sitting. I felt then that the question was a legal one, and that it was one which according to precedent had not to be decided by the Speaker. I therefore gave my opinion at the time (stopping the Honorable Member for Brighton, who was speaking) that it was not a question for the Speaker, but for the Law officers of the Crown to decide when the time came for presenting the Bill to the Governor for his assent. I will read to the House from *Hansard*, volume 15, page 2351, the answer which was given by the then Speaker when a similar question was raised. An Honorable Member desired to know whether, in the opinion of the Speaker, a Bill which increased the salaries of the Judges was not an alteration of Schedule D. The report is as follows :—

“The Speaker.—I must adopt the plan of my predecessor, and take the decision of the Law officers on a question of this character. In the House of Commons the Speaker is advised by counsel on questions of law, but the custom here is for the Speaker to take the opinion of the Law officers on such points. The *Constitution Act* provides that no Bill which makes an alteration in Schedule D shall be presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent unless it has been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of both Houses, and it rests with the Law officers of the Crown to decide whether this Bill shall be presented to the Governor or not.”

The Bill there referred to was not passed by an absolute majority. It appeared to me that, the House being seised of the Bill, and the Government being responsible for the business of the House, and having the Law officers to consult, it was more reasonable that they should understand the constitutional question, which has been so ably debated to-night, and the interpretation of the *Constitution Act* as regards this particular point than the Speaker, who is a layman. I still adhere to that opinion. A good deal of light has, I admit, been thrown on the question this evening in the course of the discussion ; but I think that most Honorable Members will agree that it is a difficult point for any Speaker to decide, especially when able legal Members have argued upon it from both points of view, and have failed to agree. I feel that, as Speaker, I ought not, unless I had a strong opinion upon the subject, to take any business out of the purview of the House, which would have been the case if I had decided that this Bill must have a statutory majority in its favour. A similar measure to this was introduced last Session and dealt with as an ordinary Bill, no question being raised that it involved an amendment of the Constitution, and required a statutory majority. Furthermore, a previous Government, when Mr. Munro was Premier, adopted the same course, and treated a Bill of this kind as an ordinary Bill. It appears to me, in the light of what has taken place, that the Speaker must give a decision for what it may be worth ; but I repeat that when so many able lawyers in the House have argued on the technical merits of the question, and have been unable to agree, it must necessarily be looked upon as a very difficult question indeed to decide. I may say, however, that before the matter was brought up in the House by the Honorable Member for Brighton it had come under my notice, and I had discussed it with the officers of the House, who have had great experience in parliamentary matters ; and it was their opinion, as ultimately it was mine, that this was not a Bill that required to go through the extraordinary process of being passed by an absolute majority of both Houses of Parliament. As I have to give a decision, I shall base it upon a simple interpretation—perhaps a layman’s interpretation—of section 61 of the *Constitution Act*. That section says—

“Notwithstanding anything herein contained, it shall be lawful for the said Legislature, from time to time, by any Act or Acts, to alter the qualifications of electors and Members of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly respectively.”

I will not go further than that. I think that the fact of the word "man" being used in the *Constitution Act* means that being a man is a qualification. That is to say, it is a qualification for voting to be a male; and, in my opinion, it is legitimate for Parliament to vary the qualification by extending the right to vote to the other sex. I do not think that this is an alteration contemplated by the 60th section of the *Constitution Act* as being an alteration of the Constitution itself. There is nothing further to be said. It would have been a serious matter if I had had a different opinion, and had come to the conclusion that I must withdraw the Bill from the purview of the House. That might have had the result of placing the House in the position of holding a contrary opinion to the Speaker. I do not think it is desirable that that should happen if it can be avoided. Therefore, while I think that the Attorney-General and the members of the Government will no doubt have been enlightened by the debate that has taken place, so far as the Speaker's decision is concerned I am of opinion that this is to be regarded as ordinary legislation, and is to be treated as such. It will be for the Government hereafter to consider, having heard the views of the other side, what course they will take in regard to presenting the Bill to the Governor, if it be passed by both Houses of Parliament.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 21st October, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and that they do not insist on their amendment in such Bill with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 20th October, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

Debate continued.

Mr. Lazarus 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, 9th December next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 52.

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 THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part IV.—Accumulation.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 53.

TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Taverner presented a petition from certain Crown lessees under the *Mallee Lands Act* 1896, praying that certain amendments may be made in the said Act.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House, viz.:—  
Land Act 1890—Part I.—Orders in Council—  
Alteration of Regulations.  
Additional Regulations.  
Settlement on Lands Act 1893.—Regulation.—Order in Council.
4. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Mr. McColl moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
And, after debate—  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 10th November next.
5. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 54.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Public Service Acts.—Alteration of Regulations.
3. ALIENS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Aliens Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Peacock and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Aliens Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Taverner, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890* and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Taverner and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the ‘Local Government Act 1890’ and for other purposes,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order appointing the days on which the House shall meet for the despatch of business and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business be rescinded, and that the following be adopted in place thereof, viz.:—That Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business; that Four o’clock p.m. be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, Half-past One o’clock p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, and Ten o’clock a.m. on Friday; that on Friday Government business shall have precedence of all other business; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o’clock p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

6. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for giving precedence to Government business on Wednesday be suspended for this evening so far as to enable a motion relating to the Days of Business to be dealt with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order appointing the days on which the House shall meet for the despatch of business and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business be rescinded, and that the following be adopted in place thereof, viz.:—That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business; that Half-past One o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Rawson moved, as an amendment, That the words "except on Tuesday, when the hour of meeting shall be Half-past Two o'clock" be inserted after the words "each day," line 5.

Debate continued.

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

Question—That the Sessional Order appointing the days on which the House shall meet for the despatch of business and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business be rescinded, and that the following be adopted in place thereof, viz.:—That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business; that Half-past One o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Half-past Ten o'clock—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. LARGE ESTATES—COMPULSORY SALE OF LAND NEAR RAILWAYS.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—

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

Debate resumed.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Vale.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Gray.

Noes, 52.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Harper,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

10. PLUMPING AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS PREVENTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Higgins moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Staughton moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on original motion continued.

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

And, after debate—

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

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Bromley,	
Mr. Duggan,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Burton,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Higgins.

Noes, 40.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McCay.

And so it passed in the negative.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 11th November next.
12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at three o'clock.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 55.

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THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
 Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895—  
 Appendix to Part II.—Interchange.—Posts and Telegraphs, tabulated in accordance with  
 the Recommendations of the Post and Telegraph Conference, held at Hobart, in  
 February, 1895.  
 Part. VI.—Population (exclusive of Municipal Finances).  
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
 The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by  
 the Clerk of the House :—  
 Water Act 1890.—Carrum Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further  
 consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the  
 Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in  
 the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day  
 Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until  
 Wednesday next.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 56.

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 WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part V.—Vital Statistics, &c.  
Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
Coburg and Brunswick Railway Lines.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 6th October, 1896, for a return showing, with regard to the Coburg and Brunswick lines, to 30th June, 1896—
  1. Number of passengers carried.
  2. Detail of fares.
  3. Total income.
  4. Expenses with interest and without.
  5. Profit or loss on running.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

**BRASSEY,**

*Governor.*

*Message No. 13.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for the Redemption of Victorian Government Stock and other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 2nd November, 1896.

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

On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for the Redemption of Victorian Government Stock and other purposes.

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

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

4. **GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL.**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for the Redemption of Victorian Government Stock and other purposes,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **GOVERNMENT MUNICIPAL AUDITORS AND AUDITS.**—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Graves, That there be laid before this House a return showing—  
1. The names of the Government auditors under the *Local Government Act* 1890 who have held office during the past two years.  
2. The names of the respective shires audited by them.  
3. The amount each of these auditors respectively received.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. **ALIENS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Peacock, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **POWDER MAGAZINES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—  
Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **CORONERS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Langdon reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.
9. **CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

11. RAILWAY PENSIONS UNDER £30 PER ANNUM.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is advisable that all those railway pensioners who were discharged prior to 1895, and who are in receipt of less than £30 per annum, should have their pensions increased to that amount.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Baker, i	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Murphy,	
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 30.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Duggan,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Lazarus.

And so it passed in the negative.

12. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST.—Mr. Styles moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that the Melbourne Harbor Trust should be abolished.

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

And, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 25th November instant.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 57.

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THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Foster moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as loans for water supply and irrigation works in the country districts and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Foster and Mr. Taverner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as Loans for Water Supply and Irrigation Works in the Country Districts and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to ratify the method of distributing the endowment to municipalities and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to ratify the method of distributing the Endowment to Municipalities 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.
4. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Graves 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.
5. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Taverner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Taverner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Taverner, read a third time.  
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.



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

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 14.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Municipalities' Advances Act 1895*.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 4th November, 1896.

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

On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Municipalities' Advances Act 1895*.

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

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

8. MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intitled "A Bill to amend the 'Municipalities' Advances Act 1895,'" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

9. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Best moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be paid for licences issued under the *Explosives Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That the fees to be paid for licences issued under the *Explosives Act 1890* shall be such as may be prescribed by the Governor in Council.

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

10. EXPLOSIVES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Best moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

GRAHAM BERRY,

Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 58.

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TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CORRECTION IN POWDER MAGAZINES BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House:—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 10th November, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following correction in the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of Powder Magazines, and to authorize the construction by the State of a Tramway to such Magazines,*" viz. :—

In the preamble, line 2, the word "said" has been omitted.

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

3. STATE BANK 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—  
Sir John McIntyre moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "That" be omitted, with the view to insert in place thereof the words "as the principles in Part I. of the Bill, dealing with the amalgamation of the Savings Banks and the making of advances at low rates of interest, will meet the requirements of the country, it is inadvisable and unnecessary to ask the House to deal with the other parts of the Bill, and therefore Part I. only of the Bill should be proceeded with."  
Debate continued.  
Mr. Carter 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.

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

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 15.

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

"*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and ninety-seven.*"

"*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890.'*"

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 30th October, 1896.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 59.

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WEDNESDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Deakin presented a petition from certain parliamentary electors of the colony, praying that the House will take into consideration the case of Robert Shirlow, late of the Public Service, and grant him what he is legally entitled to.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Deakin presented a petition from John Robertson, M.A., of Moonee Ponds, praying that the House will entertain favorably his offer to submit to it a simple, sufficient, and readily applicable theory of money.  
On the motion of Mr. Deakin, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.  
The petition was read by the Clerk.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Observatory.—Thirtieth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 31st May, 1895, to 30th June, 1896.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Act of Parliament—  
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890.—Part IX.—Statement showing the Names, Remuneration, Duties, &c., of all Persons Temporarily Employed in the Department of the Legislative Assembly, under the authority of Part IX, of the *Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890*, during the period from 27th November, 1895, to 10th November, 1896.
4. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to refer certain matters to the Federal Council of Australasia for the exercise of legislative authority thereon.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intitled "*A Bill to refer certain matters to the Federal Council of Australasia for the exercise of legislative authority thereon,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time, and on the amendment "That all the words after 'That' be omitted, with the view to insert in place thereof the words 'as the principles in Part I. of the Bill, dealing with the amalgamation of the Savings Banks and the making of advances at low rates of interest, will meet the requirements of the country, it is inadvisable and unnecessary to ask the House to deal with the other parts of the Bill, and therefore Part I. only of the Bill should be proceeded with'"—having been read—  
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.  
Debate on original motion resumed.  
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 11th November, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 11th November, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

8. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of Powder Magazines, and to authorize the construction by the State of a Tramway to such Magazines*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 11th November, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Explosives Act 1890.'*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 11th November, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

10. EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

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

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Wednesday, 9th December next.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 25th November instant.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

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No. 60.

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THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
  - Victorian Railways—
    - Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 30th September, 1896.
    - Return of Special Rates for the quarter ending 30th September, 1896.
3. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
  - Debate ensued.
  - Question—put and negatived.
  - Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
  - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
  - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
  - Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 61.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. McLellan presented a petition from D. Macdonald, D.D., styling himself Moderator, and George Tait, M.A., styling himself Clerk, in the name and by the authority of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria, praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will protect church lands as was provided in the *Mines Act* 1890. On the motion of Mr. McLellan, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the petition to be read.  
The petition was read by the Clerk.  
Mr. Zox presented a petition from Edward William Cole, of Bourke-street, Melbourne, bookseller, praying that the House will be pleased to enact that at least the portion of his Book Arcade which extends from Bourke-street to Little Collins-street shall be allowed to remain open as heretofore, and that the petitioner may be permitted to sell sufficient goods to pay his expenses.  
Mr. Zox presented a petition from certain persons, praying that the House will grant the petition of Edward William Cole and allow the Book Arcade in Bourke-street, Melbourne, to remain open as heretofore on account of its public usefulness.  
On the motion of Mr. Zox, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the two foregoing petitions to be read.  
The petitions were read by the Clerk.  
Mr. Madden presented a petition from certain residents, ratepayers, and property-owners of the south-eastern portion of the Shire of Boroondara, praying that the House will be pleased to direct that the train service from Ashburton to Camberwell be not discontinued nor the rails taken up between Waverley and Ashburton.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
- 3 PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Aborigines.—Thirty-second Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.  
Mr. Taverner presented—  
Government Municipal Auditors and Audits.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 4th November, 1896, for a return showing—
  1. The names of the Government auditors under the *Local Government Act* 1890 who have held office during the past two years.
  2. The names of the respective shires audited by them.
  3. The amount each of these auditors respectively received.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—  
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890.—Part IX.—Statement of Temporary Appointments made under the authority of Part IX. of the *Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1890 in the Department of the Library of the Parliament.  
Companies Act 1890.—Summary of Statements for the year 1895 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
4. SELECT COMMITTEES.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That, for the remainder of the Session, leave be given to all Select Committees of the Legislative Assembly to sit during the sittings of the House and on any day on which the House itself does not meet.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same were read :—

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message No. 16.

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

“An Act to amend the ‘Coroners Act 1890.’”

“An Act to authorize an exchange of land between Her Majesty and the proprietors of certain lands in the parish of Truganina required by Her Majesty for the establishment of Powder Magazines, and to authorize the construction by the State of a Tramway to such Magazines.”

“An Act to amend the ‘Explosives Act 1890.’”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th November, 1896.

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message No. 17.

In accordance with section 5 of *The (Victorian) Federal Council Act 1885*, the Governor notifies to the Legislative Assembly that under the provisions of the said Act—

The Honorable John Mark Davies, M.L.C., has ceased to hold office as a Representative of the Colony of Victoria in the Federal Council of Australasia, his resignation having been received by the Governor.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 16th November, 1896.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 17 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

## VICTORIA.

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No. 62.

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 WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Moule presented a petition from the Assembly of the Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of the Church of England in the Diocese of Melbourne, praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will secure to church property the protection given to it by the *Mines Act 1890*.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
State Forests of Victoria—Report on the—Prepared in compliance with the request of the Honorable R. W. Best, Minister of Lands, by B. Ribbentrop, C.I.E., Inspector-General of Forests to the Government of India.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 17 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Justices Act 1890' and for other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.  
Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 18th November, 1896.  
W. A. ZEAL,  
President.
7. JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Foster moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Justices Act 1890' 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.
8. SAMUEL W. GYLES.—Mr. Bromley moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. DERAILMENT OF THE ADELAIDE EXPRESS.—Mr. Bromley moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of all the papers of the Railway Department relating to the derailment of the Adelaide express near Dimboola.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.



10. MR. REGINALD GREEN.—Mr. Longmore moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the reasons why the finding of the Select Committee that reported on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late of the Police Force, was not carried out in its entirety.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

11. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS.—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House a Select Committee should be either appointed by ballot or nominated by the Government to inquire into and report upon the working of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* in regard to the election of Members to this House, and particularly with regard to the following points :—

- (a) The suitability of the present boundaries of the districts.
- (b) The suitability of the present polling places.
- (c) The number of inhabitants and the number of voters on the rolls in each district.
- (d) How far the existing system favours the return of Members by minorities in lieu of majorities, and any remedy therefor.

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

And, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 2nd December next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

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## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 63.

THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Gray presented a petition from William Hunt, styling himself Chairman, and Thomas Copeland, styling himself Secretary, in the name and by the authority of the Executive Committee of the Primitive Methodist Church of Victoria, praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will secure the protection to church lands that was provided in the *Mines Act 1890*.  
Mr. McKenzie presented a petition from Edward Isaac, styling himself President, and Courtenay Wm. Walrond, styling himself Secretary, by order of the Assembly of the Baptist Union of Victoria, praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will insure the protection of church lands and the buildings thereon.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. REDEMPTION OF GOVERNMENT STOCK.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That notice be given, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 428, that on and after the 1st day of December, 1897, repayment will be made of all sums of money raised under the said Act and under any Act increasing the amount of Victorian Government Stock authorized to be issued under Act No. 428.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments, and with an amended Title, which Title is as follows:—  
“*A Bill to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners’ Savings Banks, to amend the ‘Savings Banks Act 1890,’ to enable advances to be made and for other purposes.*”  
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
5. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Mr. Lazarus moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
And, after debate—  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.  
Debate on main question continued.  
Mr. Lazarus moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 64.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—Mr. Gray presented a petition from Edmund S. Bickford, styling himself President of Conference of Wesleyan Methodist Church in Victoria and Tasmania, and W. L. Blamires, styling himself Authorized Representative to Government for the Wesleyan Methodist Church, for and on behalf of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Victoria, praying that the House will make such provisions in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as shall secure to the churches all the protection and privileges intended to be assured to them by the *Mines Act* 1890 and the Act for the Abolition of State Aid to Religion (No. 391).  
 Petitions praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will secure the protection to church lands that was provided in the *Mines Act* 1890, were presented as follows:—  
     By Mr. McLean—  
         From the Right Reverend James Francis Corbett, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Sale.  
     By Mr. J. Anderson—  
         From the Most Reverend Thomas Joseph Carr, Doctor of Divinity, Archbishop of Melbourne.  
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
     Charitable Institutions.—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1896.  
 Ordered to lie on the Table.  
 The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—  
     Friendly Societies—Eighteenth Annual Report on.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1895, to which are appended Valuations of Friendly Societies, Statistics of Friendly Societies, &c.
4. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—  
 Debate resumed.  
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Foster, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

1. After clause 5 insert new clause—

A. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Amending Act, the price or rate of payment to be fixed by any special Board for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing any article of furniture shall wherever practicable be both a piece-work price or rate and a wages price or rate. All piece-work price or rate to be based on the wages price or rate fixed by such Board.

2. Clause 6, line 11, after “In” insert “sub-section six of section fifteen of the Amending Act the words ‘appointed to revise or consider such price or rate of payment’ are hereby repealed and in.”

3. „ „ omit “section fifteen of the Amending Act” and insert “the same section.”

4. After clause 6 insert new clauses—

B. For section thirty-four of the Amending Act there shall be deemed to have been substituted from the passing of the said Act the following section :—

34. The following sub-section shall be deemed to be the last sub-section of section forty-seven of the Principal Act :—

For closing for one afternoon in each week from the hour of one o'clock—

- (a) all shops other than those specified in the Fourth Schedule ;
- (b) all shops of any particular class whatsoever.

Provided that before any such by-law be made a petition certified to by the municipal clerks as signed by a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers whose shops it is desired to close shall be presented to the municipal council.

In the case of a petition for closing all shops other than those specified in the Fourth Schedule the majority shall be a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers keeping such shops.

In the case of a petition for closing all shops of a particular class the majority shall be a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers keeping shops of that class.

Provided also that in the city of Melbourne no shopkeeper shall be deemed guilty of a breach of any such by-law by reason only of his not complying with the same if he shall close and keep closed his shop on the Saturday of each and every week during which he shall fail to comply with such by-law from the hour of half-past one o'clock in the afternoon. Provided also that no shopkeeper shall be guilty of a contravention of any such by-law provided he close his shop on some one afternoon in the week on which shops carrying on any one of the businesses carried on by him are closed.

C. For sub-section four of section thirty-six of the Amending Act there shall be deemed to have been substituted as from the passing of the said Act the following sub-section :—

(4) In the case of a regulation being desired for the whole of the Metropolitan District such petition shall be signed by a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers other than those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act or of all the shopkeepers keeping shops of the particular class within such district.

For sub-section five of the same section there shall be deemed to have been substituted as from the passing of the said Act the following sub-section :—

(5) In the case of a regulation being desired for two or more contiguous municipal districts within the Metropolitan District such petition shall be signed by a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers other than those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act or of all the shopkeepers keeping shops of the particular class within such contiguous districts.

5. Insert the following new clauses :—

D. (1) Every person who on a Sunday delivers meat on sale, whether in a retail or wholesale way, and whether the same has been paid for or has to be paid for on or after delivery, and every person who causes any meat to be so delivered shall be guilty of an offence, and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty of not less than One pound or more than Five pounds for every such offence.

(2) Where any seller of meat either himself or by any of his employés or by any other person delivers meat on a Sunday to any other person or at any other person's house or premises such meat shall unless the contrary is proved be deemed to have been delivered on sale within the meaning of this section.

E. Nothing in this or the Principal Act shall apply to creameries butter and cheese concentrated and condensed milk factories or persons engaged in dairying and in agriculture.

F. Appointments as members of any Board under the provisions of this Act shall be for twelve months only, but any member whose term of office has expired may be re-appointed by the Governor in Council.

G. The following classes of shops shall for the purposes only of section forty-seven of the Principal Act and section thirty-six of the Amending Act be deemed to be added to those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule of the Principal Act, namely—butchers bakers pastry-cooks florists cooked-meat sellers herbalists hairdressers pork butchers and undertakers.

H. All orders and regulations made by the Governor in Council under the Factories and Shops Acts shall be laid on the table of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively within ten days after the publication thereof if Parliament is then sitting or if not then sitting then within ten days from the next assembling of Parliament.

I. When under the Factories and Shops Acts or any by-law or regulation thereunder any class of shops is closed for a half-holiday or during certain hours no person keeping any class of shop whatever may sell on such half-holiday or during such hours as aforesaid any articles usually dealt in by such first-named class of shops. Provided that in the city of Melbourne no shopkeeper shall be deemed guilty of a contravention of this section in respect to a sale of any article on any afternoon in any week during which any class of shops is closed as aforesaid if he shall close and keep closed his shop on the Saturday afternoon of that week from the hour of half-past one o'clock.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1 agreed to with the following amendments :—

In the last sentence omit "All" and insert "The;" omit "to" and insert "shall."

Amendments 2 and 3 agreed to.

Amendment to insert new clause B—

On the motion of Mr. Peacock, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this clause:—

- Line 1, omit "deemed to have been."
- Line 2, omit "from the passing of the said Act."
- Line 8, omit "clerks" and insert "clerk."
- Line 9, omit "two-thirds of."
- Line 12, omit "two-thirds of."
- Line 15, omit "two-thirds of."

Mr. T. Smith moved, That the words "city of Melbourne," in line 16, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Metropolitan District."

Debate ensued.

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

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

At the end of the clause add—

"Provided also that if any by-law shall have been made for closing on Saturday afternoon all shops other than those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule or all shops of any particular class, it shall be lawful for all such shops or all shops of the particular class to keep open until ten o'clock on Friday evening."

Amendment to insert new clause B, as amended, agreed to.

Amendment to insert new clause C—

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

- Line 2, omit "deemed to have been."
- " omit "as from the passing of the said Act."
- Line 5, omit "two-thirds of."

Mr. Gray moved, That the following words be inserted after the word "district," in line 7—

Provided that—

- (a) Notwithstanding anything in section forty-seven of the *Factories and Shops Act 1890* or in sections thirty-four or thirty-six of the *Factories and Shops Act 1896* on and after the ninth day of January One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven every shop in the Metropolitan District other than butchers pork butchers cooked-meat sellers bakers pastrycooks florists hairdressers herbalists photographers and those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act shall be closed for the day on Saturday at the hour of one in the afternoon.
- (b) In the week in which Christmas Day falls and in the week in which the first day of January falls and in the week in which Good Friday falls it shall not be necessary to close such shops on Saturday.
- (c) At any time after the expiration of three months from the ninth day of January One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven the Governor in Council may by order published in the *Government Gazette* suspend the further operation of paragraph (a) of this sub-section. No such order shall be made unless a petition therefor signed by a majority of all the shopkeepers within the Metropolitan District whose shops are by paragraph (a) of this sub-section required to be closed at one o'clock on Saturdays has previously been addressed to the Governor in Council and forwarded to the Minister.
- (d) It shall be the duty of the municipal clerk of each municipal district within the Metropolitan District on such petition or any portion thereof being referred to him to certify how many of the persons signing such petition or any portion thereof are shopkeepers keeping shops within such municipal district of the classes of shops affected by paragraph (a) of this sub-section, and also to state and certify the total number of shopkeepers keeping such shops within such municipal district.

Debate ensued.

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

On the motion of Mr. Peacock, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this clause :—

- Line 8, omit "deemed to have been."
- Line 9, omit "as from the passing of the said Act."
- Lines 11 and 12, omit "two-thirds of."

Amendment to insert new clause C, as amended, agreed to.

Amendment to insert new clause D agreed to.

Amendment to insert new clause E—

On the motion of Mr. Peacock, the House agreed to the following amendment in this clause :—

Line 1, omit "Principal" and insert "Amending."

Sir John McIntyre moved, That the following words be added to this clause :—"Chemists also shall be exempt from the provisions of this and the Principal Act as far as they relate to any fixed time for closing so long as their assistants shall be allowed a half-holiday at least in every week."

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. A. W. H. White
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Zox.
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 45.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	"
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Deakin moved, That the words "in any shire" be added to this clause.

Debate ensued.

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

Amendment to insert new clause E, as amended, agreed to.

Amendment to insert new clause F agreed to.

Amendment to insert new clause G agreed to with the following amendment :—

Line 1, before "section" insert "the last sub-section of."

Amendment to insert new clause H disagreed with.

Amendment to insert new clause I agreed to with the following amendment :—

Line 3, after "sell" insert "or expose for sale."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments, have disagreed with one of the said amendments, and have agreed to the other amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 65.

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WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. O'Neill presented a petition from the Right Reverend Martin Crane, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Sandhurst, praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will secure the protection to church lands that was provided in the *Mines Act 1890*.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890.—Part IX.—Statement showing the Names, Remuneration, Duties, &c., of all Persons Temporarily Employed in the Departments of the Legislative Council and the Parliament Gardens.  
Public Service Acts.—Alteration of Regulations.
4. STATE BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—  
  - Clause 4 (page 3), line 4, after "Act" add "and in section thirty-eight of the Principal Act the words 'city town' are hereby inserted after the word 'shire.'"
  - Clause 8 (page 5), line 21, omit "or the expiration of his term of office."
  - Clause 12 (page 7), line 3, after "shire" insert "city town."
  - Clause 13 (page 8), line 5, after "purchased" insert "received."
  - "    "    line 6, after "purchased" insert "received."
  - "    "    line 13, after "therefor" add "the nominal value of bonds outstanding and the total amount of principal money advanced to borrowers and unpaid."
  - Clause 14    "    line 42, after "appointed" add "and such Inspector-General shall be an officer of the Commissioners."
  - "    (page 9), after sub-section (4) add the following new sub-section :—  
(5) The office of Inspector-General shall be an office or place of profit under the Crown within the meaning of Part II. of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890*.
  - Clause 15, sub-section (5), add the following words to this sub-section :—"nor of being transferred from the Commissioners to any branch of the public service at any time when a vacancy arises, and the time spent by such persons in the service of the Commissioners shall be deemed the same when considering their seniority in the public service as if they had never been transferred to the service of such Commissioners."

