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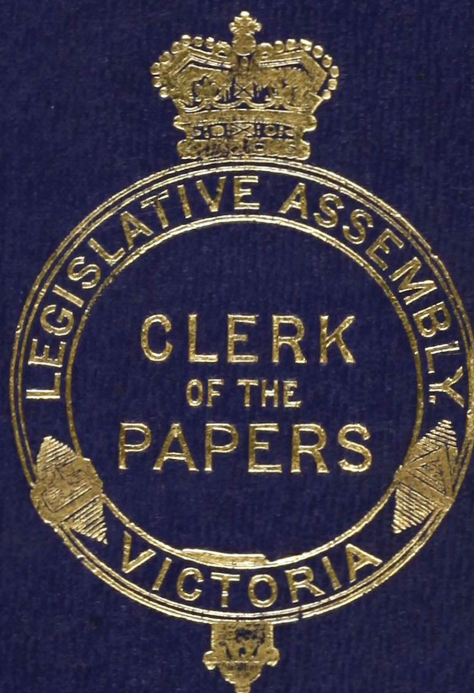
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ANZAC DAY: Bill to constitute Anzac Day a public and bank holiday and for other purposes—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 July, 1925, p. 14; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 8 Sept., p. 39; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 23 Sept., p. 46; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, 13 Oct., p. 57; Bill read the third time and a further amendment made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Oct., p. 58; the Council's agreement notified, 29 Oct., p. 66. (*Assented to 2 November, 1925. Act No. 3407.*)

APPRENTICESHIP: Bill to amend the law relating to apprenticeship and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 11 Aug., p. 25; debate resumed and adjourned, 10 Sept., p. 41; debate continued—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 23 Sept., p. 46; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, 10 Nov., p. 69; read the third time and further amendments made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Nov., pp. 72-4.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

APPROPRIATION: Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1926, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 23 Dec., 1925, p. 114; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., p. 118; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 119. (*Assented to 5 January, 1926. Act No. 3441.*)

ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section Seven of the Architects Registration Act 1922*"—(*Mr. Mackrell*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 19 Aug., 1925, p. 29; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 26 Nov., p. 79; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 Dec., p. 111.

BLACK ROCK TO BEAUMARIS