- Clause 16, line 14, before "borrowers" insert "applicants and."
- " between lines 16 and 17, insert the following new paragraph—"The form mode and conditions in and under which the accounts of Friendly Societies may be drawn upon by cheques."
- " lines 20 and 21, omit "this Part of."
- " lines 23 and 24, omit "this Part of."
- Clause 20 (page 14), after sub-section (18) add the following new sub-section:—
- (19) Until the Treasurer shall make out and issue the Treasury bonds hereinbefore mentioned he shall make out and issue certificates showing the amount of money hereby transferred and the amount of such deposited moneys respectively in such form as may be prescribed and shall deliver such certificates to such trustees who shall hold the same upon the like terms and conditions as are hereinbefore declared with regard to such bonds, and upon the payment of any money by the Treasurer or the delivery to the trustees of any bonds the fact of such payment or delivery shall be indorsed upon such certificates respectively and signed by the Treasurer.
- Clause 23, line 21, omit "the principal money of."
- Clause 26 (page 16), lines 3 and 4, omit "Seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds" and insert "one-tenth part."
- " line 13, after "shire" add "city town."
- " line 22, after "Melbourne" add "Treasury bonds shall include the certificates to be made out and issued by the Treasurer as hereinbefore mentioned."
- Clause 28, line 4, omit "Five" and insert "Fifteen."
- " line 5, after "whole" insert "where the security consists of agricultural or pastoral land or a greater sum than Eight thousand pounds in the whole where the security does not consist of agricultural or pastoral land, and nothing herein contained shall empower the Commissioners to lend to any one person or firm of persons or company more than Fifteen thousand pounds in the whole."
- " line 10, after "hereditaments" add "if the said lands be agricultural or pastoral land or more than one-half of the value thereof if the same be not agricultural or pastoral land."
- Clause 30, line 33, after "one" insert "and the Commissioners may issue such bonds in different series according to the rate of interest payable thereon, and each such series shall be so numbered and shall have a distinguishing letter."
- " line 45, after "half-yearly" insert "on the last day of April and the last day of October."
- Clause 33, lines 9 and 10, omit "offer or caused to be offered for sale" and insert "sell by tender."
- Clause 35, lines 17 and 18, omit "advances or credited to any borrower in the books of the Commissioners as his share of profits as hereafter provided" and insert "principal money."

Mr. Cook moved, That sub-section (2) of clause 38 be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following sub-section:—

(2) All advances shall be made in mortgage bonds at par face value.

Debate ensued.

Question—That sub-section (2) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 49.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Sangster.

Noes, 26.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Irvine,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Lazarus.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



Mr. G. Turner moved, That the following new sub-section be inserted after sub-section (3) of clause 39 :—

(4) In the case of land which has acquired a special increase of value by reason of being cultivated as vineyards hop grounds orchards fruit-growing plantations or for other like purposes the advances may be made thereon on the terms following :—

- (a) The total amount which may at any time be advanced upon any such land shall not exceed One hundred thousand pounds in the whole.
- (b) The amount of the two-thirds of the actual value which under the provisions hereinbefore in this section contained may be advanced on the land offered as security for the advance may be increased by one-fourth of such special increase of value as ascertained and certified by the valuator as hereafter provided, and the advance may be made for such amount as the Commissioners think fit not exceeding such increased amount, provided that in no case shall such special increase of the value of the land be considered for the purposes of such advance as greater than Thirty pounds per acre.
- (c) Any compensation payable under the *Vine Disease Act* 1890 or any Act amending the same to any borrower who has obtained an advance in respect of the vineyard in relation to which such compensation is payable shall be paid to the Commissioners and shall be dealt with by them as if the amount thereof had been paid by the borrower on account of the principal money payable by him.
- (d) No such advance shall be granted for a longer period than fifteen years.
- (e) The Commissioners shall prepare in like manner as hereafter mentioned the necessary tables for the repayment of such advance and the interest thereon.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Dyer moved, That the following new paragraph be inserted after paragraph (c) of sub-section (7) of clause 39 :—

- (d) To enable any borrower to purchase or acquire any land suitable for any of such purposes.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and negated.

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

- Clause 41 (page 22), line 33, after “upon” insert “and such payments shall be made on the last day of March and the last day of September in each year.”
- „ (page 23), lines 17 and 18, omit “and also the share of the borrower in the profits as hereafter provided and interest thereon at the like rate.”
- „ line 24, omit “the month in” and insert “March or the last day of September next after the day on.”
- „ line 27, omit “last day of the same month” and insert “day on which the term is to commence.”
- „ line 29, after “annum” add “and shall be payable on the last day of March or the last day of September next after the day on which the advance is made.”
- Clause 43, lines 23 and 24, omit “and moneys credited to borrowers as profits and interest as hereafter provided.”
- Clause 45 (page 24), line 44, omit “until and unless such.”
- „ (page 25), line 1, omit “Reserve Fund shall amount to the sum of Twenty-five thousand pounds.”
- „ (page 25), omit sub-sections (2), (3), (4).
- „ (page 25), line 28, omit “or accumulations as the case may require.”
- Clause 46 (page 26), line 11, omit “of.”
- „ (page 26), line 12, omit “or” and insert “of”; omit “income earning capacity” and insert “rental value.”
- „ (page 26), line 14, after “purposes” add “and in such case the valuator shall also ascertain and certify the amount of such special increase of value not exceeding the amount by which the actual market value of such land has been increased by reason of its having been so cultivated.”
- „ (page 26), between lines 28 and 29, insert “The special increase of the value of the land by reason of its having been cultivated as mentioned in sub-section (5) of this section and the estimated clear annual rental of the land as so cultivated.”
- Clause 101 (page 28), line 27, after “fee” insert “consideration remuneration gift.”
- „ (page 28), line 37, before “acts” insert “knowingly,” and before “sits” insert “knowingly.”
- „ (page 29), lines 4 and 5, omit “appointed or acting under this Act.”

Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, that the Sessional Order limiting the time for giving precedence to Government Business on Wednesday be suspended for this evening, so as to allow the consideration of the State Bank Bill to be proceeded with until nine o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Hancock moved, That the words “Friendly Societies,” in clause A, line 32 (page 30), be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “all depositors.”

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

On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—  
Clause A (page 30), line 34, omit “bank” and insert “Commissioners,” and transfer this clause so as to follow clause 29.

First Schedule, after “£” insert “25,” before “pounds” insert “Twenty-five,” after “Melbourne” where it first occurs add “or at any Savings Bank,” omit “first” before “day of” in two places and insert “last.”

Mr. Beazley offered the following clause to be added to the Bill :—

B. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act it shall be lawful for any municipality to obtain from the Savings Bank and for the bank to grant to any municipality an amount equal to its overdraft at the time of the passing of this Act (and only to be used for the purpose of liquidating such overdraft) to be repaid in accordance with Table A.

Mr. Beazley moved, That the clause be now read a second time.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.		Noes, 54.	
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Styles,	Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker	Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins.	Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Hamilton,		Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Longmore,		Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Burton,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Hancock.	Mr. Carter,	Mr. O'Neill,
		Mr. Craven,	Mr. Peacock,
		Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Rogers,
		Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Russell,
		Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
		Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
		Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sterry,
		Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
		Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
		Mr. Harper,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
		Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Webb,
		Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
		Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs	Mr. A. W. H. White,
		Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
		Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
		Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Zox.
		Mr. Kirton,	
		Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Levien,	Mr. McCay,
		Mr. Madden,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

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

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

6. HOMES PROTECTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McColl moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday, 9th December next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 17 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 9th December next.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 66.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Speaker presented—

Finance, 1895-6.—The Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June, 1896; accompanied by the Report of the Commissioners of Audit and by the documents specified in the fifty-first section of the Audit Act.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

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

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

Water Act 1890—

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

Mooroopna Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £500.

3. DESTITUTE PERSONS.—Mr. Zox moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The number of persons who have been sent to gaol in Victoria each year from the year 1890 up to the present time, not for crime, but because they were destitute, and who were subsequently transferred to the charitable institutions.

2. The number of applications during the same period for admission to charitable institutions on behalf of destitute persons other than those who were so transferred.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the Bill intituled "An Act to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes" be now laid aside.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill laid aside.

5. MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL (No. 2).—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to subsidize and enable companies to further develop gold mining and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

6. **JUSTICES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.
7. **CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clauses 2, 4, 5, and 100, and for the consideration of a new clause.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Best, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with further amendments.  
 On the motion of Mr. Best, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
 Mr. Best moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.
8. **MUNICIPALITIES' ADVANCES ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 5 be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. **CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Best moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Best, read a third time.  
 On the motion of Mr. Best, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—  
 Clause 12, line 24, after "Victoria" insert "or without reasonable excuse (the proof of which shall be upon him) has in Victoria in his possession or in the possession of any other person on behalf of such first-mentioned person."  
 Clause 17, line 34, omit "the rate ordered shall be based upon" and insert "in making such order regard shall be had to."  
 ,, line 36, after "sterling" insert "at the time of the purchase or export of the goods."  
 Mr. Best moved, That the words "unless he proves that he has acted in good faith and is not personally party to any contravention of the law relating to the Customs" be inserted after "and," in clause 18, line 15.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Mr. Moule moved, That the proposed amendment be amended by omitting therefrom the word "unless."  
 Debate continued.

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

Ayes, 35.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Kerr,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Cook.

*Tellers.*

Noes, 23.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Moule.

*Tellers.*

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. R. Murray Smith moved, That clause 19 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That clause 19, proposed to be omitted, stand part of the Bill—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Cook.

*Tellers.*

Noes, 24.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Craven,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

*Tellers.*

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 23, line 2, omit “and also for” and insert “for the purpose of.”

Clause 27, line 9, after “paid” insert “provided that where any other person establishes to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that he has a *bonâ fide* claim or lien on or in respect of the goods so detained and that he has not been a party to or in any way concerned in any contravention of the Customs laws by the owner of such goods, the Commissioner shall take such steps as he thinks just to discharge or satisfy such claim or lien or deliver up the goods.”

Clause 33, omit this clause.

Mr. Moule moved, That the following words be added to sub-section (1) of clause A:—“Such fees shall in no instance be lower than the fees for the time being demanded from the owners of places licensed as public warehouses.”

Debate ensued.

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

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 14 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
12. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 67.

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TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. NARROW-GAUGE RAILWAYS.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Supplementary Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of selecting localities for the permanent survey of Narrow-gauge Lines.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PETITION.—Mr. Murphy presented a petition from the Right Reverend James Moore, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Ballarat, praying that such amendments may be made in the Mines Acts Amendment Bill as will secure the protection to church lands that was provided in the *Mines Act* 1890.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—  
BRASSEY,  
*Governor.* *Message No. 18.*  
The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—  
“*An Act to amend the ‘Justices Act 1890’ and for other purposes.*”  
Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 27th November, 1896.
5. PAPER.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
Samuel W. Gyles.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 18th November, 1896, for a copy of all papers connected with the dismissal of Samuel W. Gyles from the Railway Department.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
6. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—  
MR. SPEAKER,  
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Companies Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.  
  
Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st December, 1896. W. A. ZEAL,  
President.  
Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 68.

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 WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Graves presented a petition from Henry Francis Singleton, Registrar of Probates and Administrations of the Supreme Court of Victoria, praying that inquiry may be made with reference to his duties and his status in the Public Service, with a view to granting him such relief as the circumstances of the case may require.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be referred to the Committee of Supply.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Kirton rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The administration of justice, with particular reference to the Leader-Tuthill case."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Kirton moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.
4. PAPER.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Life Assurance Inquiry Board.—Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council—
  - (1) To inquire into and report upon the formation, direction, management, financial position, transactions, and affairs of the Mutual Benefit Society of Australasia.
  - (2) To consider and report upon the desirability of any amendment in the law relating to the registration, supervision, and control of societies or persons transacting insurance business, or business of a like nature.
  - (3) To ascertain any matters which, in the opinion of the Board, will assist in regard to the above-mentioned subjects of inquiry and report.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. GENERAL BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesday in each week, from Half-past Eight o'clock, be suspended for this evening, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.  
Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 9th December instant.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

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# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 69.

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THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. POISONS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Poisons Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Peacock and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Poisons 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.
3. MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the granting of a loan to the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the granting of a Loan to the First Mildura Irrigation Trust 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.
4. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the expenditure of moneys available under Loan Acts for Railways.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. H. R. Williams do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to sanction the Expenditure of Moneys available under Loan Acts for Railways,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYÉS ACT 1890 (PART III.) CONTINUATION BILL.—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further continue in force Part III. of the *Employers and Employés Act 1890*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further continue in force Part III. of the ‘Employers and Employés Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
6. RAILWAY FIREWOOD TRAFFIC.—Mr. Wheeler moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of trucks of firewood consigned from Lyonville, Bullarto, and Musk Creek Railway Stations to Ballarat during the months of November, 1895, and November, 1896.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. MELBOURNE GENERAL CEMETERY.—Mr. Barrett moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Reports submitted to the Honorable the Minister of Health by the Trustees of the Melbourne General Cemetery for the years 1889, 1890, and 1895, relating to the said cemetery, in accordance with the Cemeteries Act.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. FRIDAY SITTING.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.



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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

FRIDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1896.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 53, page 17, line 42, after "equity" insert "including all land which at Church lands. the time of the commencement of the Act No. 391 had been granted by the Crown without receiving any purchase money or had been promised or reserved by the Crown or by the Governor in Council permanently or temporarily for church purposes or church and school purposes or dwelling-houses for the ministers of any denomination."

Clause 55, page 19, line 35, after "trustees" insert "and (d) so far as regards any private land in the mining districts of Sandhurst Castlemaine or Ararat and on which any church or other place registered as a place of worship is situated such lease shall give the holder thereof the right to mine thereunder at a greater depth than four hundred feet from the lowest part of the surface, but no such lease shall be granted except for quartz mines. Such lease shall be freed and discharged from all liability on the part of the applicant to pay to the owners or trustees any purchase money or to obtain the consent of the owners or trustees thereto."

Clause 57, page 20, line 39, omit "church."

" line 45; after "surface" insert new sub-section—

( ) Except in the mining districts of Sandhurst Castlemaine and Ararat no <sup>As to mining</sup> lease shall be granted of any mines nor shall any mining operations be carried on under <sup>under churches.</sup> any private land on which any church or other place registered as a place of worship is situated, nor shall it be competent for any person to mark out or occupy such private land by virtue of a miner's right. This sub-section shall not however be deemed to affect any lease or claim granted or held before the commencement of this Act.

Clause 58, lines 18 and 19, omit "the last preceding section" and insert "this Part."

" line 44, after "necessary" add "Every such owner occupier and trustee shall before entering inspecting or surveying any of the underground workings. make a declaration before the warden (who is hereby authorized to take the same) that he the said owner occupier and trustee will not (except so far as may be necessary to protect or enforce his rights or except as a witness in a court of justice) without the consent in writing of the lessee divulge or cause to be divulged to any person whomsoever any information obtained upon or by such entry inspection or survey; and every such owner occupier or trustee who shall act contrary to such declaration shall forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding Fifty pounds."

Clause 76, page 28, line 9, at end of clause add—" (4) This section shall not apply to any private land on which any church is situated."

Clause 102, line 25, at end of clause add—"This section shall not apply to any private land on which any church is situated."

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896,'" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council, have disagreed with other of the said amendments, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 3rd December, 1896.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. **RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE RESCINDED.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the resolution of this House that the House, at its rising, adjourn until this day at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m. be rescinded.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-one minutes past twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday next

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 70.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY GOODS FREIGHTS.—Mr. Longmore moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the comparative statement as to the old and new goods freights on the Victorian railways.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. REMUNERATION OF RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS.—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Regulations of the Victorian Railways Commissioner as to the remuneration of employés.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
Railway Goods Freights.  
Remuneration of Railway Employés.  
Returns to the foregoing Orders.  
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the rates of reductions of salaries provided for in the *Public Service Retrenchment Act 1893*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the 'Public Service Retrenchment Act 1893,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the rates of reductions of salaries provided for in the *Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Foster do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the 'Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REDUCTION BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for reducing the number of Members of the Legislative Assembly and re-distributing Victoria into electoral districts and for other purposes.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for reducing the number of Members of the Legislative Assembly and re-distributing Victoria into Electoral Districts and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message No. 19.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895*.  
Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1896.

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

On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895*.

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

Ordered—That Mr. H. R. Williams and Mr. G. Turner do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

9. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

Water Act 1890.—Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 13.

11. OVERPAYMENTS TO THE STATE FOR LAND.—Mr. Langdon moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The names and addresses of all persons who since the year 1869 have overpaid to the State any amounts on account of land, either as rents or on account of purchase money.
2. The amount overpaid by each person.
3. The total amount so overpaid.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of the [Notices of Motion, General Business.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. FLOUR AND OATS IMPORTED.—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The quantity of flour imported into Victoria under bond or under drawback regulations from the 1st January last to the 30th November.
2. The names of the firms importing, using, and re-exporting the same.
3. The quantity of oats imported, if any, under bond for gristing purposes for the same period.
4. The names of the firms importing same.
5. The conditions and supervision under which the flour is imported and handled and the gristing of oats done.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

14. CAPE PATTERSON AND KILCUNDA JUNCTION RAILWAY ACT.—Mr. T. Smith moved, pursuant to notice, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to amend and continue an Act (No. 980) to authorize the construction of the Cape Patterson and Kilcunda Junction Railway and for other purposes, and that all fees be remitted with regard to such Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 16 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 17.

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

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

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

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

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

17. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—

*Resolved*—Subject to the Income Tax Acts the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the said Acts be charged, levied, collected, and paid for the use of Her Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):—

- (a) On all income derived by any person from personal exertion—  
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Twelve hundred pounds, Fourpence ;  
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Twelve hundred pounds and up to Two thousand and two hundred pounds, Sixpence ;  
 and for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Two thousand and two hundred pounds, Eightpence.
- (b) On all income derived by any person from the produce of property within Victoria—  
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Twelve hundred pounds, Eightpence ;  
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Twelve hundred pounds and up to Two thousand and two hundred pounds, Twelvepence ;  
 and for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Two thousand and two hundred pounds, Sixteenpence.

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

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

18. **INCOME TAX BILL.**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to declare the Rates of Duties of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and to amend the ‘Income Tax Act 1895,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

19. **CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 28.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. McColl,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

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

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

New clause A, at end of clause add—“ This section shall be deemed not to apply to the lists of ratepaying electors and the general lists revised or to be revised at any revision court held or commenced to be held in February One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.”

Clause 28, line 36, omit “ this ” and insert “ the Principal.”

Clause 29, page 5, line 3, before “ said ” insert “ provisions of the.”

Clause 50, sub-section (2), line 39, omit "the form" and insert "one of the forms."  
 " sub-section (3), line 42, omit "the form" and insert "one of the forms."  
 " sub-section (5), at the end of the sub-section add—"Such notice if marked 'electoral business only' shall be transmitted through the post free of charge."  
 Clause 65, page 11, lines 45 and 46, omit "The Constitution Act Amendment," and insert "such."

Part II., omit the words "Division I."

Clause 100, line 19, omit "(No. II.)" and insert "numbered (II.)."

First Schedule.—Under the heading "First Schedule" insert "Form A." After the heading "Application for a Transferred Elector's Right for the Legislative Assembly" insert "(Residential Qualification)."

At the end of the Schedule insert—

FORM B.

APPLICATION FOR A TRANSFERRED ELECTOR'S RIGHT FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

(Non-residential Qualification.)

To the Registrar of the Division of the Electoral District of

I hereby claim to have a transferred elector's right issued to me for the Division of the Electoral District of in respect of a non-residential qualification, and I forward a Sixpenny stamp in payment for the same.

(Signed)

Witness—

Declaration.

I, the above-named, solemnly and sincerely declare that I am a natural-born British subject [or a naturalized British subject since ], that I am of the full age of twenty-one years, that I am the absolute and true owner of the lands in respect of which I claim to vote, that I am not at present receiving relief as an inmate of any eleemosynary or charitable institution other than a hospital, that the particulars stated at the foot hereof are correct, that I am the person named as in the elector's right forwarded herewith, that the same was issued to me, that the signature thereon is my signature, and that I have received no other elector's right for any division of the district to which this claim relates.

Surname.	Christian Names in full.	Residence of Claimant, including Name of Street and Number or Name (if any) of House.	Occupation.	Situation, Name, or other Description of the Lands in respect of which Applicant claims to vote.	Clear Value or Clear Yearly Value or Yearly Rent of the Lands in respect of which Applicant claims to vote.

(Signature of Claimant.)

I certify that to the best of my belief the statements made herein by are correct and that signed this claim and declaration before me this day of 189

Clerk of Petty Sessions at  
 or Postmaster at  
 or State School Teacher, School No. at  
 or Member of the Police Force stationed at

Second Schedule—

Under the heading "Second Schedule" insert "Form A."  
 After the heading "Application for a Substituted Elector's Right for the Legislative Assembly" insert "(Residential Qualification)."

At the end of the Schedule insert—

FORM B.

APPLICATION FOR A SUBSTITUTED ELECTOR'S RIGHT FOR THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

(Non-residential Qualification.)

To the Registrar of the Division of the Electoral District of  
 I hereby claim to have a substituted elector's right issued to me for the Division of the Electoral District of in respect of a non-residential qualification, and I forward a Sixpenny stamp in payment for the same.

(Signed)

Witness—

## Declaration.

I, the above-named \_\_\_\_\_, solemnly and sincerely declare that I am a natural-born British subject [or a naturalized British subject since \_\_\_\_\_], that I am of the full age of twenty-one years, that I am the absolute and true owner of the lands in respect of which I claim to vote, that I am not at present receiving relief as an inmate of any eleemosynary or charitable institution other than a hospital, that the particulars stated at the foot hereof are correct, that I am the person to whom the defaced or torn elector's right forwarded herewith was issued, that the same was issued to me, that the signature thereon, or so much as is legible, is my signature [or, if the elector's right be lost, that I received an elector's right for the \_\_\_\_\_ Division of the Electoral District of \_\_\_\_\_, that I have made diligent search for the elector's right, and that to the best of my belief the same is wholly lost]. (If the applicant seeks to be enrolled for a division other than that for which his lost torn or defaced right was issued to him, add and that the substituted elector's right for which I now apply is "for transfer only.")

Surname.	Christian Names in full.	Residence of Claimant, including Name of Street and Number or Name (if any) of House.	Occupation.	Situation, Name, or other Description of the Lands in respect of which Applicant claims to vote.	Clear Value or Clear Yearly Value or Yearly Rent of the Lands in respect of which Applicant claims to vote.

(Signature of Claimant.)

I certify that to the best of my belief the statements made herein by \_\_\_\_\_ are correct and that \_\_\_\_\_ signed this claim and declaration before me this day of \_\_\_\_\_ 189\_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of Petty Sessions at  
or Postmaster at  
or State School Teacher, School No. \_\_\_\_\_ at  
or Member of the Police Force stationed at \_\_\_\_\_

Fourth Schedule.—After "Surname" omit "in full."

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

20. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

In clause 9, line 24, omit "section" and insert "sub-section."

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

21. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 8th December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the 'Local Government Act 1890' and for other purposes*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 8th December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Municipalities' Advances Act 1895*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 8th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Aliens Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 8th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:—

After clause 5 insert new clause—

A. In section 5 of the *Aliens Act 1890*, after the word "naturalized" insert "if he has resided continuously within Victoria for a period of three years and."

And the said amendment was read a second time.

On the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, the amendment, after debate, was agreed to with the following amendments:—Omit "Victoria" and insert "the Australasian colonies"; and at the end of the clause add the following paragraph:—"Provided that nothing in this section contained shall affect the operation of section nine of the *Aliens Act 1890* or affect the discretion of the Governor in Council under the said section."

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

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

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

1. After clause 6 insert new clauses—

B. For section thirty-four of the Amending Act there shall be deemed to have been substituted from the passing of the said Act the following section:—

34. The following sub-section shall be deemed to be the last sub-section of section forty-seven of the Principal Act:—

For closing for one afternoon in each week from the hour of one o'clock—

(a) all shops other than those specified in the Fourth Schedule;

(b) all shops of any particular class whatsoever.

Provided that before any such by-law be made a petition certified to by the municipal clerks as signed by a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers whose shops it is desired to close shall be presented to the municipal council.

In the case of a petition for closing all shops other than those specified in the Fourth Schedule the majority shall be a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers keeping such shops.

In the case of a petition for closing all shops of a particular class the majority shall be a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers keeping shops of that class.

Provided also that in the city of Melbourne no shopkeeper shall be deemed guilty of a breach of any such by-law by reason only of his not complying with the same if he shall close and keep closed his shop on the Saturday of each and every week during which he shall fail to comply with such by-law from the hour of half-past one o'clock in the afternoon. Provided also that no shopkeeper shall be guilty of a contravention of any such by-law provided he close his shop on some one afternoon in the week on which shops carrying on any one of the businesses carried on by him are closed.

Clause B agreed to by Assembly, with the following amendments:—Line 2, omit "deemed to have been." Lines 3 and 4, omit "from the passing of the said Act." Line 16, omit "clerks" and insert "clerk."

Line 17, omit "two-thirds of." Line 23, omit "two-thirds of." Line 27, omit "two-thirds of."

At end of clause add—"Provided also that if any by-law shall have been made for closing on Saturday afternoon all shops other than those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule or all shops of any particular class it shall be lawful for all such shops or all shops of the particular class to keep open until ten o'clock on Friday evening."

Agreed to  
by Council.

Disagreed  
with by  
Council.

Agreed to  
by Council.



Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

C. For sub-section four of section thirty-six of the Amending Act there shall be deemed to have been substituted as from the passing of the said Act the following sub-section :—

4. In the case of a regulation being desired for the whole of the Metropolitan District such petition shall be signed by a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers other than those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act or of all the shopkeepers keeping shops of the particular class within such district.

For sub-section five of the same section there shall be deemed to have been substituted as from the passing of the said Act the following sub-section :—

5. In the case of a regulation being desired for two or more contiguous municipal districts within the Metropolitan District such petition shall be signed by a majority of two-thirds of all the shopkeepers other than those mentioned in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act or of all the shopkeepers keeping shops of the particular class within such contiguous districts.

Clause C agreed to by Assembly with the following amendments :—Lines 3 and 4, omit “deemed to have been” and “as from the passing of the said Act.” } Agreed to by Council.

Line 9, omit “two-thirds of.” } Disagreed with by Council.

Line 15, omit “deemed to have been.” Line 16, omit “as from the passing of the said Act.” } Agreed to by Council.

Line 22, omit “two-thirds of.” } Disagreed with by Council.

2. Insert the following new clauses :—

E. Nothing in this or the Principal Act shall apply to creameries butter and cheese concentrated and condensed milk factories or persons engaged in dairying and in agriculture.

Clause E agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment :—Line 1, omit “Principal” and insert “Amending.”

Amendment to omit “Principal” disagreed with by Council, and amendment to insert “Amending” agreed to with the following amendment, viz., insert “or” before “Amending.”

Line 5, after “agriculture” add “in any shire.” } Disagreed with by Council.

I. When under the Factories and Shops Acts or any by-law or regulation thereunder any class of shops is closed for a half-holiday or during certain hours no person keeping any class of shop whatever may sell on such half-holiday or during such hours as aforesaid any articles usually dealt in by such first-named class of shops. Provided that in the city of Melbourne no shopkeeper shall be deemed guilty of a contravention of this section in respect to a sale of any article on any afternoon in any week during which any class of shops is closed as aforesaid if he shall close and keep closed his shop on the Saturday afternoon of that week from the hour of half-past one o’clock.

Clause I agreed to with the following amendment :—Line 6, after “sell” insert “or expose for sale.” } Disagreed with by Council.

And, after debate—

Amendment 1, amendments of the Assembly in lines 17, 23, and 27 of new clause B, and in lines 9 and 22 of new clause C, insisted on.

Amendment 2, amendment of the Assembly to omit “Principal,” in line 1 of new clause E, not insisted on, and amendment of the Council to insert “or” before “Amending” agreed to.

Amendment of the Assembly to insert “in any shire” after “agriculture” in the same clause insisted on, with the following amendment :—After “shire” insert “or borough outside the metropolitan area”; and with the following consequential amendments :—After “factories” in the said clause insert “in any shire or borough outside the metropolitan area,” and before “persons” insert “to.”

Amendment of the Assembly to insert "or expose for sale," in line 6 of new clause I—

Mr. Rawson moved, That the amendment of the Assembly be amended by omitting therefrom the word "expose," with a view to insert in place thereof the word "offer."

Debate ensued.

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

Amendment of the Assembly insisted on with the following amendment:—Before "sale" insert "present."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on their amendments in clauses B and C with which the Legislative Council have disagreed; that they have amended one of their amendments in clause E, disagreed with by the Legislative Council, and have made consequential amendments in the same clause, that they do not insist on one of their amendments in the said clause disagreed with by the Legislative Council, that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council on one of the Assembly's amendments in the said clause; and that they insist on their amendments in clause I, with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

24. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. In the title, after "1890" add "and for other purposes."
2. Clause 2, after line 12 insert "'Articles of association' in reference to companies incorporated outside Victoria means the rules or regulations of such company by whatever designation they are usually known."
3. " line 17, after "body" insert "in Victoria."
4. " (page 2), lines 7–10, omit "'Director' includes member of a board, and in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria shall also include persons being or acting as directors of or in relation to the business of the company in Victoria," and insert "'Director' means member of a board, and in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria shall also mean persons being or acting in Victoria as directors of or in relation to the business of the company but shall not in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria mean or include persons who act only as advisers to the manager of a company and have and exercise no executive power in the management of such company."
5. " " after line 20 insert "'Proprietary company' means a company under Part I. of the Principal Act which fulfils all the following requirements, namely:—
  - (a) has not more than twenty-five members or shareholders;
  - (b) does not receive deposits, except from its members or shareholders, for fixed periods or payable at call, whether bearing or not bearing interest;
  - (c) does not use its title without the addition thereto, immediately before the word 'limited,' of the word 'proprietary';
  - (d) has filed with the Registrar-General a written notice of the fact of such addition to its name;
  - (e) has received from the Registrar-General a certificate that in his opinion the company has duly complied with the foregoing requirements; and
  - (f) has published a copy of such certificate in the *Government Gazette*."
6. Clause 6, line 5, omit "one-fourth" and insert "one-half."
7. Clause 14, line 43, omit "some" and insert "a daily newspaper published in Melbourne and in one."
8. " (page 5), line 1, after "locality" insert "other than in Melbourne."
9. Clause 15, line 13, after "expenses" insert "necessarily."
10. Clause 21, line 22, after "money" insert "or value received."
11. " line 28, after "share" add "in money or value received."
12. " line 33, after "up" add "in money or value received."
13. " (page 7), line 19, after "Acts" add "or (cc) to any proprietary company."
14. Clause 23, lines 37–8, omit "any company which carries on insurance business only" and insert "the life assurance business of any company which is subject to Part III. of the Principal Act or to any proprietary company."
15. Clause 24, omit this clause.
16. Clause 25 (page 9), line 9, omit "or place."
17. " " line 29, omit "of" and insert "or."
18. " " line 33, after "is" insert "used or."
19. " " line 35, after "increased" insert "since the last balance-sheet."
20. " " lines 40–41, omit "contains the particulars required by this Act and."
21. " " line 42, after "affairs" add "and such balance-sheet shall be in one of the forms in the Third Schedule to this Act or to the like effect, and shall be accompanied by a certificate of not less than two directors that in their opinion the statement is correct."
22. " (page 10), line 7, omit "and the return hereinafter provided for are" and insert "is."

23. Clause 25 (page 10), lines 8-12, omit "and if the manager of the company files with the Registrar-General with such copy of the latest general balance-sheet a return signed by such manager and showing all the information required by sub-section two of this section unless such information is shown in the balance-sheet."
24. Clause 26, omit paragraph (b).
25. " omit paragraph (c) and insert "(cc) the said representation shall be accompanied by a statement showing whether or not such reserve fund is used in the business, and if any portion thereof is otherwise invested showing the manner in which and the securities upon which the same is invested."
26. " omit sub-clause (2).
27. " lines 36-7, omit "knowingly or with gross negligence" and insert "wilfully."
28. " line 41, omit "an offence against this Act" and insert "a misdemeanour and in addition to any civil responsibility shall on conviction be liable to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding two years; and any director or manager who shall through culpable negligence alone or in conjunction with any other person sign publish issue or circulate or cause to be signed published issued or circulated any balance-sheet summary advertisement statement of assets and liabilities or other document in contravention of this sub-section shall in addition to any civil responsibility be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds."
29. " line 43, omit "passing" and insert "commencement."
30. Clause 28, lines 2-3, omit "any company which carries on insurance business only" and insert "the life assurance business of any company which is subject to Part III. of the Principal Act or to any proprietary company or to any company incorporated outside Victoria and not having its head or principal office within Victoria."
31. Clause 29, line 8, omit "found it correct" and insert "have certified to the correctness or otherwise of the said balance-sheet."
32. Clause 32, line 11, after "persons" insert "one at least of whom shall have been a public accountant practising in Victoria for five years immediately preceding his appointment."
33. " omit "(2) Each of the following persons shall if the Board is satisfied with his general conduct and character be qualified to receive from the Board a licence to act as an auditor for companies (that is to say):—  
 (a) any person who holds a certificate of competency granted by the Municipal Auditors' Board pursuant to the Local Government Acts;  
 (b) any person who is a member of the Incorporated Institute of Accountants, Victoria, or of the Federal Institute of Accountants, Victoria, or of the Australian Institute of Incorporated Accountants, or of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, or of the Society of Accountants and Auditors (incorporated 1885), or of any institute society or association approved of by the Governor in Council and notified in the *Government Gazette*;  
 (c) any person who proves to the satisfaction of the Board that within five years before the commencement of this Act he practised in Victoria for at least three years as an auditor or accountant; and."
34. " line 35, omit "(d)" and insert "(2)."
35. " line 36, after "accounts" insert "and auditing."
36. " line 37, after "Acts" add "shall be qualified to receive from the Board a licence to act as an auditor for companies."
37. " (page 13), line 3, omit "the Governor in Council" and insert "a Judge of a County Court."
38. " " line 4, omit "Governor in Council" and insert "said Judge."
39. Clause 33, line 21, omit "in Victoria."
40. Clause 34, line 29, omit "affairs and" and insert "financial and trading."
41. " (page 14), line 2, omit "he has" and insert "they have"; and, in same line, omit "has" and insert "have."
42. " " line 12, omit "or through culpable negligence."
43. " " line 14, after first word "shall" insert "in addition to any civil responsibility."
44. " " line 15, at end of clause add "and any auditor who through culpable negligence certifies that any false or fraudulent balance-sheet or account is correct shall in addition to any civil responsibility be guilty of an offence, and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding Two hundred and fifty pounds."
45. Clause 36, line 11, omit "thirty-one" and insert "thirty-four."
46. Page 15, after line 12 insert new clause—  
 AA. This subdivision shall not apply to a proprietary company.
47. Clause 37, line 14, after "members" insert "not indebted to the company."
48. " lines 14-15, omit "one-twentieth part" and insert "one-tenth part in number and value."
49. " lines 15-16, omit "or of one-twentieth of the creditors of the company in number or value."
50. " line 17, omit "or creditors."

51. Clause 44, lines 2-7, omit "Except as provided in the Companies Acts in regard to forfeited shares no company shall either directly or indirectly purchase or deal in or lend money or make advances or allow discounts upon the security or pledge of its own shares or lend money or make advances or allow discounts upon the security or pledge of its own debentures or debenture stock" and insert "Except as provided in the Companies Acts in regard to forfeited shares a banking company shall not either directly or indirectly purchase or deal in or lend money or make advances upon the security or pledge of any share of its own capital stock."
52. " line 26, after "stock" insert "or paying off or purchasing or redeeming any of its debentures or debenture stock."
53. " line 29, after "discount" insert "or the right to pay off or purchase or redeem any of its debentures or debenture stock as the case may be."
54. Clause 45, line 34, omit "director."
55. " line 36, omit "director."
56. Clause 46, line 2, after "Every" insert "banking."
57. " line 5, omit "and discounts whether."
58. " line 6, omit "or elsewhere due" and insert "owing."
59. " line 7, omit "manager officers or auditors."
60. " line 9, omit "manager officers or auditors."
61. " line 11, omit "and discounts."
62. " line 13, omit "and discounts whether."
63. " line 14, omit "or elsewhere due" and insert "owing."
64. " line 16, omit "manager officers or auditors."
65. " line 18, omit "manager officers or auditors."
66. " line 20, omit "and discounts."
67. " line 22, omit "and discounts whether."
68. " line 23, omit "or elsewhere due" and insert "owing."
69. " lines 24-5, omit "manager officers or auditors."
70. " lines 25-6, omit "manager officers or auditors."
71. " line 27, omit "and discounts."
72. " line 29, after "Every" insert "banking."
73. " " after "any" insert "such."
74. Clause 49, lines 28-30, omit "if the shareholders by extraordinary resolution so declare be deemed to be profits arising from the business of the company" and insert "be carried to the credit of a reserve fund."
75. Clause 51, line 7, after "pounds" add "provided that any company registered before the commencement of this Act may continue to retain and use any of the aforesaid titles if within twelve months from such commencement it has a subscribed capital of not less than Two hundred thousand pounds and a paid-up capital of not less than Seventy-five thousand pounds."
76. " after sub-clause (2) insert new sub-clauses—  
 (2a) No company shall assume or use the word "proprietary" as part of its title until and unless it shall have complied with all the requirements required by this Act to be fulfilled by a proprietary company.  
 (2b) No company shall use the word "proprietary" as part of its title if at any time after having become a proprietary company it shall have failed to fulfil any of the requirements required by this Act to be fulfilled by any proprietary company.
77. Clause 53 (page 21), line 14, after "directors" insert "or manager."
78. " " omit sub-clause (8).
79. Clause 55, line 14, omit "one month" and insert "two months."
80. " (page 25), line 27, after "up" add "provided that no such extraordinary resolution shall be proposed unless at least seven days' notice of the intention to move the same shall have been given by the chairman of the meeting in writing to every member of the company."
81. " " line 32, omit "and" and insert "or in the event of there being no directors."
82. Clause 58 (page 27), line 8, after "Six" insert "pounds."
83. " " line 29, after "Six" insert "pounds."
84. Clause 71, at end of clause add—  
 (2) Such statutory declaration shall be accompanied by a copy of the memorandum of association and articles of association of the company or society, attested by the public officer for the time being of such company or society to be a true transcript of the original memorandum of association and articles of association respectively of such company or society, and such memorandum of association and articles of association shall be registered in the office of the Registrar-General, and the same shall be open for inspection at all reasonable times by any person requiring to inspect the same.
85. After clause 80 insert new clause—  
 A. The court may at the time of or at any time after sanctioning any arrangement or compromise under the *Companies Act Amendment Act 1892* make such alteration in the memorandum or articles of association or deed of settlement of the company making such arrangement or compromise as the court may think necessary or desirable in order to carry out or give effect to such arrangement or compromise, and in such event the provisions of the four next preceding sections of this Act shall not apply.

86. Clause 84, line 40, omit "the" where it first occurs.
87. Clause 97, line 1, before "The" insert "(1)."
88. ,, line 7, after "forfeited" insert "or surrendered."
89. ,, at end of clause add—  
 (a) Where shares in any company have been lawfully forfeited or surrendered in pursuance of any power in that behalf contained in the articles of association of such company or in the Companies Acts, the amount paid up on such forfeited or surrendered shares may be passed to the credit of a reserve fund or used to write down the book values of any assets of the company, or so much of the said amount as may be required for the purpose may be used to write off losses previously made, but in no case shall any portion of such amount be treated as profit available for dividends or bonus.
90. After clause 99 insert new clause—  
 B. The court may at the time of or at any time after sanctioning any arrangement or compromise under the *Companies Act Amendment Act 1892* sanction the reduction of the capital of the company making such arrangement or compromise as the court may think necessary or desirable to carry out or give effect to such arrangement or compromise, and in such event sections *eighty-seven to ninety* inclusive *ninety-three and ninety-five and ninety-six* of this Act shall not apply, and the order of the court containing such sanction shall have the same effect as an order of the court confirming the reduction of the capital of a company under this Act.
91. Clause 102, lines 35-41, omit "together with such particulars of the nature and effect of such contract and also every material fact known to any director promoter or trustee who is a party to the issue of the prospectus as are material to be made known to a person invited to take shares in order to enable him to form a judgment as to the expediency of so doing."
92. Clause 106, line 29, after "for" insert "or is the actual holder of."
93. Clause 115, line 1, before "creates" insert "fraudulently."
94. ,, ,, after "the" insert "fraudulent."
95. ,, line 9, before "party" insert "knowingly a."
96. Clause 119, omit this clause.
97. Clause 123, line 18, before "of" insert "or section one hundred and seventy-seven."
98. Clause 127, line 37, after "company" insert "unless so determined by a resolution carried by a majority of the creditors in number and value at a meeting convened by the manager of the company of which seven days' notice has been given to every creditor stating the object of the meeting."
99. Clause 129, line 14, after "company" insert "or if any vacancy occurs in the office of liquidator of a company."
100. ,, line 37, after "sum" insert "not exceeding Ten pounds."
101. Clause 130 (page 52), line 5, after "verified" insert "to the best of their belief and knowledge."
102. Clause 142, line 36, omit "by order of the court."
103. Clause 146, lines 27-9, omit "and is about to be dissolved all such documents shall be deposited with the Registrar-General" and insert "the liquidator or person to whom the custody of the documents of the company or of the liquidator has been committed shall so soon as he shall not require their further use deposit the same with the Registrar-General who after retaining the same for five years from the date of the dissolution of the company may destroy the same."
104. After clause 159 insert new clause—  
 E. Where the liquidators of a company which is being wound up voluntarily have convened a general meeting of the company for the purposes of and in accordance with section one hundred and twenty-eight of the Principal Act and such meeting shall not have been attended by the number of members necessary to constitute a meeting, the liquidators may file with the Registrar-General a statutory declaration showing that the meeting was duly convened but was not attended as aforesaid, and on the expiration of three months from the date of filing such statutory declaration the company shall be deemed to be dissolved; the Registrar-General shall indorse upon the said statutory declaration such direction with reference to the disposal of the books accounts and documents of the company as he may think fit, and such direction shall have the same effect as the extraordinary resolution mentioned in section one hundred and forty of the Principal Act.
105. Clause 160 (page 63), line 30, omit "unless they or he prove that they or he had no" and insert "if it be proved that they or he had."
106. ,, (page 64), line 11, omit "company" and insert "proposed transferror."
107. After clause 160 insert the following new headline and clauses :—

DIVISION X.—BUILDING SOCIETIES.

- BB. In section 20 of the *Building Societies Act 1890* for the words "three times" there shall be substituted the word "twice"; and for the words "three years" there shall be substituted the words "two years'."

- CC. (1) Every society which receives deposits or loans at interest pursuant to the provisions of section twenty of the *Building Societies Act 1890* shall retain absolutely free from any mortgage charge or encumbrance made given or granted by such society Government or municipal debentures or stock Treasury bonds or bills or the title deeds of real property to the value of not less than One hundred and twenty pounds for each One hundred pounds so received on deposit or loan by such society.
- (2) This section shall not be deemed to affect any mortgage charge or encumbrance actually entered into before the commencement of this Act.
- DD. Notwithstanding anything contained in the *Building Societies Act 1890* no society shall purchase or take on lease any land or build upon the same except for the purpose of holding the meetings and transacting the business of the society therein.
108. Page 64, line 20, omit "Division X." and insert "Division XI."
109. Clause 161, omit this clause.
110. After clause 164 insert new clause—
- EE. (1) On being requested in writing so to do by the transferrer of a share in a company the company shall by writing require the person having the possession custody or control of any such share scrip and transfer to bring the same into the office of the company within a period named in such requisition, not less than seven days from the date thereof, to be cancelled rectified or the transfer thereof registered or otherwise dealt with as the case may require.
- (2) If any person refuses or neglects to comply with any such requisition as aforesaid the said transferrer may apply to a judge to issue a summons for such person to appear before the court and show cause why the documents mentioned in such requisition should not be delivered up or produced for the purpose mentioned in such requisition; and upon appearance before the court of any person so summoned it shall be lawful for the court to examine such person upon oath and to receive other evidence, or if he do not appear after being duly served with such summons then to receive evidence in his absence and (in case the same shall seem proper) to order such person to deliver up such documents to the company upon such terms or conditions as to such court shall seem fit, and the cost of the summons and proceedings thereon shall be in the discretion of the court.
- (3) Lists of share scrip called in as aforesaid and not brought in shall be exhibited in the company's office and shall be advertised in the *Government Gazette* and in such newspapers and at such time or times as the company shall think fit.
111. Clause 165, omit this clause and insert new clause—
- FF. (1) The transfer after the commencement of this Act of a share in any company or society to an infant for the purpose of avoiding or evading liability with regard to such share shall not relieve the transferrer of any such liability.
- (2) No transfer after the commencement of this Act of a share in any company or society made for the purpose of avoiding or evading liability with regard to such share shall relieve the transferrer of any such liability if the transfer is made to any person for a nominal consideration or for no consideration or for valuable consideration expressed but not paid to the transferrer or for a consideration paid to the transferee or with a trust or reservation expressed or implied for the benefit of the transferrer or to a person known to the transferrer to be unable to pay the liability on such share unless such transfer shall have been made and registered two years before the company or society shall be wound up.
112. Clause 166, omit this clause.
113. After clause 167 insert new clause—
- C. For Rule No. 22 of the Seventh Schedule to the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following rule which shall apply to every company which is being wound up whether the winding up began before or after the commencement of this Act, namely:—
22. Interest on such debts and claims as shall be allowed shall be computed as to such of them as carry interest after the rate they respectively carry, any creditor whose debt or claim so allowed does not carry interest shall be entitled to interest at such rate of interest not exceeding Four pounds per centum per annum from the date of the order to wind up the company as the judge may direct out of any assets which may remain after satisfying the costs of the winding up and the debts and claims established.
114. Clause 169, line 39, omit "One hundred" and insert "Twenty-five."
115. Clause 170, line 41, after "Attorney-General" insert "or Solicitor-General."
116. After clause 173 insert new clauses—
- I. The Governor in Council may from time to time by proclamation under his hand and published in the *Government Gazette* declare that the provisions of the *Reconstructed Companies Act 1893* shall apply to any reconstructed company or corporation named in such proclamation from a date to be therein specified.
- KK. The court may on the application of any member shareholder or creditor of any company certified by the Registrar-General as a proprietary company determine whether such company is a proprietary company within the meaning of this Act and if the court determine that it is not a proprietary company then the company shall be a limited company under this and the Principal Act and subject to all the provisions and conditions therein contained except those relating to proprietary companies.

117. First Schedule, 3rd column, omit "eight-seven" and insert "eighty-seven."  
 118. " " after "forty" omit "and"; after "fifty-two" insert "and section three hundred and eighty-seven."  
 119. " 2nd column, last line, omit "1890" and insert "1892."  
 120. Third Schedule, omit "Monday" and "March" wherever they occur.  
 121. " (page 69), Form B, under (2) "Statement of assets and liabilities," &c., insert after 9, "9a. Stock-in-trade, goods, chattels, and effects—value £ ."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendments 1 to 3 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 4 agreed to with the following amendments :—

In line 4 of the amendment, omit "means" and insert "includes."

In line 10 of the amendment, after "executive" insert "or controlling."

Amendment 5 agreed to with the following amendments :—

At the end of paragraph (a) insert "and (in the case of a company limited by shares and formed after the commencement of this Act) has and continues to have its capital divided into not more than two hundred and fifty shares."

In paragraph (e), after "requirements" insert "up to the date of the certificate"

Amendment 6 disagreed with.

Amendments 7 to 9 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 10 disagreed with.

Amendment 11 agreed to with the following amendment :—Omit "or value received."

Amendment 12 agreed to with the following amendment :—Omit "or value received."

Amendment 13 agreed to.

Amendment 14 agreed to.

Amendment 15 disagreed with.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the amendments be postponed until to-morrow.

25. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 5 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 71.

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 WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Wheeler rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The new railway freights."  
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—  
Mr. Wheeler moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Order under which the motion was made be suspended, so far as to allow the discussion to be continued for more than two hours.  
Debate continued.  
Question—That the House do now adjourn—put and negatived.
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Deakin, Chairman, brought up the Report of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill; together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Map.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.  
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and recommitted to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.
4. LIMITATION OF BUSINESS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended, so far as Government Business is concerned, for the remainder of the Session, except on Wednesdays.  
Debate ensued.  
And the debate not being concluded by half-past eight o'clock—  
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
6. 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.  
Mr. Longmore moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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And, after debate—

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Dyer,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Grattan.

Noes, 51.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Cook.
Mr. McCay,	

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 47.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Cook.
Mr. Kirton,	

Noes, 23.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Moule.
Mr. McLeod,	

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

Sir John McIntyre submitted that, as the motion had not been passed with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of Members of the House, the Bill ought not to be further proceeded with. He asked the Speaker's ruling on the question.

And several Honorable Members having addressed the House—

MR. SPEAKER said—A similar question was raised some weeks ago in connexion with another Bill. As I stated on that occasion the point at issue is purely a question of law, and the responsibility of determining really rests with the Law Officers of the Crown when the time comes for presenting the Bill to the Governor for his assent if it passes both Houses of Parliament. However, as my ruling is requested, I will state that, in my opinion, the present Bill is one that requires to have its second and third readings passed by an absolute majority of the House. It alters the constitution of the Legislative Council by taking away from that House, under certain conditions, the right given to it by the first section of the Constitution Act, in conjunction with the Legislative Assembly, "to make laws in and for Victoria in all cases whatsoever." I hold that the constitution of the Council is as much altered by taking away its legislative power as by reducing the number of its Members. It would be ridiculous to say that a Bill for the latter purpose requires a statutory majority, and that a Bill for the other purpose does not. The question, I repeat, is essentially a legal question, and the ruling I give is that of a layman. If the House differs from my opinion, I am quite willing that it shall adopt a resolution to that effect.

Mr. Higgins moved, That Mr. Speaker's ruling be disagreed with.

Debate ensued.

Mr. G. Turner moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 16th December instant.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 21 inclusive, be postponed until Wednesday, 23rd December instant.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 72.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1896.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented—

Destitute Persons.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 26th November, 1896, for a return showing—

1. The number of persons who have been sent to gaol in Victoria each year from the year 1890 up to the present time, not for crime, but because they were destitute, and who were subsequently transferred to the charitable institutions.
2. The number of applications during the same period for admission to charitable institutions on behalf of destitute persons other than those who were so transferred.

Mr. H. R. Williams presented—

Melbourne General Cemetery.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 3rd December, 1896, for a copy of the Reports submitted to the Honorable the Minister of Health by the Trustees of the Melbourne General Cemetery for the years 1889, 1890, and 1895, relating to the said cemetery, in accordance with the Cemeteries Act.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs presented—

Trading Companies.—Further Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th August, 1896, for a return showing—

1. A list of trading companies in Victoria incorporated since 1886, and the names of the directors of each company, showing which companies have gone into liquidation or otherwise failed to meet their liabilities.
2. A list of trading companies or similar corporations now carrying on business, and the names of their directors.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Water Act 1890.—Avenel Waterworks Trust.—Application for Additional Loan of £150.—Detailed Statement and Report.

3. DUTY HOURS OF NURSES AT THE MELBOURNE HOSPITAL.—Mr. Sangster moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a return showing the duty hours of nurses at the Melbourne Hospital for three months, from 28th August to 30th November, 1896, inclusive.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. PAPER.—Mr. G. Turner presented—

Duty Hours of Nurses at the Melbourne Hospital.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on an amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Aliens Act 1890.'*"W. A. ZEAL,  
President.Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 9th December, 1896.

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6. **MINING DEVELOPMENT BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received from the Clerk of the Parliaments a letter, which he read, and is as follows :—

Parliament House,  
Melbourne, 8th December, 1896.

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 subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes*" :—

In clause 3, line 31, the figures "4-19" have been inserted instead of the figures "5-19."

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 Mr. Foster, the House agreed that the above error be corrected by the omission of the figures "4-19" and the insertion of the figures "5-19" in place thereof.

Ordered—That the letter of the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing error.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they insist on disagreeing with certain amendments insisted on by the Legislative Assembly, that they disagree with the further amendments of the Legislative Assembly in new clause E, that they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment in clause I, and agree to the further amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the same clause.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 9th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

8. **FRIDAY SITTING.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That this House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. **LIMITATION OF BUSINESS.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended, so far as Government Business is concerned, for the remainder of the Session, except on Wednesdays—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. **MINES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified to the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Foster, read a third time.

Mr. McLellan moved, That the following words be added to clause 10 :—

"Provided that no exception shall be made under this section until after seven days' notice has been given in the *Government Gazette* and in some newspaper circulating in the district."

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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

Clause VV (page 5), to follow clause 6.

„ line 6, omit "hereafter issued" and insert "issued after the commencement of this Act."

Clause C (page 5), line 21, omit "it" and insert "the nature of the order required."

Mr. McColl moved, That the following words be added to sub-section (b) of clause 14 :—

"has not signed any agreement to remove when called on by the grantee to do so and."

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

Mr. Grose moved, That the words "Five shillings," in clause 23, line 27, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "Two shillings and sixpence."

Debate ensued.

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

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

Mr. McLellan moved, That the following words be added to clause 24 :—

“Provided that nothing in the conditions of a lease shall prevent the Minister of Mines from granting a suspension of the labour covenants in cases where machinery has been erected or valuable work done in connexion with the land demised.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. McCay moved, That the following words be inserted after “Minister,” in clause 25, line 8 :—

“shall unless a complete or partial suspension of the labour covenant shall have been granted by him prior to such application and shall be still in force in which case he.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 26, at end of sub-section (1) add—“In case the lessee be dead or cannot be found notice in the *Government Gazette* shall be sufficient.”

Clause 30, at end of clause add—“or pending the issue of a lease authorized by the Governor in Council to be granted.”

Clause 31, at end of sub-section (3) add—“or other person entitled to such plant machinery engines or tools of whose claim the Minister shall, prior to such sale, have received notice in writing.”

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

Clause 34, line 3, after “lease of” insert “or work as a claim.”

„ line 7, omit “places” and insert “place and within such time.”

„ line 8, omit “within and not exceeding” and insert “being within”; omit “award” and insert “finding.”

„ line 10, before “lease” insert “application for a.”

„ line 10, omit “void” and insert “abandoned.”

Clause D (page 12), line 15, before “master” insert “post”; omit “lease” and insert “leased land.”

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

Clause 39, at end of clause add—“and in the event of the death of an applicant for a lease such lease may be granted in the name of such applicant and be executed by his executor or administrator and shall devolve or pass in like manner as if the lease had been executed prior to the death of the applicant.”

Clause 44, at end of sub-section (1) add—“Provided that this sub-section shall not apply to any surrender made to obtain a new lease.”

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

Clause 55, sub-section (d) (page 21), line 24, after “mines” insert “and no such lease shall give any right to mine within one hundred feet laterally of any such church except at a greater depth than four hundred feet from the surface.”

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

Clause CC (page 22), to follow clause 23, on page 9.

„ line 18, before “private lauds” insert “and”; after “private lands” insert “or any of them”; before “leases” insert “mining.”

„ line 19, before “shall” insert “or any of them.”

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

Clause CC, lines 28 and 30, omit “costs” and insert “covenants.”

„ line 30, omit “condition” and insert “conditions.”

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

Clause 57, sub-section (4) (page 23), line 19, after “situated” insert “nor within fifty yards laterally of any such church or registered place of worship.”

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

Clause 57 (page 23), lines 30, 31, and 32, omit these lines and insert—“The land applied for and the whole of the land belonging to the owner of the land applied for within one hundred yards laterally of such spring dam sheep-wash or woolshed dwelling-house outhouse building or manufactory and a right of access shall have first been taken.”

Sir John McIntyre moved, That sub-section (6) of clause 57 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That sub-section (6) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McColl moved, That the following new sub-section be added to clause 57 :—

(7) Nothing in this section contained shall apply to any land the Crown grant of which contains an express reservation of gold or silver with power to mine or of mines containing gold or silver or to any Crown land lying below any private land which is limited in depth.

Land sold  
subject to  
mining rights.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill :—  
 Clause 58, after sub-section (b) insert the following new sub-section :—

- (c) Before such proof shall be given ten clear days' notice in writing of the time and place appointed by the warden for the hearing shall be given by the applicant to the owner and occupier or trustees. If the owner or trustees be dead or cannot be found notice may be given by advertisement or otherwise as the warden shall direct.

Mr. Cameron moved, That the words "or any land held under section 65 of the *Land Act* 1890" be inserted after the words "private land," in clause 59, line 11.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 59, after sub-section (4) insert the following new sub-section :—

- (5) No private land mentioned in section fifty-seven shall be taken possession of under a miner's right except by or with the consent of the owner.

Clause 60, lines 22 and 24, after "paid" insert "or tendered."

- " at end of clause add—"and such payment tender or agreement shall have been certified on the lease or on the registration of the claim by the owner and occupier or trustees or by the Minister or warden."

Mr. Bowser moved, That the following words be inserted after "damage," in clause 63, sub-section (2), line 35 :—"Should the warden desire expert evidence to determine the amount of compensation that shall be paid, he may authorize a certificated mining surveyor to examine the property and give evidence."

Debate ensued.

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

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

Clause F (page 28), lines 28 and 29, omit "of section sixty-three" and insert "and (4) of the last but one preceding section."

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

Clause 69, lines 27, 34, and 38 and 39, omit "Five shillings" wherever it occurs and insert "Two shillings and sixpence."

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

Clause 69, lines 27 and 28, omit "Five pounds" and insert "One pound."

- " line 35, omit "Five pounds" and insert "One pound."

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

Clause 71, line 9, omit "One pound" and insert "Ten shillings."

Mr. McColl moved, That the following words be added to sub-section (3) of clause 86 :—"and the warden shall also inquire what compensation was assessed upon the granting of the lease and shall apportion the same between the lessee and the applicant for forfeiture and the portion of the applicant for forfeiture shall be paid to the warden in trust for the lessee before a new lease shall be granted."

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Burton moved, That the following words be inserted after "Minister," in line 14, clause 86 :—"shall unless a complete or partial suspension of the labour covenant shall have been granted by him prior to such application and shall be still in force in which case he."

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. McColl moved, That the words "or tendered" be inserted after "paid," in clause 86, line 29.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Clause 89, lines 14, 18, 19, and 20, after "owner" wherever it occurs insert "trustee," and in line 24, after "owner" insert "trustee or occupier."

On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this Bill :—  
 Clause 97—make this clause the same as clause 39.

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

Clause 105, at end of sub-section (2) insert—"Provided that nothing in this section contained shall prevent any *bonâ fide* mortgage charge or encumbrance being made or given in the ordinary way of business. But in all cases one general permission to let a tribute is sufficient for the term of twelve months."

On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House ordered that sub-section (3) of clause 105 be made a separate clause.

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

Clause 114, line 19, after "employed" insert "at any time"; after "braceman" omit "time" and insert "plat or landing place either at or below the surface."

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

Clause 117, line 39, omit "steam or air machinery used" and insert "machinery on which steam water gas electricity or air or any two or more of them are used as a motive power."

On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

- Clause 119 (page 44), line 9, before “practicable” insert “reasonably.”
- ” (page 44), line 34, omit “not nearer than two hundred and fifty feet from any main winding shaft nor less than sixty feet from any travelling road” and insert “of which the mining inspector shall approve.”
- ” (page 45), line 48, before “excavation” insert “dangerous.”
- ” (page 46), line 35, at end of rule 15, add “separate codes may be prescribed for different classes of mines.”
- ” (page 46), line 41, rule 17, omit “mine” and insert “shaft”; and at the end of the same rule add—“Nothing in this rule contained shall prevent the use of buckets during the sinking of shafts or winzes.”

Mr. Hamilton moved, That the following words be added to rule 22, clause 119 :—“and every such winding drum shall also be fitted with a movable bolt attached to the main clutch sufficiently strong to prevent loose drums from running away.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Hamilton moved, That the words “bearers or,” in rule 24, clause 119, line 18, be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. McColl moved, That the words “below four hundred feet from the surface” be added to rule 28, clause 119 (page 47), line 46.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Mr. Foster, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 123 (page 50), omit paragraph (b).

Clause 126, line 10, after “may” insert “with the approval of the Governor in Council.”

Clause 145 (page 57), lines 36 to 44, and (page 58), lines 1 to 8, omit these lines and insert—

378. (1) The owner of any machinery whether erected before or after the commencement of this Act upon or near to any quartz reef or other mineral lode or any lead or other deposit of auriferous drift may require the owner of any mine the workings of which have reached the natural water-level drained by such machinery to contribute a fair share of the total expense of draining or drawing the water from the mines drained by such machinery.

(2) The owner of any machinery actually in use for raising head-water whether erected before or after the commencement of this Act upon or near to any lead may require the owner of any mine on the same lead or any branch thereof and within a distance of two miles, the workings of which mine have not reached the natural water level, and which mine is not being worked or in which mine head-water is not being raised, to contribute a fair share of the total expense of raising head-water by such machinery. In this section “head-water” means water derived from or accumulated in or between two or more sheets of volcanic rock overlying any lead and above the natural water-level of such lead.

(3) In default of payment of any contribution as in this section provided or in case of disagreement respecting the amount of such share the owner of such machinery may summon the owner of any such mine before a warden, who may make an order on such owner to pay such sum or sums periodically or otherwise to the owner of such machinery as the warden shall think just and reasonable.

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

Clause 146 (page 58), line 42, omit “shall” and insert “may.”

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

Clause 147 (page 59), line 19, omit “sub-sections (2) and (3)” and insert “sub-section (2) of this section.”

Clause 149 (page 60), omit sub-clause (3).

Clause 150, line 4, after “include” insert “and there shall be deemed to be included.”

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

Clause 150, line 7, after “tributer” insert “not being a registered corporation.”

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

Clause 151, line 20, omit “or metals other than gold.”

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

Clause 153, at end of clause add—“Every such complaint shall be deemed to be a proceeding within the meaning of section two hundred and nineteen of the Principal Act, and for the purposes of enabling wardens to hear determine and enforce such complaints and of enabling appeals to be made from their decisions, all the provisions of Part I. of the Principal Act applying to proceedings under such section shall equally apply to such complaint so far as the same may be applicable.”

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

Clause 156, omit sub-section (2) and insert the following in place thereof :—

(2) In the distribution of the assets of any company which is being wound up or in the distribution of assets on the cessation of work of a no-liability company registered under Part II. of the *Companies Act* 1890 there shall be paid in priority to all other debts of

whatsoever kind secured or unsecured all wages or salary of any clerk or servant within the meaning of Part V. of the said Act in respect of services rendered to the company during four months before the commencement of the winding up or the cessation of work not exceeding Fifty pounds. The foregoing debts shall rank equally among themselves and shall be paid in full, unless the assets of the company are insufficient to meet them, in which case they shall abate in equal proportion between themselves.

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

Clause 157, line 31, after "company" insert "incorporated under the no-liability system."

Mr. Harris moved, That the following words be added to clause 157:—"Provided that this section shall not come into operation where a company is expending at least two and a half per centum of the amount declared in dividends in purely development work apart from such portions of the mine from which dividends are being declared."

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. Kirton moved, That clause 157 be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Higgins,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 31.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Moule.
Mr. McGregor,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McColl offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

A. (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Mines Acts miners' rights or business licences may be issued expressed to be in force from a future day named therein.

(2) Every miner's right or business licence shall continue in force notwithstanding the death of any person named therein.

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

Mr. McColl offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

Q. In section forty-nine of the Principal Act for the words "elective body corporate" the word "corporation" is hereby substituted.

And, after debate, the said clause was, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. McColl offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

R. Subject to the regulations and by-laws any claim may include both Crown land and private land and any claim or lease may include the private lands of several owners.

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

Mr. McColl offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

S. Section sixty-eight of the Principal Act shall apply to private land. Provided that the application for a lease by the holder of the claim shall not be subject to the provisions of this Part relating to compensation.

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

Mr. Duggan offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

YY. The Minister may after the expiration of fourteen days from the notice in the *Government Gazette* of the intention to issue any mining lease or licence issue to the applicant therefor a certificate under the hand of the Minister stating such determination, and such applicant may thereupon commence mining operations on the land in respect of which the certificate is issued.

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

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



11. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Game Act 1890.'*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 10th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in correcting the clerical error reported by the Clerk of the Parliaments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes.*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 10th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

12. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—

Amendments 16 to 20 inclusive agreed to.

Amendments 21 to 23 inclusive disagreed with.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the amendments be postponed until to-morrow.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 22 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 73.

FRIDAY, 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.—The Clerk having, at the Table, informed the House that Mr. Speake was unavoidably prevented from taking the Chair at the meeting of the House this day, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair temporarily as Deputy-Speaker.
3. BEET SUGAR WORKS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Beet Sugar Works Act 1896*.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. McLean do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Beet Sugar Works 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.
4. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That amendments 24 to 26 inclusive be disagreed with.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 19.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Murphy,	
Mr. Murray,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. O'Neill,	
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Peacock,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.

Noes, 19.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Harper,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Staughton.

And the numbers being equal, Mr. Speaker said—I will give my casting vote with the Ayes.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And, after debate—

Amendments 27 to 32 inclusive agreed to.

Amendments 33 and 34 disagreed with.

Amendment 35 agreed to.

Amendments 36 to 38 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 39 agreed to.

Amendment 40 disagreed with.

Amendments 41 to 46 inclusive agreed to.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That amendment 47 be disagreed with.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put.  
 The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. John A. Isaacs,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 20.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Moule.

And the numbers being equal, Mr. Speaker said—I will give my casting vote with the Ayes.  
 And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 48 agreed to with the following amendment :—

Omit “and value” in the words proposed to be inserted.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That amendments 49 and 50 be disagreed with.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put.  
 The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Best,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Murray,	
Mr. O'Neill,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Peacock,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.

Noes, 29.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Graves,	
Mr. Harper,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Craven.

And so it passed in the negative.—Amendments 49 and 50 agreed to.

Amendment 51 disagreed with.

Amendments 52 and 53 agreed to.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the amendments be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 74.

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TUESDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. G. Turner presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
 Post Office and Telegraph Department, Engineering and Electrical Branch.—Report of the Board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to inquire into certain charges against the said branch, and also as to the management thereof, &c.  
 Mr. H. R. Williams presented—  
 Railway Firewood Traffic.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 3rd December, 1896, for a return showing the number of trucks of firewood consigned from Lyonville, Bullarto, and Musk Creek railway stations to Ballarat during the months of November, 1895, and November, 1896.  
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Peacock, and the same was read :—  
 BRASSEY,  
*Governor.* *Message No. 20.*  
 Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Aliens Act 1890’*” :—  
 Clause 6.—In the second line omit the word “insert” and substitute therefor the words “there shall be inserted the words.”  
 Government Offices,  
 Melbourne, 14th December, 1896.  
 On the motion of Mr. Peacock, the House agreed to the said amendment, and ordered that His Excellency’s Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment and requesting their concurrence therein.
4. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.  
 On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended, so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
 Mr. G. Turner moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

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5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message No. 21.

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

“An Act to amend the ‘Municipalities’ Advances Act 1895.”

“An Act to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the ‘Local Government Act 1890’ and for other purposes.”

“An Act to subsidize and enable Companies to further develop Gold Mining and for other purposes.”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 14th December, 1896.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 15th December, 1896.

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

7. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—

After debate—

Amendments 54 and 55 disagreed with.

Amendment 56 agreed to.

Amendments 57 to 71 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendments 72 to 76 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 77 agreed to with the following amendment :—Omit “or” and insert “and.”

Amendments 78 to 84 inclusive agreed to.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That amendment 85 be disagreed with.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O’Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Tellers.
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 31.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	Tellers.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Staughton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And, after debate—

Amendment 86 agreed to.

Amendment 87 disagreed with.

Amendment 88 agreed to.

Amendments 89 to 91 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 92 agreed to.

Amendments 93 and 94 disagreed with.

Amendment 95 agreed to.

Amendment 96 disagreed with.

Amendment 97 agreed to.

Amendment 98 disagreed with.

Amendments 99 to 102 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 103 agreed to with the following amendments :—

Line 4, omit "he shall not require their further use" and insert "the company is dissolved."

Lines 5 and 6, omit "who after retaining the same for five years from the date of the dissolution of the company may destroy the same" and insert "unless a judge otherwise orders."

Amendment 104 agreed to with the following amendments :—

Line 5, omit "may" and insert "shall."

Lines 8 to 13, omit all the words after "dissolved."

Amendment 105 disagreed with.

Amendment 106 agreed to.

Amendments 107 to 109 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 110 agreed to with the following amendment :—

Line 14, after "absence and" insert "whether such person do or do not appear."

Amendment 111 agreed to.

Amendment 112 disagreed with.

Amendment 113 agreed to with the following amendments :—

Line 1, omit "For" and insert "(1)"; omit "there," and after "shall be" insert "repealed."

Lines 1 to 11, omit all the words from "substituted" to "established" inclusive and insert—

(2) After the passing of this Act no interest in respect of any period subsequent to the commencement of the winding up of any company shall be computed charged or payable on any debt or claim due from the company and allowed in the winding up.

(3) This section shall apply to every company which is being wound up, whether the winding up commenced before or after the commencement of this Act.

And clause C to be transposed to follow clause 151.

Amendment 114 disagreed with.

Amendment 115 agreed to.

Amendment 116—

New clause I disagreed with.

New clause KK agreed to with the following amendment :—

Line 1, after "application of" insert "the Attorney-General or Solicitor-General or of."

Amendments 117 to 119 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 120 disagreed with.

Amendment 121 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council, have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to some of the said amendments with amendments with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Aliens Act 1890.'"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 15th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act 1890,'" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 15th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the 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 'Game Act 1890'":—

Clause 2, omit "November," substitute "January," and omit "ninety-six," substitute "ninety-seven."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 14th December, 1896.

On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments therein recommended.

10. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Gurr,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 14.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Salmon.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

11. FEDERAL COUNCIL REFERRING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

12. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

13. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Foster moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Foster, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Foster, read a third time.  
 On the motion of Mr. Foster, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—  
 Clause 6, line 25, omit “Forty-two” and insert “Thirty-seven,” and omit “five” and insert “four.”  
 In the Schedule, omit “5. Yea Waterworks Trust—£5,100,” and omit “£14,700” and insert “£9,600,” and omit “£42,539” and insert “£37,439.”  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Nos. 7 to 11 inclusive, No. 13, and Nos. 15 to 22 inclusive be postponed until this day.
15. **POISONS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Peacock moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Peacock, read a third time.  
 On the motion of Mr. Peacock, the House agreed, after debate, to the following amendments in this Bill :—  
 Clause 4, at end of clause add—“No person holding any such certificate shall be entitled directly or indirectly to receive or accept any remuneration commission gift reward or recompense whatever from any person whomsoever for selling any such poison.”  
 Clause 5, line 10, after “Act” insert “or any contravention of this Act.”  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
16. **EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ACT 1890 (PART III.) CONTINUATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
 Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.  
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Prendergast reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.  
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, read a third time.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-four minutes past four o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*



## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 75.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—  
Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works.—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, Balance-sheet, and Contracts for the year ending 30th June, 1896.  
Public Service Acts.—Travelling Allowances.
3. NORTHCOTE LOAN BILL.—Mr. Cook moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the town of Northcote to construct certain permanent works and undertakings in lieu of certain other permanent works and undertakings.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That Mr. Cook and Mr. Barrett do prepare and bring in the Bill.  
Mr. Cook then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Town of Northcote to construct certain permanent Works and Undertakings in lieu of certain other permanent Works and Undertakings,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice—  
1. That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesdays, from Half-past Eight o'clock, be suspended for this evening, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.  
2. That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—  
Clause 6, line 9, omit " may " and insert " shall."  
Clause 7, omit this clause and insert the following clause in place thereof :—  
7. For paragraph (d) of sub-section (2) of section nine of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the words—" Any bad debts except debts proved to the satisfaction of the Commissioner to have become bad and to have been actually written off by the taxpayer in the year immediately preceding the year of assessment and which have not previously been allowed as a deduction: Provided however that all amounts at any time received on account of any such bad debt shall be credited in income in the year in which the same was received and be subject to tax."  
Clause 9, line 38, omit " for or in respect of " and insert " in."  
Clause 12 (page 5), lines 17 and 18 and 25, omit " principal " and insert " public."

Mr. Madden offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

A. Any company whose head office is outside Victoria and which carries on business in Victoria and which publishes a balance-sheet in respect of the business done by such company in Victoria shall be liable to pay income tax subject to the provisions of this Act only on the profit made by such company within Victoria.

Mr. Madden moved, That this clause be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—That this clause be now read a second time—put and negatived.

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

6. BEET SUGAR WORKS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

7. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

8. GOVERNMENT STOCK REDEMPTION BILL.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the Order of the House directing that the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for the Redemption of Victorian Government Stock and for other purposes*" be transmitted to the Legislative Council be rescinded, and that the consideration of amendments on the third reading of the said Bill be made an Order for this day.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir John McIntyre, by leave, offered the following clause to be added to the Bill:—

All moneys now invested by municipalities in Government Stock at Four per centum shall not be affected by anything that may be contained in this Act.

Sir John McIntyre moved, That this clause be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Cook,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 34.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Clause read a second time.

Sir John McIntyre moved, That this clause be now read a third time and added to the Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners' Savings Banks, to amend the 'Savings Banks Act 1890,' to enable advances to be made and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 16th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 16th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 6).—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to further amend 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.

12. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

13. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY REDUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Noes, 37.

Mr. Best,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Cameron,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kerr,	Tellers.
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Moule.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Mason,	Tellers.
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Duggan.

And the numbers being equal—Mr. Speaker said, I give my casting vote with the Noes.

And so it assed in the negative.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bowser,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Mason,	Mr. Vale.
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Gurr.
Mr. Prendergast,	

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

14. **MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1896.

Mr. McColl 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.

15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 16 inclusive be postponed until this day.

Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 23rd December instant.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 76.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Best presented—  
Flour and Oats Imported.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th December, 1896, for a return showing—
  1. The quantity of flour imported into Victoria under bond or under drawback regulations from the 1st January last to the 30th November.
  2. The names of the firms importing, using, and re-exporting the same.
  3. The quantity of oats imported, if any, under bond for gristing purposes for the same period.
  4. The names of the firms importing same.
  5. The conditions and supervision under which the flour is imported and handled and the gristing of oats done.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. FRIDAY SITTING.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That this House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Half-past Ten o'clock a.m.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, and the Notice of Motion, General Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1.
5. NORTHCOTE LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—  
Mr. Speaker said—In my opinion this is a Private Bill.  
Mr. Cook moved, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Mr. Cook moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.  
Mr. Cook moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
And, on the further motion of Mr. Cook, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

6. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 30.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Lazarus.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time this day.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to refer certain matters to the Federal Council of Australasia for the exercise of Legislative Authority thereon*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as Loans for Water Supply and Irrigation Works in the Country Districts and for other purposes*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

8. RUPANYUP TO BANYENA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Sir John McIntyre moved, That the word "eight," in clause 5, line 24, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "seven."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.		Noes, 41.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLellan,	Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Brake,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Carter,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Styles,	Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,	Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,	Mr. Graham,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,	Mr. Graves,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,	Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wilkins,	Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.	Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,		Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Langdon,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Levien,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Grattan.	Mr. Madden,	
		Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
		Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.
		Mr. McLeod,	

And so it passed in the negative.

Sir John McIntyre moved, That the word "seven" be inserted in place of the word "eight" omitted.

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

On the motion of Sir John McIntyre, the House agreed to the following further amendment in this

Bill:—Clause 5, line 24, omit "and fifty."

Mr. Rogers moved, That the following words be added to clause 5:—"and on the Decauville plan."

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

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

9. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to further continue in force Part III. of the 'Employers and Employés Act 1890'*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to declare the Rates of Duties of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and to amend the 'Income Tax Act 1895'*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

1. Clause 1, line 10, omit "January" and insert "July."
2. " line 13, omit "ss. 3-15."
3. " line 14, omit "ss. 16-62."
4. " line 15, omit "ss. 63-64."
5. " line 16, omit "ss. 65-71."
6. " line 17, omit "Liquidation by Arrangement and."
7. " line 18, omit "s. 72."
8. " line 19, omit "ss. 73-88."
9. " line 20, omit "ss. 89-101."
10. " (page 2), line 1, omit "ss. 102-107."
11. " " line 2, omit "ss. 108-112."
12. " " line 3, omit "ss. 113-114."
13. " " line 4, omit "s. 115."
14. " " line 5, omit "ss. 116-128."
15. Clause 3, omit paragraph (h).

16. Clause 6, line 8, omit "or which the court thinks ought to be tried by a jury."
17. ,, after sub-clause (4) add—
- (4a) For the purposes of trials with a jury all the provisions of the *Juries Act* 1890 and any Act amending the same so far as the same relate to civil trials shall apply.
- (4b) The Chief Clerk shall in relation to all trials with a jury perform the same duties and functions as the Registrar of the County Court performs in relation to the County Court.
18. Clause 11, line 29, omit "payment" and insert "demand."
19. After clause 15 insert new clause—
- A. (1) In any matter in insolvency or proceeding in the court the judge may if he think fit reserve his decision on any question of fact or of law.
- (2) Where any judge has so reserved his decision he may give the same at any continuation or adjournment of the court or at any subsequent holding thereof or he may draw up such decision in writing, and having duly signed the same forward it to the Chief Clerk; upon the receipt of such decision in writing such Chief Clerk shall notify the parties or their respective barristers and solicitors of his intention to proceed at some convenient time by him specified to read the same in the court house at which such court is holden or other convenient place, and he shall read the same accordingly, and thereupon such decision shall be of the same force and effect as if given by such judge in open court at the hearing of the matter or proceeding.
20. After clause 16 insert new clause—
- AA. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Part or Part VI. of this Act it shall be lawful for the creditors of any insolvent to appoint any person whether a creditor or not of such insolvent to be the trustee of the estate of such insolvent, and if the person so appointed within seven days after such appointment informs the court that he has been so appointed then the court may order that such person on giving such security as the court may fix shall be registered as qualified to be appointed to the office of trustee under the Insolvency Acts in respect only of such estate and thereupon he shall be registered accordingly by the Chief Clerk in a book to be kept for the purpose, and on such registration and until the cancellation of such registration he shall be capable of acting as trustee under the said Acts for such estate. The court may at any time if it thinks fit order that such registration be cancelled.
21. Clause 18, lines 4-8, omit "of which one part shall be payable on the amount realized and received by the trustee after deducting any sums paid to secured creditors out of the proceeds of their securities and the other part on the amount distributed in dividend" and insert "on the net amount realized and available for distribution."
22. Clause 19, omit this clause.
23. Clause 24, line 31, before "accept" omit "or" and insert "nor shall he or his wife partner agent clerk barrister and solicitor or servant either directly or indirectly."
24. ,, line 33, omit "whomsoever that" and insert "who."
25. ,, line 42, after "solicitor" insert "auctioneer."
26. Clause 26, lines 23-4, omit "has been duly sanctioned by the Chief Clerk" and insert "was reasonable and necessary."
27. ,, omit sub-clause (4).
28. ,, line 40, after "Supreme" insert "or any other."
29. Clause 27, omit this clause.
30. Clause 37, at end of clause add "and such sum shall be repaid to them out of the estate if the creditors or the court so direct."
31. After clause 48 insert new clause—
- CC. So soon as the trustee has declared and distributed a dividend or dividends amongst the creditors amounting to Twenty-five per centum of their debts he shall unless otherwise ordered by the court pay out of the estate to the insolvent a bonus of Sixpence for every pound so declared and distributed; and so soon as he has so declared and distributed a further dividend or dividends amounting to a second Twenty-five per centum he shall unless otherwise ordered by the court pay out of the estate to the insolvent a bonus of One shilling for every pound of such further dividend or dividends so declared and distributed; and so soon as he has so declared and distributed a further dividend or dividends amounting to a third Twenty-five per centum he shall unless otherwise ordered by the court pay out of the estate to the insolvent a bonus of Two shillings for every pound of such dividend or dividends so last declared and distributed.
32. After clause 49 insert new clause—
- E. No claim shall be made after the expiration of twenty years from the date of the sequestration of the estate by the assignee or trustee of any insolvent estate to any estate or interest in any land belonging to any insolvent.
33. Clause 50, line 21, after "be" insert "deemed."
34. Clause 51, line 24, after "court" insert "or of three-fourths in number and value of the creditors."



## 35. Before clause 52 insert new clause—

- BB. (1) The creditors by ordinary resolution may direct that the assignee or trustee of any estate shall keep an account in the name of such estate in such bank as is named in such resolution, and may authorize the said assignee or trustee to pay into such bank to the credit of such account all moneys received by him in such estate and out of such account to pay by cheque all payments to be made by him on account of such estate, and any interest receivable in respect of the said bank account shall be part of the assets of the estate.
- (2) If any assignee or trustee at any time retains for more than ten days in his own hands and without paying the same into the said bank account any money belonging to the estate, then unless he explains the retention to the satisfaction of the court he shall pay interest on the amount so retained at the rate of Twenty per centum per annum and shall have no claim for remuneration and shall be removed from his office and shall be liable to pay any expenses occasioned by his default.
- (3) Until a resolution as aforesaid with regard to the moneys received in such estate is passed by the creditors, the assignee or trustee shall comply with the provisions of the next following section.
36. Clause 63, omit paragraph (a) and insert new paragraph—  
 (aa) In sub-section (iii.) omit the words "being creditors qualified to vote at a general meeting of creditors as is in this Act mentioned or authorized in the prescribed form by creditors so qualified to vote" and insert "whether creditors or not," and after the words "insolvent's property" at the end of the said sub-section insert "and such appointment shall be made by a majority in number and value of the creditors assembled at the meeting."
37. " line 27, after "creditor" insert "or person."
38. Clause 64, line 7, after "estate" insert "other than such amount as may be voted by the meeting of creditors at the date of their appointment."
39. Clause 68, line 4, omit "quarter" and insert "six months."
40. Page 20, line 32, in the head-line, omit "Liquidations by Arrangement and."
41. Clause 72, lines 34-5, omit "for liquidation by arrangement under section one hundred and fifty-three and."
42. " lines 38-40, omit "No extraordinary resolution declaring that the affairs of a debtor are to be liquidated by arrangement and not in insolvency and."
43. " (page 21), lines 12-13, omit "or arrangement."
44. " " line 19, omit "or arrangement."
45. " " line 23, omit "or arrangement."
46. " " line 29, omit "or arrangement."
47. " " line 31, omit "or arrangement."
48. " " lines 32-3, omit "or arrangement."
49. " " line 34, omit "or arrangement."
50. " " line 36, omit "or arrangement."
51. " " line 39, omit "or arrangement."
52. " " line 44, omit "or arrangement."
53. " " line 45, omit "or arrangement."
54. " (page 22), line 2, omit "or arrangement."
55. " " lines 6-7, omit "sections one hundred and fifty-three and" and insert "section."
56. " " line 22, omit "or arrangement."
57. " " line 23, omit "and liquidations by arrangement."
58. " " line 26, omit "or arrangement."
59. " " lines 30-1, omit "or arrangement."
60. Clause 73, line 44, omit "any of."
61. " same line, omit "instruments" and insert "instrument."
62. " (page 23), lines 4-21, omit paragraph (b) and all following words to end of clause.
63. Clause 75, at end of clause add "A deed of arrangement registered as required by the provisions of this and the preceding section shall be deemed to be registered or filed in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of the *Instruments Act* 1890 and of the *Book Debts Act* 1896."
64. Clause 78, line 35, after "creditors" insert "and as to the examination of the debtor or any other person."
65. " lines 35-6, omit "unless expressly negatived."
66. Clause 82, line 28, after "Insolvency Acts" insert "or if not so registered unless he is one of the creditors or a person appointed by an ordinary resolution of the creditors."
67. " at end of clause add new sub-clause—  
 (2a) Where a person not registered as aforesaid is appointed a trustee pursuant to this section he shall not act as trustee until a copy of such resolution has been filed by the Chief Clerk and has given security as aforesaid.
68. After clause 82 insert new clause—  
 CC. At any time after a debtor has made a deed of arrangement the court or the trustee (if any) of the deed may by notice in writing at any time require such debtor to make a statement verified by affidavit giving particulars of all his assets and liabilities and property whatsoever, and if he without reasonable cause fails to do so he shall be guilty of a contempt of court.
69. Clause 90, lines 36-7, omit "notwithstanding any provision in any Act."

70. Clause 90, line 41, after "fit" insert "not exceeding two years."
71. " (page 28), line 2, after "fix" insert "but not exceeding Seven shillings in the pound."
72. " " same line, after "or" insert "until security for the payment of such dividend has been given to the satisfaction of the court. If the sureties for such security have to pay the amount of dividend or any part thereof, and the debtor again becomes insolvent, then the sureties shall not be entitled to any dividend until the debts incurred by the insolvent since he obtained his certificate shall have been paid."
73. " " omit paragraph (d).
74. Clause 91, line 22, after "insolvent" insert "unless the court otherwise directs."
75. Clause 92, omit this clause.
76. Clause 95, line 25, after "party" insert "or."
77. " omit paragraph (c).
78. Clause 97, line 42, after "trustee" insert "upon payment of reasonable expenses."
79. Clause 98, omit this clause.
80. Clause 99, omit this clause.
81. Clause 100, lines 28-9, omit "subject to the condition that judgment shall be entered against him or."
82. " lines 33-4, omit "judgment or."
83. " lines 38-44, omit "and immediately after the expiration of twelve months from the date of sequestration or from the date of granting the certificate (as the case may be), and thereafter not less than once a year and at intervals not exceeding thirteen months to file in the court a statement showing the particulars of any property or income he may have acquired earned or become entitled to subsequent to the date of the sequestration of his estate."
84. Clause 101, omit this clause.
85. Clause 120, omit this clause.
86. Clause 124, line 25, omit "his" and insert "the."
87. Clause 125, line 33, after "proxy" insert "or his barrister and solicitor or clerk."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 to 5 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 6 disagreed with.

Amendments 7 to 15 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 16 disagreed with.

Amendments 17 to 19 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 20 agreed to with the following amendment :—

After "court," at the beginning of line 5, insert "in writing."

Amendments 21 and 22 disagreed with.

Amendments 23 to 28 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 29 disagreed with.

Amendment 30 agreed to.

Amendment 31 disagreed with.

Amendment 32 agreed to.

Amendments 33 and 34 disagreed with.

Amendments 35 to 37 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 38 disagreed with.

Amendment 39 agreed to.

Amendments 40 to 63 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendments 64 to 66 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 67 agreed to with the following amendment :—

In line 3, after "and" insert "such person."

Amendment 68 agreed to with the following amendments :—

In line 1, after "time" insert "within three years."

In lines 1 and 2, omit "or the trustee (if any) of the deed."

In line 2, omit "by notice in writing at any time."

Amendment 69 disagreed with.

Amendment 70 agreed to.

Amendments 71 to 73 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 74 agreed to.

Amendments 75 to 77 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 78 agreed to with the following amendment :—

After "payment" insert "or tender."

Amendment 79 agreed to.

Amendments 80 to 82 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendments 83 and 84 agreed to.

Amendment 85 disagreed with for the following reason :—

Because this clause imposes a rate, tax, or impost, and because its omission will interfere with the public revenue. The amendment is therefore an infraction of the privileges of the Legislative Assembly. And the Assembly do not deem it necessary to offer any further reason, hoping that this one will be deemed sufficient.

Amendment 86 agreed to.

Amendment 87 agreed to with the following amendment :—

After "solicitor or" insert "such barrister and solicitor's."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments, have disagreed with others of the said amendments, have agreed to some of the said amendments with amendments, and have disagreed with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 120 for the following reason :—

Because this clause imposes a rate, tax, or impost, and because its omission will interfere with the public revenue. The amendment is, therefore, an infraction of the privileges of the Legislative Assembly. And the Assembly do not deem it necessary to offer any further reason, hoping that this one will be deemed sufficient.

11. **MILDURA IRRIGATION TRUST LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Poisons Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 17th December, 1896.

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

Insert the following new clauses—

A. The power to make regulations conferred on the Governor in Council by section thirteen of the Principal Act shall be deemed to include power to make regulations—

(a) Prescribing the shape size and materials of the jar bottle box can or package in which alone any poisonous mixture commonly used for the destruction of vermin as aforesaid may be sold; and

(b) requiring such jar bottle box can or package to be permanently stamped or marked with the word "Poison" and the name of such poison.

B. If any person sells or offers for sale any poison or poisonous mixture in respect to which the provisions of any regulation made pursuant to the said section thirteen or the preceding section have not been complied with he shall on conviction be liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment to insert new clause A agreed to with the following amendment :—

Sub-section (b), omit "poison" and insert "poisonous mixture."

Amendment to insert new clause B agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to one of the said amendments, and have agreed to the other of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1896.

13. **PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 14 inclusive, and Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until this day.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until this day:—

*Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895 Amendment Bill—Third reading.*

15. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at thirty-five minutes past one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## VICTORIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 77.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 1.
3. HEIDELBERG TO ELTHAM RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House the Government should proceed, without further delay, to construct the line of railway from Heidelberg to Eltham, as authorized by the *Heidelberg and Eltham Railway Construction Act 1893*.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.  
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Wilkins reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.  
On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.  
Mr. Wilkins also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1896-7.—Mr. Wilkins reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—  
*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in the present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

## XI.—MINISTER OF MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 71.	£	£
		MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1	3	Acting Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ...	414	
		Allowance to Mr. James Travis for acting as Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ...	132	
				546

(700 copies.)

				£	£
DIVISION No. 71.					
Subdivision No. 2.					
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.					
				Maxi- mum.	
				£	
1	A. & E.	Chief Engineer ... ..	...	1200	1,020
1	2 Sc.	Government Geologist ... ..	...	750	656
1	A. & E.	Engineer ... ..	...	500	335
2		Assistant Engineers ... ..	...	360	577
1	Sc.	Assistant Geological Surveyor ... ..	...	360	335
5	A. & E.	Inspectors of Mines ... ..	...	350	1,586
2		Inspectors of Mines ... ..	...	300	449
7		Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	...	200	1,316
1	f	Junior Draughtsman ... ..	...	200	170
1	Sc.	Analyst ... ..	...	250	233
22				6,677	
Subdivision No. 3.					
CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	2	Chief Clerk ... ..	...		460
1	3	Accountant ... ..	...		335
1	3	Clerk and Draughtsman ... ..	...		414
12	4	Clerks and Draughtsmen ... ..	...		3,290
2	4 f	2nd Grade Draughtsmen ... ..	...		503
1	4	Lithographer ... ..	...		279
38	5	Clerks and Draughtsmen ... ..	...		6,810
		Allowance to Mr. P. Cohen for acting as Chief Clerk for Mines and Water Supply from 1st July, 1895, to 30th June, 1896 ... ..	...		56
56				12,147	
Subdivision No. 4.					
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
				Maxi- mum.	
				£	
1		Senior Inspector of Waterworks ... ..	...	300	246
2		Rate Collectors, Bendigo ... ..	...	252	392
1		Rate Collector, Geelong ... ..	...	225	212
1		Reservoir Keeper, Malmsbury ... ..	...	168	150
2		Channel Keepers, Coliban ... ..	...	138	250
2		Water Bailiffs, Kow Swamp ... ..	...	144	260
1		Water Bailiff, Bendigo ... ..	...	144	126
1		Turncock, Geelong ... ..	...	156	149
2		Lithographic Printers ... ..	...	192	329
1		Bailiff ... ..	...	180	147
1		Messenger ... ..	...	120	124
2		Junior Messengers ... ..	...	72	143
17				2,528	
Subdivision No. 5.					
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)					
8	}	x	Mining Surveyors and Mining Registrars ... ..	...	200
31			Mining Registrars ... ..	...	700
15			Wardens' Clerks ... ..	...	290
6			Clerks to Mining Boards ... ..	...	544
5			Keepers of Mining Board Offices ... ..	...	74
1		Draughtsman ... ..	...	188	
66				1,996	
162				23,894	
Total SALARIES ... ..				23,894	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 71.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses of Prosecutions under the <i>Mines Act</i> 1890 ... ..	25	
Special Allowances to Mining Surveyors for reporting on Lands, &c. ...	150	
Expenses of Mining Board Elections and Miscellaneous Expenses of Mining Boards ... ..	250	
Travelling Expenses, including those of Officers reporting on Leased Lands, &c. ... ..	2,300	
Stores, Books, Fuel, Light and Water, and Incidentals ... ..	1,500	
Expenses of Laboratory ... ..	500	
Experimental work in connexion with the Saving and Treatment of Gold Ores, &c. ... ..	200	
Fees and Expenses of Mining Engineers... ..	228	
	5,153	
Total Division No. 71 ... ..	29,047	
The sum of ... ..	...	16,494
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DIVISION No. 72.		
PROSPECTING FOR GOLD AND COAL.		
No. 1. Prospecting for Gold and Coal, purchase and working of Diamond or other Drills and appliances used for boring, materials, and expenses connected therewith ... ..	3,000	
2. To aid Mining Enterprise of a National character under Regulations to be made by the Governor in Council, and to supply Testing Plants if required, and to include the examination and prospecting of certain localities ... ..	5,000	
Total Division No. 72 ... ..	8,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	3,750
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DIVISION No. 73.		
WATERWORKS IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS.		
Surveys, Reports, and Contingencies in connexion with Projects of Water Supply to Country Districts, Expenses in connexion with Gauging Rivers, and Analyses of Waters ... ..	1,500	
The sum of ... ..	...	800

DIVISION No. 74.	£	£
<b>COLIBAN, GEELONG, AND NATIONAL WORKS.</b>		
Subdivision No. 1.		
COLIBAN AND GEELONG WORKS.		
Travelling and Incidental Expenses in connexion with Collection of Rates—		
Coliban District ... ..	250	
Geelong District ... ..	100	
Labour and Materials, Stores, Forage, Travelling Expenses, and Contingencies in connexion with—		
Coliban Works ... ..	6,275	
Geelong Works ... ..	2,000	
	8,625	
Subdivision No. 2.		
NATIONAL WORKS.		
Material, Wages, Contingencies, and all other Expenses in connexion with the Management and Maintenance of—		
Goulburn System of National Works ... ..	2,300	
Laanecoorie Weir ... ..	300	
Bridgewater and Kinypaniai Weirs, &c. ... ..	340	
Kow Swamp and Macorna National Works ... ..	1,560	
	4,500	
Total Division No. 74 ... ..	13,125	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,625
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DIVISION No. 75.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Cutting and assisting to make Tracks and Roads and opening up unexplored areas ... ..	3,500	
2. Underground Surveys of Mines, Geological Surveys, &c. ... ..	6,000	
3. Expenses of Mining Surveyors removing Posts from Leases declared void, and Reports on Leases, &c. ... ..	50	
4. Travelling and other Expenses attending Examinations of Engine-drivers ... ..	700	
5. To provide for Railway Passes for Trustees of Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund ... ..	15	
6. For the purchase of Miners' Rights and Railway Passes for unemployed Miners ... ..	1,500	
	11,765	
Total Division No. 75 ... ..	11,765	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,065

And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the expenditure of Moneys available under Loan Acts for Railways*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 18th December, 1896.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.



VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 78.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1896.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1895.—Part VII.—Law, Crime, &c.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Land Act 1890.—Part I.—Additional Regulations.—Order in Council.  
Marine Acts 1890 and 1896.—Regulations for the Licensing of Boats and Boatmen and the Equipment of Boats Plying for Hire for the Carriage of Passengers.

Water Act 1890—  
Shire of Borung and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
Application of Municipal Funds.  
Shire of Dimboola and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
Application of Municipal Funds.  
Shire of Wimmera and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
Application of Municipal Funds.  
Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 21.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Styles rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The recently framed regulations of the Victorian Railways Commissioner, under which regulations the salaries and wages of the servants of the Department are fixed."

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—

Mr. Styles moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read—  
Mr. Peacock moved, That the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896'" be now laid aside.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill laid aside.

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5. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1896 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. Peacock moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1896*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Factories and Shops Act 1896,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 9, line 3, after “Schedule” insert “of the Principal Act.”

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

6. **SAVINGS BANKS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 15, lines 18–19, omit “the form mode and conditions in and under which the accounts of Friendly Societies may be drawn upon by cheques.”

2. Clause 26, line 41, before “officer” insert “auditor or valuer or.”

3. „ line 45, before “officer” insert “auditor or valuer or.”

4. „ line 46, before “officer” insert “auditor or valuer or.”

5. „ (page 17), line 1, before “officer” insert “auditor or valuer or.”

6. Clause 29, omit this clause.

7. Clause 32, line 23, after “Supreme” insert “or County.”

8. Clause 39, at end of clause add new sub-clause—

(a) Rates or moneys which by any Act are declared to be or to remain a charge or a first charge on any land or to be recoverable by the taking possession of or leasing of such land by order of the Supreme Court or otherwise shall not be deemed “prior charges and encumbrances” thereon within the meaning of section thirty-two of the Principal Act, but the liability to pay such rates or moneys as they become due shall be taken into consideration in ascertaining and determining the value of such land.

9. Clause 46 (page 27), after line 25 insert “whether clear of rabbits.”

Mr. G. Turner moved, That this House disagree with the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled “*An Act to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners’ Savings Banks, to amend the ‘Savings Banks Act 1890,’ to enable advances to be made and for other purposes,*” for the following reason :—Because the Bill is a Bill for appropriating part of the Revenue of Victoria, and the amendments made by the Council are an infraction of the provisions of section 56 of the Constitution Act, which prohibits the Council from altering Bills “for appropriating any part of the Revenue of Victoria”; and the Assembly do not deem it necessary to offer any further reason hoping the above may be sufficient.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the said amendments and communicating their reason for the disagreement.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Customs Act 1890’ and for other purposes,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

8. PUBLIC SERVICE RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Graves reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
- On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended, so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
- Mr. G. Turner moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time.
- Mr. Gray moved, That the word “ninety-eight,” in clause 2 (page 2), line 4, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “ninety-seven.”
- Debate ensued.
- Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
- The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McColl,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Salmon.

Tellers.

Noes, 36.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Levien,	

Tellers.

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1893 CONTINUATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner 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 Assembly.
- Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And, on the further motion of Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.
- On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
- Mr. G. Turner moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. G. Turner, read a third time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS' SUPERANNUATION ACT 1895 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—
- Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.  
Question—put.  
The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 31.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Barrett,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Harper,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. McGregor.
Mr. Levien,	

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

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

11. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT RATIFICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. G. Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 32.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Salmon.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Page 2, line 38, omit "and."

" line 39, before "respectively" insert "and the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six."

Clause 2 (page 3), line 6, omit "and."

" " line 7, after "six" insert "and the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six."

Clause 3, lines 12 and 13, omit "thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six" and insert "thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven."

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

12. CUSTOMS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. After clause 1 insert new clause—

A. The Act specified in the Schedule to this Act to the extent to which the same is thereby expressed to be repealed is hereby repealed as from the commencement of this Act.

2. Clause 4, omit this clause.
3. Clause 5, omit sub-clause (2).
4. Clause 6, omit this clause.
5. Clause 10, omit sub-clause (2).
6. Clause 18, line 31, omit "value of" and insert "price paid for."
7. Clause 20, omit this clause.
8. Clause 21, omit this clause.
9. Clause 24, line 7, omit "One hundred" and insert "Twenty."
10. Clause 25, line 25, after "other books" insert "or telegrams."
11. Clause 26, line 34, after "books" insert "or telegrams."
12. " line 35, after "do" insert "without reasonable excuse."
13. After clause 30 insert new clause—

B. Nothing contained in this Part of this Act or in any determination declaration or order of the Commissioner made pursuant thereto shall affect or be deemed to take away or diminish the right of any importer of goods to bring or commence an action or suit in any court of competent jurisdiction against any collector for the purpose of ascertaining whether any and what amount of duty is due and payable upon such goods, and any such action or suit may be proceeded with as if this Part had not passed.

14. Insert the following Schedule :—

SCHEDULE.

No. of Act.	Short Title of Act.	Extent of Repeal.
No. 1081 ...	Customs Act 1890 ...	Sections forty-three and one hundred and forty-three.

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

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

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

*Usury Prevention Bill—Second reading.*

14. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day were read and discharged :—

*Exported Products Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

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

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

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1896.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Companies Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they insist on others, that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council and disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1896.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until this day :—

*Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.*  
*Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 6)—Second reading.*

18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

VICTORIA.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 79.

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WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1896.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE NORTHERN SUBURBS AND MELBOURNE.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Direct Railway Communication with the Northern Suburbs; together with the Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Mr. Deakin, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts; together with an Appendix.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Best presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Land Acts and Wattles Act 1890—Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of—during the year ending 31st December, 1895.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.  
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—  
Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—  
Victorian Military Forces—  
Alteration of Dress Regulations.  
Addition to Regulations.  
Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Additions to Financial and Store Regulations.
5. OVERCROWDING AT THE PRINCESS THEATRE.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return from 1890 showing—
  1. The number of cases of overcrowding reported against the Princess Theatre.
  2. The names of the constables reporting overcrowding, and date of each offence.
  3. Reasons given by constables for reporting overcrowding.
  4. In how many cases did prosecutions take place.
  5. Name of officer by whose order prosecutions were withdrawn, and what were the reasons in each case.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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6. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—Mr. G. Turner moved, pursuant to notice—

1. That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesdays from Half-past Eight o'clock be suspended for this evening, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.
2. That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for this evening.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Town of Northcote to construct certain permanent Works and Undertakings in lieu of certain other permanent Works and Undertakings*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the granting of a Loan to the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and for other purposes*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1896.

8. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895'*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the 'Public Service Retrenchment Act 1893'*," without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act providing for the continuance in force for certain limited times of the Rates of Reductions of Salaries provided for in the 'Special and other Appropriations Retrenchment Act 1893'*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Beet Sugar Works Act 1896'*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.



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

BRASSEY,

Governor.

Message No. 22.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the granting of a Loan to the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and for other purposes" :—

In clause 7, sub-clause (1), after the word "District" insert the words "and not being a township allotment."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

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

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

12. COMPANIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

- 1. Clause 2 (page 2), lines 7-10, omit " 'Director' includes member of a board, and in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria shall also include persons being or acting as directors of or in relation to the business of the company in Victoria" and insert " 'Director' means member of a board, and in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria shall also mean persons being or acting in Victoria as directors of or in relation to the business of the company but shall not in the case of any company incorporated outside Victoria mean or include persons who act only as advisers to the manager of a company and have and exercise no executive power in the management of such company." } Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendments :— Line 7, omit " means" and insert " includes"; line 16, after " executive" insert " or controlling." } Disagreed with by Council.
- 2. " " after line 20 insert " 'Proprietary company' means a company under Part I. of the Principal Act which fulfils all the following requirements, namely :— (a) has not more than twenty-five members or shareholders; (b) does not receive deposits, except from its members or shareholders, for fixed periods or payable at call, whether bearing or not bearing interest; (c) does not use its title without the addition thereto, immediately before the word 'limited,' of the word 'proprietary'; (d) has filed with the Registrar-General a written notice of the fact of such addition to its name." } Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment :— Paragraph (a) after " shareholders" insert " and (in the case of a company limited by shares and formed after the commencement of this Act) has and continues to have its capital divided into not more than two hundred and fifty shares." } Disagreed with by Council.
- 3. Clause 21, line 22, after " money" insert " or value received." } Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
- 4. " line 28, after " share" add " in money or value received." } Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendments :— Omit " or value received" in both cases. } Disagreed with by Council.
- 5. " line 33, after " up" add " in money or value received." }

6. Clause 24, omit this clause. } Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
7. Clause 25 (page 9), line 42, after "affairs" add "and such balance-sheet shall be in one of the forms in the Third Schedule to this Act or to the like effect, and shall be accompanied by a certificate of not less than two directors that in their opinion the statement is correct."
8. " (page 10), line 7, omit "and the return hereinafter provided for are" and insert "is."
9. " " lines 8-12, omit "and if the manager of the company files with the Registrar-General with such copy of the latest general balance-sheet a return signed by such manager and showing all the information required by sub-section two of this section unless such information is shown in the balance-sheet." } Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
10. Clause 26, omit paragraph (b).
11. " omit paragraph (c) and insert "(cc) the said representation shall be accompanied by a statement showing whether or not such reserve fund is used in the business, and if any portion thereof is otherwise invested showing the manner in which and the securities upon which the same is invested."
12. " omit sub-clause (2).
13. Clause 32 (page 13), line 3, omit "the Governor in Council" and insert "a Judge of a County Court."
14. " " line 4, omit "Governor in Council" and insert "said Judge."
15. Clause 37, line 14, after "members" insert "not indebted to the company." } Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
16. " lines 14-15, omit "one-twentieth part" and insert "one-tenth part in number and value." } Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendment:— Omit "and value." } Disagreed with by Council.
17. Clause 45, line 34, omit "director."
18. " line 36, omit "director."
19. Clause 46, line 5, omit "and discounts whether."
20. " line 6, omit "or elsewhere due" and insert "owing."
21. " line 11, omit "and discounts."
22. " line 13, omit "and discounts whether."
23. " line 14, omit "or elsewhere due" and insert "owing."
24. " line 20, omit "and discounts."
25. " line 22, omit "and discounts whether."
26. " line 23, omit "or elsewhere due" and insert "owing."
27. " line 27, omit "and discounts." } Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.
28. After clause 80 insert new clause—  
 A. The court may at the time of or at any time after sanctioning any arrangement or compromise under the *Companies Act Amendment Act 1892* make such alteration in the memorandum or articles of association or deed of settlement of the company making such arrangement or compromise as the court may think necessary or desirable in order to carry out or give effect to such arrangement or compromise, and in such event the provisions of the four next preceding sections of this Act shall not apply. } Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.

- 29. Clause 97, line 1, before "The" insert "(1)."
- 30. " at end of clause add—
  - (a) Where shares in any company have been lawfully forfeited or surrendered in pursuance of any power in that behalf contained in the articles of association of such company or in the Companies Acts, the amount paid up on such forfeited or surrendered shares may be passed to the credit of a reserve fund or used to write down the book values of any assets of the company, or so much of the said amount as may be required for the purpose may be used to write off losses previously made, but in no case shall any portion of such amount be treated as profit available for dividends or bonus.
  
- 31. After clause 99 insert new clause—
  - B. The court may at the time of or at any time after sanctioning any arrangement or compromise under the *Companies Act Amendment Act 1892* sanction the reduction of the capital of the company making such arrangement or compromise as the court may think necessary or desirable to carry out or give effect to such arrangement or compromise, and in such event sections *eighty-seven* to *ninety* inclusive *ninety-three* and *ninety-five* and *ninety-six* of this Act shall not apply, and the order of the court containing such sanction shall have the same effect as an order of the court confirming the reduction of the capital of a company under this Act.
- 32. Clause 102, lines 35–41, omit "together with such particulars of the nature and effect of such contract and also every material fact known to any director promoter or trustee who is a party to the issue of the prospectus as are material to be made known to a person invited to take shares in order to enable him to form a judgment as to the expediency of so doing."
- 33. Clause 115, line 1, before "creates" insert "fraudulently."
- 34. " " after "the" insert "fraudulent."
- 35. Clause 119, omit this clause.
- 36. Clause 127, line 37, after "company" insert "unless so determined by a resolution carried by a majority of the creditors in number and value at a meeting convened by the manager of the company of which seven days' notice has been given to every creditor stating the object of the meeting."
  
- 37. Clause 146, lines 27–9, omit "and is about to be dissolved all such documents shall be deposited with the Registrar-General" and insert "the liquidator or person to whom the custody of the documents of the company or of the liquidator has been committed shall so soon as he shall not require their further use deposit the same with the Registrar-General who after retaining the same for five years from the date of the dissolution of the company may destroy the same."
  
- 38. Clause 160 (page 63), line 30, omit "unless he or they prove that they or he had no" and insert "if it be proved that they or he had."
- 39. Clause 161, omit this clause.
- 40. Clause 166, omit this clause.
- 41. Clause 169, line 39, omit "One hundred" and insert "Twenty-five."
- 42. Third Schedule, omit "Monday" and "March" wherever they occur.

Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.

Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.

Agreed to by Assembly with the following amendments:—Lines 6–7, omit "he shall not require their further use" and insert "the company is dissolved"; omit all the words after "Registrar-General" in line 7 and insert "unless a judge otherwise orders."

} Disagreed with by Council.

Disagreed with by Assembly. } Insisted on by Council.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do not insist on disagreeing with the amendments insisted on by the Legislative Council and do not insist on their amendments on amendments of the Legislative Council with which the Legislative Council have disagreed.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 54.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 4.

<i>Tellers.</i>	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Rogers,	
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Prendergast,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the amendments in such Bill insisted on by the Legislative Council, and do not insist on their amendments on amendments of the Legislative Council with which the Legislative Council have disagreed.

13. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they do not insist on others, and that they have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on amendments of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
1. Clause 1, line 17, omit "Liquidation by Arrangement and."	}
2. Clause 18, lines 4-8, omit "of which one part shall be payable on the amount realized and received by the trustee after deducting any sums paid to secured creditors out of the proceeds of their securities and the other part on the amount distributed in dividend" and insert "on the net amount realized and available for distribution."	
3. Clause 19, omit this clause.	
4. Clause 27, omit this clause.	
5. Clause 64, line 7, after "estate" insert "other than such amount as may be voted by the meeting of creditors at the date of their appointment."	
6. Page 20, line 32, in the head-line, omit "Liquidations by Arrangement and."	
7. Clause 72, lines 34-5, omit "for liquidation by arrangement under section one hundred and fifty-three and."	
8. " lines 38-40, omit "No extraordinary resolution declaring that the affairs of a debtor are to be liquidated by arrangement and not in insolvency and."	
9. " (page 21), lines 12-13, omit "or arrangement."	
10. " " line 19, omit "or arrangement."	
11. " " line 23, omit "or arrangement."	
12. " " line 29, omit "or arrangement."	
13. " " line 31, omit "or arrangement."	
14. " " lines 32-3, omit "or arrangement."	
15. " " line 34, omit "or arrangement."	

- 16. Clause 72 (page 21), line 36, omit " or arrangement."
- 17. " " line 39, omit " or arrangement."
- 18. " " line 44, omit " or arrangement."
- 19. " " line 45, omit " or arrangement."
- 20. " (page 22), line 2, omit " or arrangement."
- 21. " " lines 6-7, omit " sections one hundred and fifty-three and " and insert " section."
- 22. " " line 22, omit " or arrangement."
- 23. " " line 23, omit "and liquidations by arrangement."
- 24. " " line 26, omit " or arrangement."
- 25. " " lines 30-1, omit " or arrangement."
- 26. Clause 73, line 44, omit " any of."
- 27. " same line, omit "instruments" and insert "instrument."
- 28. " (page 23), lines 4-21, omit paragraph (b) and all following words to end of clause.
- 29. Clause 75, at end of clause add " A deed of arrangement registered as required by the provisions of this and the preceding section shall be deemed to be registered or filed in accordance with the provisions of Part VI. of the *Instruments Act* 1890 and of the *Book Debts Act* 1896."
- 30. Clause 90, lines 36-7, omit " notwithstanding any provision in any Act."
- 31. " (page 28), line 2, after " fix " insert " but not exceeding Seven shillings in the pound."
- 32. " " same line, after " or " insert " until security for the payment of such dividend has been given to the satisfaction of the court. If the sureties for such security have to pay the amount of dividend or any part thereof, and the debtor again becomes insolvent, then the sureties shall not be entitled to any dividend until the debts incurred by the insolvent since he obtained his certificate shall have been paid."
- 33. " omit paragraph (d).
- 34. Clause 92, omit this clause.
- 35. Clause 95, line 25, after " party " insert " or."
- 36. " omit paragraph (c).
- 37. Clause 99, omit this clause.
- 38. Clause 100, lines 28-9, omit " subject to the condition that judgment shall be entered against him or."
- 39. " lines 33-4, omit " judgment or."
- 40. Clause 120, omit this clause.

Disagreed with by Assembly and insisted on by Council.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 120, and do not insist on disagreeing with the other amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 120, and do not insist on disagreeing with the other amendments made in such Bill and insisted on by the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled " *An Act to amend the Factories and Shops Act 1896;*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

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

Clause 7, line 28, after " February " insert " next."

After clause 9 insert new clause—

A. Nothing in this or the Principal or Amending Act shall apply to creameries butter and cheese concentrated and condensed milk factories or persons engaged in dairying and in agriculture in any shire town or borough outside the metropolitan district as defined in section thirty-six of Act No. 1445.

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

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

16. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mason reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions. On the motion of Mr. G. Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended, so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

THURSDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1896.

17. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1896-7.—Mr. Mason reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

*Resolved*—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7, for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.**

Number	Classification	DIVISION No. 67.	£	£
<b>POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.</b>				
<b>SALARIES.</b>				
<b>Subdivision No. 1.</b>				
<b>FIRST DIVISION.</b>				
1		Deputy Postmaster-General and Secretary, also General Superintendent of Electric Telegraphs	880	
<b>Subdivision No. 2.</b>				
<b>PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</b>				
			Maxi- mum.	
1	Sc.	Telegraph Engineer and Chief Electrician ...	700	630
1	Sc.	Electrician ... ..	450	447
2				1,077
<b>Subdivision No. 3.*</b>				
<b>CLERICAL DIVISION.</b>				
1	1	Accountant†; also Comptroller of Stamps under Stamps Acts 1140 and 1274 ... ..		665
1	1	Comptroller, Money Order and Savings Banks ...		661
1	1 f	Superintendent, Mail Branch ... ..		546
1	2	Telegraph Manager ... ..		546
1	2	Sub-Accountant ... ..		447
1	3	Inspector, Post and Telegraph Service ...		414
1	4	Assistant Inspector ... ..		326
1	3	Cashier ... ..		447
			Number.	Salary.
1	2 f	Postmaster ... ..	1	£ 468
			1	485
18	3 f	Postmasters ... ..	1	400
			5	350
			1	340
			10	300
			4	275
			3	260
			14	250
			1	240
55	4 f	Postmasters ... ..	2	235
			1	230
			7	225
			13	210
			4	185
			6	175
3	5 f	Postmasters ... ..	3	160
130	5 f	Postmistresses at from £70 to £150 per annum		11,238
4	4 f	Relieving Postmasters ... ..		1,010
2	5 f	Relieving Postmasters ... ..		973
5	5 f	Relieving Postmistresses ... ..		451
10	3	Clerks ... ..		4,405
40	4	Clerks ... ..		10,937
91	5	Clerks ... ..		16,270
1	5 f	Superintendent, General Delivery Room ...		114
5	5 f	Sellers of Stamps ... ..		500
115	5 f	Female Operators and Clerks at from £54 to £90 per annum ... ..		8,274
35	4 f	Operators at from £216 to £300 per annum ...		7,546
205	5	Operators at from £50 to £200 per annum ...		36,820
728				119,801

NOTE.—Postmasters and Postmistresses are allowed quarters.

\* Includes value of services performed for Treasury Department by Postmasters who act also as Receivers and Paymaster say £3,000.—† Acts also as Comptroller of Stores.

Number.	Classification.	£	£
DIVISION No. 67.			
Subdivision No. 4.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
		Maxi- mum. Per month £	
5	Mail Officers at from £18 10s. to £25 per month	25	} 66,000
100	Senior Sorters and Sorters at from £11 10s. per month to £225 per annum	17/10	
9	Parcel Sorters at from £7 to £13 10s. per month	13/10	
13	Female Assistant Sorters at from £4 10s. per month to £80 per annum	6/10	
406	Letter-carriers and Stampers at from £6 per month to 57s. per week	11	
31	Operating Messengers at from £6 to £7 10s. per month	7/10	} 33,500
521	Telegraph Messengers at from £2 per month to 30s. per week	5	
2	Inspectors of Telegraph Works at from £22 to £25 per month	25	} 10,288
3	Overseers of Telegraph Works at from £17 to £21 per month	21	
28	Line Repairers at from £10 10s. per month to 60s. per week	13	
44	Line Repairers' Assistants at from £8 per month to 54s. per week	10	} 1,164
1	Foreman Carpenter at from £14 to £15 per month	15	
8	Carpenters, Carpenters' Assistants, and Ship Carpenter, at from £8 per month to 60s. per week	13	
1	Battery Room Foreman at 60s. per week	13	} 7,802
9	Battery Room Assistants at from £8 per month to 54s. per week	10	
1	Electrical Foreman and Instrument Fitter	34	
43	Instrument Fitter, Instrument Fitters' Assistants, Instrument Fitters' Senior Assistants, and Instrument Fitters' Junior Assistants, at from £6 to £20 10s. per month	20/10	
2	Instrument Fitters' Labourers at from £6 10s. per month to 54s. per week	10	} 16,651
2	Cable Jointers at £14 per month	14	
1	Chief Storeman and Foreman Maintenance Staff at £20 per month	22	
7	Saddlers and Sailmakers at from £9 to £13 per month	13	
10	Storemen and Packers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week	11/10	
79	Porters and Pillar Clearers at from £7 per month to 54s. per week	11	
31	Mail Drivers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week	10/10	
2	Female Stamp Embossers at £80	6/13/4	
1	Caretaker, General Post Office, at £19	19	
4	Night Watchmen at from £10 per month to £15 per month	15	

Number.	Classification	£	£														
DIVISION No. 67.																	
		Maxi- mum. Per month £															
1	Gatekeeper ... ..	12	} 6,565														
4	Painters from £9 to £12 per month ...	12															
1	Plumber and Gasfitter at £14 per month ...	14															
3	Labourers at from £6 10s. to £10 per month ...	10															
4	Senior Engine-driver at £15 10s., and three Engine-drivers at £15 per month ...	15/10															
3	Firemen at £10 per month ...	10															
56	Telephone Switch-board Attendants at from £4 10s. to £7 10s. per month ...	7/10															
1	Typewriter at £5 per month ...	6/10															
1	French-polisher ... ..	13															
1	Stamp Printer and Impresser at £14 per month ... ..	14															
2	Boatmen at 56s. per week ... ..	12															
1	Stamp Impresser and Machineman at £17 per month ... ..	17															
<p>To pay Letter-carriers appointed under old Post Office Regulations the following rates on their promotion as Sorters:—</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2" style="text-align: center;">Minimum Rate of Pay Monthly.</th> <th colspan="3" style="text-align: center;">Scale of Additions.</th> <th rowspan="2" style="text-align: center;">Maximum Rate of Pay Monthly.</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Amount.</th> <th style="text-align: center;">At Intervals of—</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Number.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">£ s. 11 10</td> <td style="text-align: center;">s. 10</td> <td style="text-align: center;">One year</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Six</td> <td style="text-align: center;">£ s. 14 10</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				Minimum Rate of Pay Monthly.	Scale of Additions.			Maximum Rate of Pay Monthly.	Amount.	At Intervals of—	Number.	£ s. 11 10	s. 10	One year	Six	£ s. 14 10	
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	Amount.	At Intervals of—	Number.														
£ s. 11 10	s. 10	One year	Six	£ s. 14 10													
173	Sorters from £11 10s. to £14 10s. per month ...		27,745														
1615			169,715														
Subdivision No. 5.																	
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)																	
9	Telephone Switch-board Attendants at from £6 to £6 10s. per month ... ..		702														
2355	Total SALARIES ... ..		292,175														



DIVISION No. 67.				£	£
Subdivision No. 6.					
CONTINGENCIES.					
Allowances to Country Postmasters, including Commission for conducting Telegraph business	...	...	...	28,000	
Overtime to Officers and others when unavoidably employed at night under special circumstances	...	...	...	300	
Police Constables' Allowances	...	...	...	160	
Temporary Assistance, and to provide for the absence of Officers through sickness and when on leave	...	...	...	2,500	
Special Allowances to Postmasters—Omeo, at £40; Mildura, at £40	...	...	...	80	
Contributions towards the Maintenance of Telegraph Stations at Gabo Island and Flinders	...	...	...	700	
Maintenance of Lines, including Purchase, Hire, and Forage of Horses	...	...	...	1,000	
Telegraph Instruments, Battery Materials, Tools, &c.	...	...	...	2,000	
Commissions on transactions in Post Office Savings Banks and Money Order Offices, and Premiums on extra Guarantees	...	...	...	1,000	
Clothing for Railway Mail Sorters, Letter-carriers, Telegraph Messengers, &c.	...	...	...	2,500	
Stores, Stationery, Mail Bags, Ironmongery, Safes, Seals, and Stamps, &c.	...	...	...	4,000	
Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	5,750	
Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	5,000	
Charwomen, and cleaning at Country Stations	...	...	...	2,000	
Carriage of Stores, Insurance, and Incidentals	...	...	...	2,500	
				57,490	
Total Division No. 67				349,665	
The sum of				...	200,965

Mr. Prendergast moved, That the item "Accountant†; also Comptroller of Stamps under Stamps Acts 1140 and 1274—£665" be reduced by the sum of £1.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

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| Mr. J. Anderson,    | Mr. Murphy,       |
| Mr. Barrett,        | Mr. Prendergast,  |
| Mr. Bennett,        | Mr. Sangster,     |
| Mr. Bowser,         | Mr. Styles,       |
| Mr. Brake,          | Mr. Thomson,      |
| Mr. Bromley,        | Mr. J. B. Tucker, |
| Mr. Graham,         | Mr. Wilkins.      |
| Mr. Grattan,        |                   |
| Mr. Hamilton,       | <i>Tellers.</i>   |
| Mr. John A. Isaacs, | Mr. Beazley,      |
| Mr. Kennedy,        | Mr. Cook.         |
| Mr. Lazarus,        |                   |

Noes, 22.

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| Mr. Baker,           | Mr. O'Neill,        |
| Mr. Best,            | Mr. Peacock,        |
| Mr. Gavan Duffy,     | Mr. Rogers,         |
| Mr. Duggan,          | Mr. Taverner,       |
| Mr. Dyer,            | Mr. G. Turner,      |
| Mr. Gurr,            | Mr. G. J. Turner,   |
| Mr. Harper,          | Mr. Wheeler,        |
| Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, | Mr. H. R. Williams. |
| Mr. Madden,          |                     |
| Mr. McCay,           | <i>Tellers.</i>     |
| Sir John McIntyre,   | Mr. Harris,         |
| Mr. McLean,          | Mr. A. W. H. White. |

And so it passed in the negative.

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

DIVISION No. 68.				£	£
TELEGRAPH LINES.					
No. 1. Extensions, Repairs, and Alterations, Renewing Poles, Transferring Lines to routes of New Railways, including Wire, Insulators, Fittings, &c., for Telegraph Poles, and Telegraph Materials for stock; also Maintenance of Telephone Lines for various Departments	...	...	...	3,950	
2. Telephone Exchanges, Telephones, Battery Materials, Cables, Wire, &c.	...	...	...	2,000	
3. Proportion of Guarantee payable by Victoria to the Government of South Australia on account of reduction in rates on Foreign Telegrams	...	...	...	400	
4. To proportion of Subsidy payable by Victoria towards the construction and maintenance of the Tasmanian Submarine Cable	...	...	...	1,718	
5. To proportion of Guarantee due by Victoria on account of reduction in rates of New Zealand Telegrams	...	...	...	1,500	
6. To amount payable by Victoria to the Government of Tasmania on account of Guarantee to the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company Limited for reduction in Telegraph Rates between Victoria and Tasmania	...	...	...	50	
Total Division No. 68				9,618	
The sum of				...	5,868

## DIVISION No. 69.

## MAIL SERVICE.

## No. 1. Conveyance of Inland Mails—

Government Railways	...	...	...	56,500
Contractors, Special Conveyance of Mails, Purchase and Forage of Horses for Clearance of Letter Pillars, and Conveyance of Mails to Railway Stations, &c.	...	...	...	38,500

Total Division No. 69	...	...	...	95,000
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The sum of	...	...	...	...	54,000
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## DIVISION No. 70.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

## No. 1. Compensation, Annual Allowances, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service, or their Widows—(Inalterable):—

Annual Allowance to H. Tune	...	...	£25	8	8
J. Legon	...	...	70	10	5
S. Bastard	...	...	52	7	7
J. Branston	...	...	35	15	11
L. Brady	...	...	33	11	6
J. Macfarlane	...	...	25	7	0
Elizabeth J. Stewart (née Bowie)	...	...	21	3	10
Ellen Reilly (née Campion)	...	...	22	0	0
To Benjamin Greening	...	£133	0	6	
Less paid from Special Appropriations	...	93	2	4	
			39	18	2
			£326	3	1

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To Porter John Bourke, £50 (in addition to pension of £32 17s. 3d.) on retirement from the service, in consideration of special services rendered in the establishment of the first overland Mail Service to Sydney

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- Contribution by the Colony of Victoria towards expenses of the International Telegraph Bureau at Berne, including expenses of remitting the same
- Refund to Messrs. Taylor, Buckland, and Gates of penalty paid on "Release of charge" Devine to same
- To pay Mary Johnston amount of Telegraph Money Order obtained by another person under false pretences
- Refund to Messrs. Farmer and Turner of penalties paid on "Deeds of Assignment" Curwen to Dynan and Davis, and Brine to Robertson and Kimpton

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Total Division No. 70	...	...	...	430
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The sum of	...	...	...	...	230
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And, after debate, the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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

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

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

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

*Resolved*—That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th June, 1897, the sum of £2,065,368 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Mr. G. Turner and Mr. Gavan Duffy do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

19. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—Mr. G. Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

20. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the granting of a Loan to the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and for other purposes.*”

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on their amendments in the Bill intituled “*An Act to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners' Savings Banks, to amend the 'Savings Banks Act 1890,' to enable advances to be made and for other purposes*” with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed; but the Legislative Council maintain that this is not a Bill which comes within the operation of the 56th section of the Constitution Act, and therefore they have the undoubted right to amend the same; but in view of the importance of the Bill, and the great desire of the Legislative Council to meet what they believe to be the wishes of the country, they have decided not to insist on their amendments, but they do so under protest.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendment to omit clause 120.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*” be now laid aside.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this House do still insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 120.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council, with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly still insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 120 of such Bill.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*” without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 24th December, 1896.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Crimes Act 1890'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 23rd December, 1896.

24. CRIMES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Crimes 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 this day.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

25. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 be postponed until this day.

26. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 6).—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

27. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. G. Turner moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until this day, at half-past four o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. G. Turner moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 80.

THURSDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1896.

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

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message No. 23.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Companies Act 1890' and for other purposes":—

- In clause 35, omit the word "thirty-four" and insert "thirty-five."
- In clause 101, omit the words "eighty-seven to ninety inclusive, ninety-three and ninety-five and ninety-six" and insert "eighty-eight to ninety-one inclusive, ninety-four, ninety-six, and ninety-seven."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 24th December, 1896.

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

- 3. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Langdon, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Printing Committee.  
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
- 4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. G. Turner, and the same was read :—

BRASSEY,  
Governor.

Message No. 24.

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

- "An Act to amend the 'Aliens Act 1890.'"
- "An Act to amend the 'Game Act 1890.'"
- "An Act to authorize the raising of money for the redemption of Victorian Government Stock and for other purposes."
- "An Act to refer certain matters to the Federal Council of Australasia for the exercise of Legislative authority thereon."
- "An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as Loans for Water Supply and Irrigation Works in the Country Districts and for other purposes."
- "An Act to further continue in force Part III. of the 'Employers and Employés Act 1890.'"
- "An Act to declare the Rates of Duties of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and to amend the 'Income Tax Act 1895.'"
- "An Act to amend the 'Poisons Act 1890.'"
- "An Act to sanction the Expenditure of Moneys available under Loan Acts for Railways."

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 24th December, 1896.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Companies Act 1890' and for other purposes.*"

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 24th December, 1896.

W. A. ZEAL,  
President.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Clerk-Assistant of the Legislative Council attended from that House, and delivered the following Message :—

MR. SPEAKER,

I am directed by the Legislative Council to return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency,*" and to acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendment to omit clause 120. I am also directed to state that a Message in writing will be sent later on.

Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs moved, That the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Insolvency*" be now laid aside.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill laid aside.

7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—A Message was delivered by the Usher of the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Governor desires this Honorable House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to attend His Excellency, when His Excellency was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Public Bills, viz.:—

"*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.*"

"*An Act to amalgamate the Post Office Savings Bank and the Commissioners' Savings Banks, to amend the 'Savings Banks Act 1890,' to enable advances to be made and for other purposes.*"

"*An Act to further amend the 'Companies Act 1890' and for other purposes.*"

And His Excellency was pleased to reserve the following Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, viz.:—

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

After which His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

After the long and arduous Session which has extended over a period of six months, I am pleased to be able to release you from your labours before the close of the year.

The Parliaments of Tasmania and Australia, with the exception of that of Queensland, having now passed Enabling Bills for the election of members of a Convention to frame a Federal Constitution, the elections will be held in the various colonies on the same day in March next. I trust that the result of the deliberations of the Convention will be a Constitution which will ultimately find acceptance from the people to whom it is to be submitted, and achieve the object that all have in view.

I congratulate you upon the fact that the Bill for the Regulation of Factories and Shops has at last been placed upon the Statute Book. It is hoped the measure will ameliorate the condition of the workers and appreciably mitigate the evil of "sweating."

The interests of the agriculturists have received your sympathetic consideration, and the Bill which you have passed to enable them to receive advances of money at a low rate of interest will do much to assist the class of cultivators which the policy of the country has settled on the land.

The Bill which has been passed to amend the Company Law, whilst guarding against negligence or fraud on the part of promoters, directors, managers, or auditors, and whilst offering greater security to the public than has been possible in the past, will, it is believed, encourage and facilitate legitimate commercial enterprise.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I thank you, in the name of Her Majesty, for the provision that you have made for the service of the State. It is gratifying to find that the steady decline in the Revenue, which has taken place for several years past, has been checked. An improvement may be expected for the future.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

It is to be regretted that the Bills for the Reform of the Constitution and for the amendment of the Insolvency Law laid before you have not been passed into law.

The exigencies of public business unfortunately prevented the Bill for the Amendment and Consolidation of the Mining Law, which had been eagerly expected by the mining community, from being placed on the Statute Book, although it had passed the House of Assembly. Next Session advantage will be taken of the Standing Order recently passed by the Council to reinstate this measure at the stage which it had reached, when it is to be hoped it will speedily become law.

Time did not permit the introduction of the Bill for the Regulation of Public Charities which had been promised, but my Advisers intend to carefully consider during the recess the complicated questions involved, with a view of submitting a measure for your consideration early next Session.

The Commission appointed to inquire into the condition of the irrigation settlement of Mildura having furnished a very able and exhaustive Report, my Advisers embodied the recommendations in a measure which has been passed into law, and which will, it is to be hoped, preserve that settlement from the ruin with which it was threatened.

Other valuable measures have been passed. The Loan Conversion Bill will give substantial relief to the taxpayers in the amount of interest payable. Doubtless this will be followed by a consolidation of all Victorian Loans, thus reducing on terms fair to the holders of Government stock the interest thereon to three per cent. Powers have been obtained to foster and encourage the Mining and Agricultural industries by advances to companies for the development of mining and to miners for prospecting ; for the cutting of tracks and the establishment of batteries in auriferous districts ; and for the providing of bonuses for exportation of produce, the constitution of wineries, and the growing of plants to be used for fibre and oil. The legislation of the Session includes a measure for referring various matters of intercolonial concern to the Federal Council, which has been summoned to meet at Hobart in January next ; a Bill rectifying anomalies in the Income Tax Act ; a Bill for the widening, deepening, and improving of the River Yarra, which will not only minimise the danger of floods, but has also found employment for many workers during several months past ; a Bill simplifying the Law relating to Aliens ; a Bill to prevent the adulteration of agricultural seeds ; a Bill to amend the Crimes Act, whereby frauds by agents which have hitherto been perpetrated with impunity will be prevented ; a Bill for the regulation of the carriage of explosives, a long looked-for measure to secure the safety of the metropolis by removing the Powder Magazine to a suitable site at a sufficient distance from the city ; a measure amending the Coroners Act ; a Bill to amend the Customs Law ; and a Bill for the better Preservation of Game. In addition to these measures, Bills dealing with various other matters, including Exported Products and Usury, were also introduced, but time did not permit of your dealing therewith.

In discharging you from your attendance in Parliament, I thank you for the valuable work you have done, which I trust will be beneficial to the people of Victoria.

I now, in the name of Her Majesty, declare this Parliament to be prorogued to the 4th day of February, 1897.

BRASSEY.

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

GRAHAM BERRY,  
*Speaker.*

## SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1896.



### 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Burton,  
Mr. Cameron,  
Mr. Harris,

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Mr. Moule,  
Mr. Reid,  
Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.



### 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. Graves,  
Mr. Mason,  
Sir John McIntyre,  
Mr. McLean,  
Mr. McLellan,

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Mr. Staughton,  
Mr. Trenwith,  
Mr. A. L. Tucker,  
Mr. G. Turner,  
Mr. Vale,  
Mr. Wheeler.



### 3.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. Deakin,  
Mr. Gavan Duffy,

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Mr. Madden,  
Mr. Shiels.



### 4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. T. Smith,

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Mr. Taverner,  
Mr. Webb.



## 5.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Speaker,  
Mr. W. Anderson,  
Mr. Bromley,  
Mr. Craven,  
Mr. Dyer,  
Mr. Grattan,

Mr. Gray,  
Mr. Hancock,  
Mr. Langdon,  
Mr. McKenzie,  
Mr. Outtrim,  
Mr. Rawson.

## 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Austin,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Murphy,

Mr. Reid,  
Mr. Wilkins.

## 7.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 25th June, 1896.)

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Carter,  
Mr. Deakin,  
Sir John McIntyre,

Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.,  
Mr. T. Smith,  
Mr. Wheeler.

## 8.—ALFRED GODDARD.

(Appointed 21st July, 1896.)

Mr. Burton,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. Irvine,  
Mr. McGregor,

Mr. Murphy,  
Mr. Styles,  
Mr. E. D. Williams.

9.—MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT  
BILL.

(Appointed 1st September, 1896.)

Mr. Barrett,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Deakin,  
Mr. McKenzie,

Mr. Moule,  
Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.,  
Mr. Wheeler.

NOTE.—The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (Joint) was appointed on 31st October, 1894.

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# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

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No. 1.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 2ND JULY, 1896.

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WEDNESDAY, 1st JULY, 1896.

No. 1.—*Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.*—Clause 25.

(1) The directors and manager of every company—

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(2) The shareholder's balance-sheet shall be in such form as is directed either by the articles of association or by a resolution of the company and shall show in every case—

Shareholders'  
balance-sheet.

- (a) the amount of share capital issued and the amount paid up thereon distinguishing the amount of share capital paid up in money and the amount paid otherwise that in money and the arrears of calls due ; and
- (b) the amount of debts due by the company distinguishing the amount of mortgages debentures and floating charges over the general assets of the company ;
- (c) the amount of debts due to the company after making a proper deduction for debts considered to be bad or doubtful, "and" showing the particulars of such deduction;
- (d) whether the assets are taken at cost price or by valuation or on what other basis they are stated and whether any and if so what amount of percentage has been written off and what other provision (if any) has been made for depreciation ; and
- (e) the actual amount of the reserve fund (if any) and the mode in which it is invested.

(3) The shareholders' balance-sheet shall be accompanied by a certificate signed by one or more of the directors on behalf of the board stating that in his or their opinion the balance-sheet contains the particulars required by this Act and is drawn up so as to exhibit a correct view of the state of the company's affairs.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "and," in line 11, be omitted.—(*Mr. Carter.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 12.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith.
Mr. Fink,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 2ND JULY, 1896.

## No. 2.—Clause 31.

(1) Every company "shall" at each annual general meeting appoint an auditor <sup>Appointment of</sup> or auditors to hold office until the next annual general meeting. <sub>auditors.</sub>

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—(Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "shall," in line 1, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "may."—(Mr. Cook.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 10.

Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.
Mr. Gray,	
Mr. Hamilton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. McCay.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That the following new sub-section be added to the clause :—

(7) No person shall at any time be appointed as an auditor of any company for more than two years in succession, and no person having acted as an auditor of any company shall be eligible for appointment until after the expiration of twelve months at the least.—(Mr. Cook.)

Question—That the sub-section proposed to be added be so added—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 40.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Gurr,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 2.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 9TH JULY, 1896.

TUESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1896.

No. 1.—Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Clause 37.

“The” Governor in Council may at any time if he think fit, and either with or without any conditions as to the deposit of money or otherwise as security for costs and expenses, by notice in the Government Gazette, appoint for any company one or more auditors who shall be called “special auditors.”—(Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “The,” in line 1, be omitted.—(Mr. Moule.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 41.

- Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Baker, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Best, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Brake, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Burton, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Foster, Mr. Graham, Mr. Graves, Mr. Gray, Mr. Grose, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Harris, Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. John A. Isaacs, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Maloney, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McLean, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Peacock, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. G. J. Turner, Mr. Webb, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. E. D. Williams, Mr. H. R. Williams.

Tellers.

- Mr. Beazley, Mr. Murray.

Noes, 28.

- Mr. A. Anderson, Mr. Carter, Mr. Cook, Mr. Downward, Mr. Fink, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Madden, Mr. McCay, Mr. McColl, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLellan, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Rawson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Shiels, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Sterry, Mr. Thomson, Mr. A. W. H. White.

Tellers.

- Mr. Lazarus, Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 3.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 16TH JULY, 1896.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1896.

No. 1.—Companies Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.—Clause 112.

(1) A director may not, in consideration of his becoming a director or taking any contract or otherwise acting in a company's concerns, or without any such consideration, retain for his own use any remuneration or gift in money, shares, or otherwise, from any promoter of the company, or from any vendor or lessor to the company, or from any person contracting with the company, or from any person interested in the fulfilment by the director of any contract with the company, unless the remuneration or gift is received in pursuance of a power in that behalf contained in the articles of association, and is expressly sanctioned by an extraordinary resolution of the company, and any remuneration or gift not so sanctioned may be recovered by the company from the director with such interest as the court may direct.

"(2) Every director shall be under an obligation to the company to use reasonable care and prudence in the exercise of his powers and duties, and shall be liable to compensate the company for any damage incurred by reason of culpable neglect to use such care and prudence."—(Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-section (2) of the clause be omitted.—(Mr. Higgins.)

Question—That sub-section (2) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 39.

- Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Baker, Mr. Murray, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Brake, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Russell, Mr. Burton, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Cook, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Styles, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Taverner, Mr. Dyer, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Mr. Foster, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. Graham, Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Graves, Mr. G. J. Turner, Mr. Grose, Mr. Webb, Mr. Hancock, Mr. J. S. White, Mr. Harris, Mr. H. R. Williams.

Tellers.

- Mr. Kerr, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Maloney, Mr. McCay.

Noes, 27.

- Mr. A. Anderson, Mr. Reid, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Shiels, Mr. Chirnside, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. Craven, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Fink, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Irvine, Mr. A. W. H. White, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Zox, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McLellan, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Rawson.

Tellers.

- Mr. Lazarus, Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 2.—Clause 168.

(1) Every penalty payable in respect of any offence against this Act may be recovered in the manner expressly named in this Act and in case no manner of recovering the same is so named may be recovered before "a Court of Petty Sessions." <sup>Recovery of penalties.</sup>

(2) Except where express provision is otherwise made in the Companies Acts proceedings for any penalty imposed in such Acts may be taken by any person whatever with the written consent of the Attorney-General.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "a Court of Petty Sessions," in line 3, be omitted.—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 42.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Kerr,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Higgins,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Prendergast.

## Noes, 22.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McCay,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Thomson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 4.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 23RD JULY, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1896.

No. 1.—Local Government Act 1890 further Amendment Bill (No. 4).—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything contained in sections fifty-one or fifty-three of the Local Government Act 1890 no person now or heretofore holding the office of a councillor of any municipality shall by reason only of having before the commencement of this Act done either or both of the following things (that is to say) :—

Indemnity to councillors of a municipality selling goods to municipality in contravention of Act No. 1112.

(a) in the ordinary course of business and not pursuant to any written contract bonâ fide sold goods "to" such municipality; or

(b) purchased or agreed to purchase from any municipality wire netting for fencing purposes—be deemed to have been or to be incapable of being or continuing a councillor of such municipality or be liable to any penalty or costs, and every past and present councillor of any municipality shall be and is hereby indemnified freed and discharged from every penalty incurred by him before the commencement of this Act under the said sections or either of them for having done either or both of the things aforesaid.—(Mr. Graves.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "or done work for" be inserted after the word "to," in line 6.—(Mr. John A. Isaacs.)

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

Ayes, 44.

- Mr. A. Anderson, Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Baker, Mr. Best, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Brake, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Craven, Mr. Duffus, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Foster, Mr. Graham, Mr. Graves, Mr. Grose, Mr. Harris, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, Mr. John A. Isaacs, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Levién, Mr. McArthur, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. McLean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Murray, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Taverner, Mr. Thomson, Mr. G. J. Turner, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. E. D. Williams, Mr. H. R. Williams, Mr. Zox.

Tellers.

- Mr. Bennett, Mr. McCay.

Noes, 23.

- Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Gray, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Lazarus, Mr. Madden, Mr. McColl, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Moule, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Rawson, Mr. Reid, Mr. Russell, Mr. Salmon, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Shiels, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. Wilkins.

Tellers.

- Mr. Beazley, Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “but no such present councillor shall be entitled to the benefit of this Act unless he has resigned his seat as such councillor” be added to the clause.

—(Mr. Murray.)

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

Ayes, 24.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Reid,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McColl,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Lazarus.

Noes, 39.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Bennett,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. McCay.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 3.—New clause B.—

Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act no person now or hereafter holding the office of a councillor of any municipality shall be deemed to be or be incapable of being or continuing a councillor of such municipality or be liable to any penalty or costs by reason only of purchasing or agreeing to purchase from any municipality wire netting for fencing purposes if within three months thereafter the Minister of Lands shall certify in writing that he is satisfied the said person has not obtained any undue advantage in respect of such purchase by reason of his being a councillor as aforesaid.—(Mr. John A. Isaacs.)

Question—That this clause be now read a second time—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLean,	
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Duffus.

Noes, 21.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Lazarus,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McCay.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.  
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 5.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 13TH AUGUST, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1896.

No. 1.—*Supply*.—*Estimates for 1896-7*.

Motion made—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

**I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.**

Number.	Classification.	DIVISION NO. 1.	£	£
		LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No 1.		
1	...	“ The President ... ..	820 ”	
		* * * * *		
		Total Division No. 1 ... ..	1,325	
		The sum of ... ..	...	990

—(*Mr. Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed and question put—That the item “The President, £820” be reduced by the sum of £50.—(*Mr. Murray.*)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 42.

<p>Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Baker, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Brake, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Chirnside, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grattan, Mr. Gray, Mr. Grose, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Harris, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Longmore,</p>	<p>Mr. Maloney, Mr. McArthur, Mr. McCay, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Sangster, Mr. T. Smith, Mr. Styles, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. Vale, Mr. Webb, Mr. A. W. H. White, Mr. Wilkins, Mr. E. D. Williams.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Beazley, Mr. Cook.</p>
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Noes, 28.

<p>Mr. A. Anderson, Mr. Best, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Downward, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Fink, Mr. Graves, Mr. Irvine, Mr. Lazarus, Mr. Levien, Mr. Madden, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McLean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. McLeod,</p>	<p>Mr. Moule, Mr. Peacock, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Russell, Mr. Shiels, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. Staughton, Mr. G. Turner, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. J. S. White, Mr. H. R. Williams.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tellers.</i></p> <p>Mr. Duffus, Mr. G. J. Turner.</p>
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 6.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 20TH AUGUST, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1896.

No. 1.—*Supply.—Estimates for 1896-7.*

Motion made—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

DIVISION No. 19.	£	£
GRANTS.		
No. 1. For the purpose of aiding the funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums ... ..	2,500	
The Grant to be distributed subject to the following conditions :—		
I. That no more than one-sixteenth of the entire sum be divided amongst the Institutions within ten miles of Melbourne.		
II. That where the Free Library or Museum is part of, or connected with, a Mechanics' or other Institution, all the books, periodicals, and newspapers in such Institution, or all the articles in the Museum, as the case may be, are to be available to the public in the Free Library or Museum on all occasions when they are available to subscribers.		
III. That the Grant be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council.		
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Total Division No. 19 ... ..	6,850	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,810

—(Mr. Peacock.)

Amendment proposed and question put—That the following words and figures be added to this vote :—  
 “And in the opinion of the Committee Item No. 1 should be increased by the sum of £1,500.”—  
 (Sir John McIntyre.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Murray.

Noes, 35.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 7.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—Treasury Bonds Bill.—First Schedule.

Mining enterprise	* * * * *	as may be.	£
authorized by Parliament	...	...	140,000
For the giving of Bonuses for Dairy Produce, Fruits, and Honey of best quality and in best order exported to markets other than Australasian; "for the development of the Wine Industry"; for the sowing and planting and cultivation of Seeds or Plants to be used for the manufacture of Fibre, Oil, &c.; also for the manufacture of same; and for the manufacture of Raisins, Currants, and Figs to be expended under regulation to be approved by the Governor in Council	...	...	35,000
To complete road—			
Cunninghame to Orbost.—About 10 miles	...	...	1,000
Orbost to Bendoc.—About 10 miles	...	...	1,500
Bruthen to Omeo.—Tambo Valley-road.—About 60 miles	...	...	6,000
Bairnsdale to Bruthen, <i>via</i> Sarsfield.—About 7 miles	...	...	800
Omeo to Glen Wills, and towards Tallangatta.—About 10 miles	...	...	3,000
Bairnsdale to Omeo, <i>via</i> Mount Baldhead.—About 40 miles	...	...	5,000
To assist "the 5th and 6th class" shires in opening up country in localities from which rates derived are small	...	...	7,700
			25,000

(Mr. G. Turner.)

Further amendment proposed—That the words "for the development of the Wine Industry," in lines 4 and 5, be omitted.—(Mr. E. D. Williams.)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 35.

- Mr. A. Anderson,
- Mr. J. Anderson,
- Mr. Best,
- Mr. Bowser,
- Mr. Bromley,
- Mr. Burton,
- Mr. Downward,
- Mr. Duffus,
- Mr. Gavan Duffy,
- Mr. Duggan,
- Mr. Foster,
- Mr. Grattan,
- Mr. Graves,
- Mr. Hancock,
- Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,
- Mr. Kennedy,
- Mr. Langdon,
- Sir John McIntyre,
- Mr. McKenzie,
- Mr. McLean,
- Mr. McLellan,
- Mr. Murphy,
- Mr. Peacock,
- Mr. Prendergast,
- Mr. Rawson,
- Mr. Sangster,
- Mr. Staughton,
- Mr. Taverner,
- Mr. Thomson,
- Mr. J. B. Tucker,
- Mr. G. Turner,
- Mr. G. J. Turner,
- Mr. Zox.

Tellers.

- Mr. Lazarus,
- Mr. O'Neill.

Noes, 40.

- Mr. W. Anderson,
- Mr. Austin,
- Mr. Baker,
- Mr. Barrett,
- Mr. Brake,
- Mr. Cook,
- Mr. Craven,
- Mr. Deakin,
- Mr. Dyer,
- Mr. Fink,
- Mr. Gray,
- Mr. Grose,
- Mr. Gurr,
- Mr. Hamilton,
- Mr. Higgins,
- Mr. Irvine,
- Mr. John A. Isaacs,
- Mr. Kerr,
- Mr. Kirton,
- Mr. Levien,
- Mr. McArthur,
- Mr. McCay,
- Mr. McGregor,
- Mr. McLeod,
- Mr. Murray,
- Mr. Outtrim,
- Mr. Russell,
- Mr. Salmon,
- Mr. Shiels,
- Mr. R. Murray Smith,
- Mr. T. Smith,
- Mr. Styles,
- Mr. A. L. Tucker,
- Mr. Vale,
- Mr. Wheeler,
- Mr. J. S. White,
- Mr. Wilkins,
- Mr. E. D. Williams.

Tellers.

- Mr. Beazley,
- Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “for the construction of Wineries in vine-growing districts, and viticultural education generally” be inserted in place of the words omitted.—(*Sir John McIntyre.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. O'Neill.

Noes, 32.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Gray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1896.

## No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words and figures “the 5th and 6th class,” in the last line but one, be omitted.—(*Mr. McArthur.*)

Question—That the words and figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Kirton,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Gray,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 27.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Austin,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Duggan,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Moulc.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 8.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—Supply.—Estimates for 1896-7.

Motion made—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:-

## VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

Number.	DIVISION No. 48.	£	£
	* * * * *		
	Subdivision No. 10.		
	MOUNTED RIFLES.		
	SALARIES..		
1	“Officer Commanding ... ..	560	”
1	Adjutant ... ..	242	
7	Instructors at from £150 to £173 per annum (without quarters) ... ..	1,087	
9		1,889	
	* * * * *		
	Subdivision No. 28.		
	VICTORIAN ARTILLERY.		
	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.		
1	“Major ... ..	485	473
2	Captains ... ..	355	740
6	Lieutenants ... ..	256	1,444
1	Surgeon-Captain ... ..	300	279
1	Adjutant ... ..	256	294
11		3,230	
	SALARIES.—WARRANT, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AND MEN.		
4	Warrant Officers ... ..	7/6	
4	Company Sergeants-Major and Staff Sergeants ... ..	6/3	
14	Sergeants ... ..	5/9	
16	Corporals ... ..	4/9	
13	Bombardiers ... ..	4/3	
5	Armament Artificers ... ..	9/6	
1	Blacksmith ... ..	9/6	
1	Engine-driver ... ..	7/6	
1	Coxswain ... ..	7/6	
2	Deck-hands ... ..	6/-	
1	Fireman ... ..	6/-	
4	Trumpeters ... ..	3/6	
203	Gunners ... ..	3/6	
8	Boys ... ..	2/-	
277		17,644	
288	Total SALARIES, Victorian Artillery ... ..	20,874	
	* * * * *		
	Total Division No. 48 ... ..	140,052	
	The sum of ... ..		97,592

—(Mr. G. Turner.)

Amendment proposed and question put—That the item "Officer Commanding, £560" be reduced by the sum of £100.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 37.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Austin,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed and question put—That the item "Major, £473" be reduced by the sum of £26.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale.
Mr. Grose,	
Mr. Hamilton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Prendergast.
Mr. Longmore,	

Noes, 36.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Bennett,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Gavan Duffy,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 9.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Supply.—Estimates for 1896-7.*

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sum already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

## XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

Number.	DIVISION No. 82. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.	£	£
	* * * * *		
	LOCOMOTIVE BRANCH.		
1	Chief Mechanical Engineer† ... ..	836	
1	Chief Clerk ... ..	414	
1	Workshops Manager ... ..	501	
1	Chief Running Inspector ... ..	501	
2	Locomotive Inspectors ... ..	938	
1	Rolling-stock Inspector ... ..	279	
7	Locomotive Foremen ... ..	2,209	
1	Draughtsman ... ..	303	
<u>15</u>		<u>5,981</u>	
	* * * * *		
	Total Division No. 82 ... ..	1,427,000	
	The sum of ... ..	...	1,067,000
	“† With allowance of £150 per annum.”		

—(Mr. H. R. Williams.)

Amendment proposed and question put—That the note “† With allowance of £150 per annum” be omitted from the item Chief Mechanical Engineer†, £836.—(Mr. Graham.)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Murray,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Duggan,
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Gray.

Noes, 51.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. McLellan,	

And so it passed in the negative.



## XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

DIVISION No. 83.							£	£
MISCELLANEOUS.								
* * * * *								
5. Allowances to ex-Acting Railways Commissioners, viz. :—								
" J. Syder		...	...	...	...	£1,000"		
T. H. Woodroffe		...	...	...	...	400		
R. Lochhead		...	...	...	...	600		
						2,000		
Total Division No. 83							,828	
The sum of							...	7,120

—(Mr. H. R. Williams.)

Amendment proposed—That the words and figures "J. Syder, £1,000," in Item 5, Allowances to ex-Acting Railways Commissioners, be omitted.—(Mr. Murray.)

Question—That the words and figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the Item—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Hamilton,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. T. Smith.

Noes, 28.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Grose,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Duggan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.  
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 10.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 15TH OCTOBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.*—Clause 97 (on recommitment).

PART VIII.—SETTLEMENTS.

(1) Every settlement of property on or for the wife or children or both wife and children of the settlor made after the commencement of this Act not being a settlement made before or in consideration of marriage or a settlement made on or for the wife or children or both wife and children of the settlor of property which has accrued to the settlor after marriage in right of his wife "shall" in case of the insolvency of the settlor at any time thereafter be absolutely void and of no effect against the assignee or trustee in insolvency unless such settlement be in writing and—

- (a) If made within twelve months before the insolvency of the settlor and executed within Victoria shall have been registered within seven clear days after the execution thereof by the settlor; or
- (b) If made within twelve months before the insolvency of the settlor and executed in any place out of Victoria shall have been registered within seven clear days after the time at which it would in the ordinary course of post arrive in Victoria if posted within one week after the execution thereof by the settlor; or
- (c) If made more than twelve months before the insolvency of the settlor, then wherever executed shall have been registered at least twelve months before such insolvency.

(2) "Settlement" shall for the purposes of this Part include any conveyance or transfer of property.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Amendment proposed—That all the words after the word "shall," in line 6, to the end of the clause be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "be inoperative and have no validity at law or in equity unless and until registered as hereinafter mentioned within thirty days after execution by the settlor."—(*Mr. Higgins.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 44.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 20.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Staughton.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Duggan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Clause 86 (*on re-recommittal*).

No insolvent shall be entitled to an absolute grant of a certificate of discharge until all persons mentioned in sub-section two of section one hundred and fifteen of the Principal Act having claims against his "estate" have either consented to such grant or have been paid and satisfied such portion of the amounts owing to them as is by the said sub-section made a preferential claim against the estate.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Preferential claims to be paid or satisfied or consent to be given.

Amendment proposed—That the words "shall have proved such claims and" be inserted after the word "estate," in line 3.—(*Mr. Madden.*)

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

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 32.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.

## Noes, 38.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Cook.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 3.—Clause 101.

Any settlement which would if made within two years before the insolvency be void as against the assignee or trustee of the insolvent estate and any covenant or contract which would if made before the insolvency be void as against such assignee or trustee shall if made by an insolvent after the date of the sequestration and before obtaining an absolute certificate of discharge be void as against the assignee or trustee of his estate.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Fraudulent settlements before absolute certificate void against trustee.

Question—That clause 101 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 38:

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Cook.

## Noes, 33.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 4.—Clause 114.

(1) There shall out of every estate being administered after the commencement of this Act be paid into the Treasury of Victoria towards the expenses of administering the Insolvency Acts such sum not less than one-eighth of a pound or not exceeding "Four" pounds per centum on the gross produce from time to time of any such estate, and a scale, within the limits aforesaid and the time or times of payment may be fixed and varied from time to time by any regulations of the Governor in Council, and such regulations shall within ten days after the making thereof be laid before Parliament or if Parliament be not then sitting then within ten days from the date of its meeting.

Payment of percentage to Treasury.

(2) Every such payment shall be made by the Chief Clerk the assignee or trustee as the court shall direct.

(3) "Estate administered" in this section shall include estate in insolvency, or in liquidation by arrangement, a composition with creditors under Part IX. of the Principal Act, and property assigned by or dealt with under a deed of arrangement as defined by this Act and made after the commencement of this Act.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "Four," in line 4, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "One."—(*Mr. Carter.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. McCay.

*Tellers.*

Noes, 25.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. McLellan,	
Mr. McLeod,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. McColl,  
Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 11.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 29TH OCTOBER, 1896.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 Amendment Bill.*—Clause 5.

In this Act unless the context otherwise requires—

Interpretation.

- “Assembly” means Legislative Assembly ;  
 “Business” means business profession vocation trade calling employment or occupation ;  
 “District” means electoral district ;  
 “Election” means election of a member to serve in the Assembly ;  
 “Elector” means an elector for the Assembly ;  
 “Governor” means Governor in Council ;  
 “Member” means member of the Assembly ;  
 “Person” means man “or woman” ;  
 “Prescribed” means prescribed by regulations of the Governor ;  
 “Resides” or “residing” means (a) has [or having] his home or (b) lives [or living] for the greater part of his time for the purpose of earning a livelihood ;  
 “Residence” of a person means premises where the person resides or where he carries on business on his own behalf as a principal. A person shall be held to have resided for twelve or any less number of months in Victoria if during those months his home has been constantly in Victoria notwithstanding that he may have been absent from such home during a portion of such period ;  
 “Residential qualification” means a qualification of which having a residence forms a part.—(*Mr. Best.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “or woman,” in line 9, be omitted.—(*Mr. Madden.*)Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. O'Neill,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker.
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Bennett,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

## No. 2.—Clause 100.

(1) At any election for the Assembly the returning officer or deputy if he think fit may and if required by any scrutineer or by any two persons entitled to vote at the polling place at which he presides shall before any person tendering his vote thereat receives a ballot-paper (but not afterwards) put to such person the following questions in addition to any others he may lawfully put (that is to say) :—

Additional questions which may be put to elector on tendering vote.

- (I.) Have you already voted in any electoral district to-day? (or in case of an adjourned poll the day from which the poll was adjourned is also to be named).
- (II.) Was the elector's right now exhibited by you issued to you? and
- (III.) Have you now a residential qualification in this electoral district, or have you had such qualification in this electoral district for a period of at least three months during the last twelve months?

(2) The second of such questions shall be substituted for prescribed question (No. 11.) in section two hundred and forty-four of the Principal Act.

(3) If any person having tendered his vote to whom any such question is put refuses or omits distinctly to answer the same, or does not answer the first of such questions absolutely in the negative and the second and third questions absolutely in the affirmative, he shall be and be deemed prohibited from voting then or afterwards at such election, and shall be guilty of an offence, and upon conviction thereof before a court of petty sessions shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Twenty pounds or to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding one month.

Refusal &c. to answer.

(4) If any person makes a false answer to any such question put as aforesaid "or votes" or attempts to vote in more than one district or more than once in one district at any election he shall be guilty of an offence, and upon conviction thereof before a court of petty sessions shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds or to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding three months.—(*Mr. Best.*)

Any person wilfully giving false answer may be summarily punished.

Amendment proposed—That the words "or votes," in line 22, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "any person whose name is on the electoral roll for the Legislative Assembly shall be entitled to vote in virtue of his manhood and may exercise such vote in the electorate in which he resides, and should the same person be rated in any municipal district for property of the yearly value of not less than Ten pounds, not being in the electorate in which he resides, he shall also have the right to a vote in the electorate in which such property is assessed. Provided always that he shall not cast more than two votes at any election for the Legislative Assembly."—(*Sir John McIntyre.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 46.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Prendergast.

## Noes, 16.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Madden,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 12.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 5TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Customs Act 1890 Amendment Bill.*—Clause 11.

Any person who without *reasonable* excuse “(the proof of which shall be on the person accused)” sends or brings into Victoria or causes or authorizes the making sending or bringing into Victoria any invoice or paper used or intended to be used as an invoice or who being in Victoria has in his possession any bill heading or other paper appearing to be a heading or blank capable of being filled up and used as an invoice and bearing any certificate purporting to show or which may be used to show that the invoice which may be made from such bill heading or blank is correct or authentic shall be guilty of a misdemeanour and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding One hundred pounds and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months; and the goods entered under any invoice made from any such bill heading or blank shall be forfeited.—(*Mr. Best.*)

Penalty for importing or having blank invoices with certificates.

Further amendment proposed—That the words “(the proof of which shall be on the person accused),” in lines 1 and 2, be omitted.—(*Mr. R. Murray Smith.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 27.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 2.—Clause 12.

If, for the purpose of evading in whole or in part payment of any duties of Customs, any person makes or sends or brings into Victoria or causes or authorizes the making sending or bringing into Victoria any invoice or paper used or intended to be used as an invoice for Customs purposes in which any goods are entered or charged at a less price or value than that actually charged or intended to be charged for them, or in which the goods are falsely described, no sum of money shall be recoverable by such person his assigns or representatives for the price of such goods or any part thereof or on any bill of exchange note or other security (unless in the hands of an innocent holder for value without notice) made given or executed for the price of such goods or any part of such price.—(*Mr. Best.*)

Person making false invoice cannot recover price of goods sold.

Question—That clause 12, as amended, stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 41.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McGregor,	
Mr. McLean,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Cook.

## Noes, 21.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Sir John McIntyre,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Moule,  
Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 13.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Employers' Liability Law Amendment Bill.*—Clause 2.

(1) Where after the commencement of this Act personal injury is caused to a workman by reason of the negligence of any person in the service of the workman's employer, the workman or in case of death his representative shall have the same right to compensation and remedies against the employer as if the workman had not been a workman of nor in the service of the employer nor engaged in his work.

(2) A workman shall not be deemed to have accepted any risk incident to his employment by reason only of his having entered upon or continued in the employment after he knew of the risk.—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to any person or persons engaged in any of the following industries, viz.:—Agriculture, grazing, so far only as such industries or any of them are concerned," be added to the clause.—(*Mr. McColl.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wheeler.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Staughton.

Noes, 29.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Lazarus.

And so it passed in the negative.

## THURSDAY (MORNING), 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

## No. 2.—New clause A.

An action for the recovery of damages under this Act for an injury shall not be maintainable unless notice in writing that injury has been sustained is given within Limit of time for recovery of compensation three months and the action is commenced within six months from the occurrence of the accident causing the injury, or in case of death within twelve months from the time of death. Provided always that in case of death the want of such notice shall be no bar to the maintenance of such action if the judge shall be of opinion that there was reasonable excuse for such want of notice.—(*Mr. Harper.*)

Question—That this clause be added to the Bill—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Staughton.
Mr. Grose,	
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Lazarus,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 20.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Sangster.

And so it passed in the negative.

## THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

No. 3.—*State Bank Bill.*—Clause 20.

(1) The Commissioners of Audit shall certify the total amount of principal money and interest respectively standing to the credit of the whole of the depositors in the Post Office Savings Bank on the thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and such amount is hereby transferred to the Commissioners. Commissioners of Audit to certify balances.

(12) "Upon" a resolution passed by such trustees at the written request of the Commissioners and upon the certificate of the Commissioners of Audit that it is absolutely necessary to do so for the purpose of enabling the Commissioners to provide money for the payment of the amount of depositors' money hereby transferred to the Commissioners or the depositors' money in the Savings Banks (as the case may be) and with the approval of the Governor in Council but not otherwise the Treasurer shall from time to time cause so many of the said bonds as may be necessary for that purpose to be sold under such regulations at such times and places on such conditions and in such manner as the Governor in Council may direct, and shall pay the net proceeds thereof to the Commissioners in part payment of the debt due to them as hereinbefore mentioned, or on account of such deposited moneys (as the case may be). Bonds to be sold.

—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "Upon," in line 5, be omitted.—(*Mr. Higgins.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 7.

Mr. Brake,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Craven,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Higgins.
Mr. A. W. H. White.	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 14.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 19TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*State Bank Bill*.—Clause 30.

(1) The Commissioners may from time to time make out and issue mortgage bonds which shall be in the form set out in the First Schedule to this Act or to the like effect. Commissioners may issue mortgage bonds.

(2) The total sum for which bonds may be so issued shall not at any time "exceed" by more than the sum of Twenty-five thousand pounds the whole amount of the money advanced by the Commissioners pursuant to this Division of this Act and from time to time unpaid to the Commissioners; nor shall the total sum for which mortgage bonds may be issued at any time exceed Two million pounds except as hereafter provided.

—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That all the words in sub-section (2) after the word "exceed," in line 5, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "the sum of Two million pounds, but the Commissioners are hereby empowered to borrow from the Savings Bank Department, in such amounts as may from time to time be required, a sum not exceeding in the whole Fifty thousand pounds; and all such amounts shall be utilized for the discounting or cashing of bonds issued by way of advance, upon such terms not exceeding One-quarter per cent. as the Commissioners may determine."—(*Mr. Cook.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 13.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Beazley,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 2.—Clause 38.

(1) In order to assist farmers graziers market gardeners or persons employed in agricultural horticultural viticultural or pastoral pursuits, the Commissioners if they think fit may make advances either by instalments or otherwise upon the security of any agricultural horticultural viticultural or pastoral land held by any such person—

(a) in fee simple ; or

(b) under a lease from the Crown in which the rent reserved is taken by the Crown in part payment of the purchase money of the land demised by such lease.

“(2) Such advances may be made either in cash or mortgage bonds at par face value at the option of the Commissioners.”—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following paragraph be added to sub-section (1) :—

“(c) under a perpetual lease granted by the Crown under the *Mallee Lands Act 1896.*”  
—(*Mr. Higgins.*)

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be added be so added—put.  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 21.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Longmore,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Cook.

## Noes, 51.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McColl,	
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. McLellan,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Lazarus,  
Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That sub-section (2) of the clause be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following sub-section :—

“(2) All advances shall be made in mortgage bonds at par face value.”—(*Mr. Cook.*)

Question—That sub-section (2) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 41.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McColl,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Lazarus,  
Mr. Moule.

## Noes, 28.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McArthur,	

*Tellers.*

Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Prendergast.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 4.—Clause 39.

(1) The amount of the advance which may be so made on any such land shall not exceed in the case of land held in fee simple or under lease as aforesaid "two-thirds" of the actual value of such land at the time of the advance. Limit on amount of advance.

—(Mr. G. Turner.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "two-thirds," in line 3, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word "one-half."—(Mr. Higgins.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 75.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Harper,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Thomson,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Longmore,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Madden,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McArthur,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McColl,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Cook,	Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. McLellan,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Murray,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Prendergast,	
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Rawson,	Tellers.
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Russell,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 3.

Mr. Lazarus.

Tellers.

Mr. Higgins,  
Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## No. 5.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words "for five years from the passing of this Act and there- after one-half" be inserted after the word "two-thirds," in line 3.—(Mr. Harper.)

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

Ayes, 19.

Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Irvine,	Tellers.
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Lazarus.
Mr. McKenzie,	

Noes, 60.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	Tellers.
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Austin,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Beazley.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 18th NOVEMBER, 1896.

No. 6.—Clause 41.

(1) Every such advance with interest thereon at the rate of Four pounds "and ten shillings" per centum per "annum" shall be repaid to the Commissioners by seventy-three half-yearly payments (all being of an equal amount except the last) or such lesser number as the Commissioners and the borrower may in each case agree upon.

Repayment of  
advances by  
half-yearly  
payments.

—(Mr. G. Turner.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "and ten shillings," in lines 1 and 2, be omitted.—(Mr. Longmore.)  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 48.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Zox.

Tellers.

Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Moule.
Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. McLan,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 7.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words "when such advance is reduced to or does not exceed Fifty per centum of the valuation Four per centum per annum only shall be charged" be inserted after the word "annum," in line 2.—(Mr. Brake.)

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

Ayes, 5.

Mr. Barrett,	Tellers.
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Higgins,
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 60.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Madden,	Tellers.
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 8.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “or such other rate as may be determined” be inserted after the word “annum,” in line 2.—(Mr. Cook.)

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

Ayes, 7.

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| Mr. Brake,           |               |
| Mr. Longmore,        |               |
| Mr. Prendergast,     | Mr. Cook,     |
| Mr. R. Murray Smith, | Mr. Sangster. |
| Mr. A. W. H. White.  |               |

*Tellers.*

Noes, 58.

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| Mr. A. Anderson,     | Mr. McColl,       |
| Mr. J. Anderson,     | Mr. McGregor,     |
| Mr. W. Anderson,     | Mr. McKenzie,     |
| Mr. Barrett,         | Mr. McLellan,     |
| Mr. Beazley,         | Mr. McLeod,       |
| Mr. Bennett,         | Mr. Moule,        |
| Mr. Bowser,          | Mr. Murphy,       |
| Mr. Burton,          | Mr. Murray,       |
| Mr. Cameron,         | Mr. O'Neill,      |
| Mr. Carter,          | Mr. Outtrim,      |
| Mr. Chirnside,       | Mr. Peacock,      |
| Mr. Deakin,          | Mr. Russell,      |
| Mr. Duffus,          | Mr. Salmon,       |
| Mr. Duggan,          | Mr. Shiels,       |
| Mr. Dyer,            | Mr. Staughton,    |
| Mr. Foster,          | Mr. Sterry,       |
| Mr. Grattan,         | Mr. Styles,       |
| Mr. Gray,            | Mr. Taverner,     |
| Mr. Grose,           | Mr. A. L. Tucker, |
| Mr. Gurr,            | Mr. J. B. Tucker, |
| Mr. Hamilton,        | Mr. G. Turner,    |
| Mr. Harper,          | Mr. Webb,         |
| Mr. Higgins,         | Mr. Wheeler,      |
| Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, | Mr. J. S. White,  |
| Mr. John A. Isaacs,  | Mr. Wilkins,      |
| Mr. Kennedy,         | Mr. Zox.          |
| Mr. Langdon,         |                   |
| Mr. Levien,          |                   |
| Mr. Madden,          |                   |
| Mr. McArthur,        |                   |

*Tellers.*

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| Mr. Austin,  |
| Mr. Lazarus. |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 9.—New clause A.

The accounts of Friendly “Societies” in the Savings Bank may be drawn upon by cheque in such form and subject to such conditions as the bank may direct.—(Mr. Beazley.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “and Trade Unions” be inserted after the word “Societies,” in line 1.—(Mr. Prendergast.)

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

Ayes, 23.

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| Mr. Barrett,        | Mr. McGregor,     |
| Mr. Beazley,        | Mr. Outtrim,      |
| Mr. Burton,         | Mr. Sangster,     |
| Mr. Cook,           | Mr. Sterry,       |
| Mr. Craven,         | Mr. Styles,       |
| Mr. Gray,           | Mr. J. B. Tucker, |
| Mr. Hamilton,       | Mr. Vale,         |
| Mr. Hancock,        | Mr. Wilkins.      |
| Mr. Higgins,        |                   |
| Mr. John A. Isaacs, |                   |
| Mr. Kerr,           |                   |
| Mr. Longmore,       |                   |
| Mr. McColl,         |                   |

*Tellers.*

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| Mr. Murray,      |
| Mr. Prendergast. |

Noes, 43.

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| Mr. A. Anderson,     | Mr. McLeod,          |
| Mr. J. Anderson,     | Mr. Moule,           |
| Mr. W. Anderson,     | Mr. Murphy,          |
| Mr. Bowser,          | Mr. O'Neill,         |
| Mr. Brake,           | Mr. Peacock,         |
| Mr. Cameron,         | Mr. Russell,         |
| Mr. Carter,          | Mr. Salmon,          |
| Mr. Chirnside,       | Mr. Shiels,          |
| Mr. Duffus,          | Mr. R. Murray Smith, |
| Mr. Duggan,          | Mr. Staughton,       |
| Mr. Dyer,            | Mr. Taverner,        |
| Mr. Foster,          | Mr. A. L. Tucker,    |
| Mr. Grattan,         | Mr. G. Turner,       |
| Mr. Grose,           | Mr. Webb,            |
| Mr. Gurr,            | Mr. Wheeler,         |
| Mr. Irvine,          | Mr. A. W. H. White,  |
| Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs, | Mr. J. S. White,     |
| Mr. Kirton,          | Mr. Zox.             |
| Mr. Langdon,         |                      |
| Mr. Madden,          |                      |
| Mr. McArthur,        |                      |
| Mr. McKenzie,        |                      |
| Mr. McLellan,        |                      |

*Tellers.*

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| Mr. Austin,  |
| Mr. Lazarus. |

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 15.

## DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 26TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Justices Act 1890 Amendment Bill.*—Clause 4.

(1) Where in any Act of Parliament now or hereafter to be in force jurisdiction is given to one or more justices to do any act or exercise any power, then any court of petty sessions may do such act or exercise such power, and shall as from the commencement of such Act be deemed to have had jurisdiction to do such act or exercise such power.

“(2)” This section shall not affect any question in any case in which proceedings by way of appeal or order to review were pending on the eleventh day of November One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.—(*Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs.*)

Amendment proposed—That the figure “(2),” in line 5, be omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That the figure proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 48.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. McGregor,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Lazarus.

Noes, 13.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Webb.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Prendergast.
Mr. Sangster,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 16.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 4TH DECEMBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Mines Acts Amendment Bill.*—Clause 23.

For section fifty-four of the Principal Act the following section shall be substituted  
namely :—

54. (1) In the case of a gold mining lease the term for which the same may be granted shall not exceed fifteen years from the time of granting the same, and the yearly rent to be payable in respect thereof shall be Five shillings for every acre "demised."

(2) In the case of a mineral lease the extent of the area thereof shall not exceed six hundred and forty acres and the term for which the same may be granted shall not exceed fifteen years from the time of granting the same, and the yearly rent to be payable in respect thereof shall be at such rate not being less than One shilling nor more than Five pounds for every acre demised, and so on in proportion for any less quantity, as the Minister may determine.—(*Mr. Foster.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "The extent of the area of any such lease shall not exceed thirty acres for quartz mining" be inserted after the word "demised," in line 5.—(*Mr. McCay.*)

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

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Hancock,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Bromley,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. McCay.

Noes, 50.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirside,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 2.—Clause 49.

Every Mining Board in addition to all other powers and duties which exist Powers and duties of Mining Board.  
by law shall have the following powers and duties, that is to say, to—

- (a) advise and report to the Minister with respect to the codification of by-laws ;
- “(b) inquire into and report to the Minister upon all applications for assistance from the Government towards searching for gold or minerals ;”
- (c) advise as to the localities in which searching by means of boring or otherwise in search of alluvial leads quartz reefs coal seams and other metalliferous or mineral deposits might be carried out ;
- (d) advise in regard to such applications for sale or leasing of Crown lands under the Land Acts as may from time to time be remitted to the Board by the Minister ;
- “(e) report to the Minister as to any breaches of covenants of any mining leases ;”
- (f) make such proposals to the Minister as it may think advisable for the purpose of stimulating and encouraging mining and aiding in its development throughout “Victoria ;” and
- (g) generally advise as to any matters whatever connected with mining.

—(Mr. Foster.)

Motion made and question put—That paragraph (b) stand part of the clause.—(Mr. Foster.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 57.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirside,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Beazley,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Cook.

Noes, 8.

Mr. Hancock,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Webb,	Mr. McColl.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—

Motion made and question put—That paragraph (e) stand part of the clause.—(*Mr. Foster.*)  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 51.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. McCay,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Cook.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 14.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. A. W. H. White.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. McColl,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

No. 4.—Amendment proposed—That the words “ particularly as to track-cutting ” be inserted after the word “ Victoria, ” in paragraph (f).—(*Mr. Craven.*)

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

Ayes, 8.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie.
Mr. Harper,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Craven,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Langdon.

Noes, 57.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Longmore,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. McCay.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1896.

## No. 5.—Clause 119.

(1) The general rules set forth in the "Fourth Schedule" to this Act and any <sup>General rules.</sup> general rules amending the same which may be made by the Governor in Council for the regulation government or protection of mines and the persons employed therein or resorting thereto or visiting the same shall so far as may be reasonably practicable be observed in every mine and subject to this section shall have the like force and effect as if the same had been enacted in and were part of this Division of this Act.

(2) All general rules made pursuant to this section shall be laid before both <sup>To be laid</sup> Houses of Parliament within twenty-one days after the same shall have been made or <sup>before Parlia-</sup> if Parliament be not then sitting within twenty-one days after the commencement of <sup>ment &c.</sup> the next ensuing session thereof; and if an address be presented to the Governor by either House of Parliament within the next subsequent twenty-one days on which the said House shall have sat praying that such rules or any portion thereof may be annulled the Governor shall thereupon by Order in Council annul such rules or portion thereof as the case may be, and the same 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.—(Mr. Foster.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "Fourth Schedule," in line 1, be omitted.—(Mr. McColl.)  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Best,	Mr. Kerr,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Cook.

Noes, 31.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McColl.

And so it passed in the negative.

## VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 17.

## DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 11TH DECEMBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Game Act 1890 Amendment Bill.*—Clause 9.

(1) Every gun or fowling-piece—

(a) having a barrel of a length exceeding “forty-two” inches in length, or  
 “(b) having a single barrel exceeding eight pounds avoirdupois in weight or having a double barrel exceeding fourteen pounds avoirdupois in weight, or”

Description of  
guns to be  
deemed swivel  
or punt guns.

(c) having a bore exceeding “eight” calibre, or

(d) being of a weight exceeding sixteen pounds avoirdupois, or

(e) having more than two barrels, or

(f) not being such a gun or fowling-piece as is habitually raised at arm’s length and fired without other support from the shoulder,

and every combination of more than two guns or fowling-pieces temporarily or permanently secured together—

shall be deemed and taken to be a swivel or punt gun within the meaning of the Game Acts.

(2) All swivel or punt guns shall be included among goods prohibited to be imported into Victoria as if they were enumerated or described in the table of prohibitions and restrictions in section forty-nine of the *Customs Act 1890*.(3) No firearms belonging to or used by Her Majesty or the naval or military forces of Victoria or the police force shall be deemed to be swivel or punt guns within the meaning of the Game Acts.—(*Mr. Best.*)Amendment proposed—“That the word “forty-two,” in line 2, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “forty-eight.”—(*Mr. Levien.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 54.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. O’Neill,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 20.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. J. S. White.
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Gurr,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Prendergast.

## No. 2.—

Motion made and question put—That paragraph (b) stand part of the clause.—(*Mr. Best.*)  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 56.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## Noes, 19.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Longmore,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Gurr,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. McColl.

## No. 3.—

Further amendment proposed—That the word “eight,” in paragraph (c), be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the word “six.”—(*Mr. McColl.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 55.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## Noes, 21.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Gurr,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Prendergast.

VICTORIA.  
 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 18.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 18TH DECEMBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Income Tax Bill*.—Clause 9.

(1) In sub-section (1) of section nine of the Principal Act after the words "except this Act" there shall be inserted the words "and all interest actually paid by the taxpayer for or in respect of the year immediately preceding the year of assessment upon money borrowed and actually used or invested in Victoria and all sums paid by way of commission for collecting income 'and all calls paid into any mining company under Part II. of the *Companies Act* 1890 carrying on mining operations in Victoria.'" Amendment of section 9 of No. 1374.

(2) In paragraph (a) of sub-section (2) of section nine of the Principal Act for the words "purposes; or" there shall be substituted the words "purposes; or beyond such sum as the Commissioner thinks reasonable for repairs for the three years immediately preceding the year of assessment except such of the said years for which a deduction has previously been allowed for repairs; or."—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words and figures "and all calls paid into any mining company under Part II. of the *Companies Act* 1890 carrying on mining operations in Victoria," in lines 5 and 6, be omitted.—(*Mr. Fink.*)

Question—That the words and figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
 Committee divided.

Ayes, 52.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Longmore,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hancock,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 18.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Murray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Clause 19.

(1) Every company society association and institution and every public or municipal trust body or corporation in Victoria which pays interest upon or in respect of any debentures or bonds shall for the purposes of the *Income Tax Acts* be deemed to be the agent of every holder of such debentures or bonds and before paying or crediting such Debentures &c. of company.

interest to or for any person shall on behalf of the person entitled to receive such interest pay to the Commissioner income tax calculated on the amount of such interest, and may deduct from such interest payable to such person the amount of income tax thereon. Provided however that if any such holder claims to be exempt from taxation in respect of such interest and makes application to the Commissioner in such form as may be prescribed the Commissioner may certify pursuant to the provisions of the Principal Act for a refund of the amount of tax which has been paid on such interest.

(2) "Nothing" in this section shall authorize or require the payment of income tax in respect of interest accruing to any person not residing in Victoria from any stock debentures or bonds issued by any public or municipal trust body or corporation pursuant to any Act of the Parliament of Victoria.—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "Nothing," in line 12, be omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 65.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Lazarus,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 11.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.
Mr. Cameron,	
Mr. Gray,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hancock,	
Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Hamilton,
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Prendergast.

WEDNESDAY (MORNING), 16TH DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 3.—*Rupanyup to Banyena Railway Construction Bill.*—Clause 5.

The expenditure for the construction of the said line of railway shall not exceed One thousand and "seven" hundred pounds per mile, and such line shall be constructed on the butty-gang system.—(*Mr. H. R. Williams.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "seven," in line 2, be omitted.—(*Mr. H. R. Williams.*)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Murray.

Noes, 26.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.

And the numbers being equal, the Deputy-Chairman (Mr. Wilkins) said—I give my casting vote with the Noes.

And so it passed in the negative.



No. 4.—*Government Stock Redemption Bill*.—Clause 3.

One capital or joint stock to be called and known as "Victorian Government Stock erected. Three per cent. Stock" shall be and the same is hereby "erected," and the nominal amount thereof until otherwise provided by Parliament shall be Two millions two hundred and ninety thousand four hundred and eighty-one pounds and eighteen shillings.—(*Mr. G. Turner*.)  
Amendment proposed—That the words "but this does not apply to municipal sinking funds" be inserted after the word "erected," in line 2.—(*Mr. T. Smith*.)

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

Committee divided.

## Ayes, 17.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. S. White.
Mr. Grose,	
Mr. Kerr,	
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Murray,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Russell,	Mr. Murphy.

## Noes, 29.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McCay,	
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Gurr,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Hamilton.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1896.No. 5.—*Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895 Amendment Bill*.—Clause 2.

Section two of the *Railways Commissioners' Superannuation Act 1895* shall be read and construed as from the time of the commencement thereof as if for the words "Four hundred and forty-eight pounds seventeen shillings and ninepence" there were substituted the words "Five hundred and ninety-one pounds four shillings and sevenpence," and as if for the words "Four hundred and ninety-seven pounds fifteen shillings and sevenpence" there were substituted the words "Five hundred and eighty-six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence."—(*Mr. G. Turner*.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "Four hundred and forty-eight pounds seventeen shillings and ninepence" there were substituted the words "Five hundred and ninety-one pounds four shillings and sevenpence," and as if for the words, "in lines 3 to 5, be omitted."—(*Mr. Murray*.)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

## Ayes, 46.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Baker,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Best,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Duffus,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. J. S. White,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. McKenzie,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McLean,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. McLellan,	Mr. Salmon.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## Noes, 23.

Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Beazley,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Cook.

VICTORIA.  
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1896.

No. 19.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 24TH DECEMBER, 1896.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 1.—*Public Service Retrenchment Act 1893 Continuation Bill.*—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything contained in section one of the *Public Service Retrenchment Act 1893* the said Act shall continue in force—

(a) so far as regards each officer whose rate of pay per annum exceeds Two hundred pounds, until the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and no longer ;

(b) so far as regards each officer whose rate of pay per annum exceeds One hundred and fifty-seven pounds and does not exceed Two hundred pounds, until the thirtieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight and no longer ; and

“(c) so far as regards each officer whose rate of pay per annum does not exceed One hundred and fifty-seven pounds, until the *thirty-first* day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and no longer.”—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That paragraph (c) be omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That paragraph (c) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 59.

Mr. A. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McLellan,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Harper,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Harris,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Webb,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. A. W. H. White,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. H. R. Williams,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Zox.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Lazarus,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McCay,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 19.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Longmore,	
Mr. Murray,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Rogers,	Mr. Prendergast.
Mr. Sangster,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—*Municipal Endowment Ratification Bill*.—Clause 1.

This Act may be cited as the *Municipal Endowment "Ratification" Act 1896*, Short title and construction. and shall be read as one Act with the Local Government Acts, and such Acts and this Act may be cited together as the Local Government Acts.—(*Mr. G. Turner.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "*Ratification*," in line 1, be omitted.—(*Mr. Madden.*)  
Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 42.		Noes, 33.	
Mr. Baker,	Mr. McArthur,	Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McCay,	Mr. W. Anderson,	Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McColl,	Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Russell,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLellan,	Sir Graham Berry,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Cook,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Staughton,	Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Taverner,	Mr. Hancock,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. G. Turner,	Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,	Mr. Longmore,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Webb,	Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. W. H. White,	Mr. McGregor,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Harper,	Mr. E. D. Williams,	Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams,	Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. Zox.	Mr. Murray,	Mr. Salmon.
Mr. Kennedy,			
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. John A. Isaacs,		
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Lazarus.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1896.

No. 3.—*Supply*.—*Estimates for 1896-7*.

Motion made—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1896-7 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

**X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.**

DIVISION No. 67.	£	£
POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES,		
* * * * *		
Total Division No. 67 ... ..	349,665	
The sum of ... ..	...	200,965

—(*Mr. Gavan Duffy.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to this vote :—" And in the opinion of the Committee the Government should pay James Fisher, Postmaster at Geelong, the amount of his claim."—(*Mr. Gurr.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the words and figures "and, further, that the sum of £665 provided for the Comptroller of Stamps be reduced by £1" be added to the proposed amendment.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That the words and figures proposed to be added to the proposed amendment be so added—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.		Noes, 23.	
Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. Prendergast,	Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Brake,	Mr. Styles,	Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Thomson,	Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,	Mr. Dyer,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. Wilkins.	Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hamilton,		Mr. Harper,	Mr. H. R. Williams
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Harris,	
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lazarus,	Mr. Cook.	Mr. Madden,	
		Mr. McArthur,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
		Mr. McCay,	Mr. A. W. H. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—

**X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.**

						£	£
DIVISION No. 70.							
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Total Division No. 70 ... ..						430	
The sum of ... ..						...	230

—(Mr. Gavan Duffy.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be added to this vote:—“And in the opinion of the Committee it is desirable that a Parliamentary Board should be appointed to inquire into the system and working of the Postal, Telegraphic, and Telephone Departments.”—(Mr. Bromley.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

Mr. J. Anderson,  
Mr. Barrett,  
Mr. Beazley,  
Mr. Bromley,  
Mr. Hamilton,  
Mr. Rogers,  
Mr. Sangster,

Mr. Styles,  
Mr. J. B. Tucker.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Cook,  
Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 33.

Mr. Baker,  
Mr. Bennett,  
Mr. Best,  
Mr. Bowser,  
Mr. Brake,  
Mr. Gavan Duffy,  
Mr. Duggan,  
Mr. Dyer,  
Mr. Graham,  
Mr. Grattan,  
Mr. Gurr,  
Mr. Harper,  
Mr. Harris,  
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,  
Mr. John A. Isaacs,  
Mr. Kennedy,  
Mr. Madden,  
Mr. McCay,

Sir John McIntyre,  
Mr. McLean,  
Mr. Murphy,  
Mr. O'Neill,  
Mr. Outtrim,  
Mr. Peacock,  
Mr. Taverner,  
Mr. Thomson,  
Mr. G. Turner,  
Mr. G. J. Turner,  
Mr. Wheeler,  
Mr. Wilkins,  
Mr. H. R. Williams.

*Tellers.*

Mr. Lazarus,  
Mr. A. W. H. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY (MORNING), 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1896.No. 5.—*Appropriation Bill.*—Second Schedule, Part II.

Number.	Classification							£	£
		<b>X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.</b>							
		DIVISION No. 67.							
		POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.							
1	1	Accountant; also Comptroller of Stamps under Stamps Acts 1140 and 1274 ... ..						“665”	
		Total Division No. 67 ... ..						...	349,665

—(Mr. G. Turner.)

Amendment proposed and question put—That the sum of “£665” be reduced by £1—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Brake,	
Mr. Bromley,	
Mr. Sangster,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Styles,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. J. B. Tucker,	Mr. Prendergast.

Noes, 33.

Mr. J. Anderson,	Mr. McCay,
Mr. Baker,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Barrett,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. G. Turner,
Mr. Grattan,	Mr. G. J. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Harper,	
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Harris,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. A. W. H. White.

And so it passed in the negative.



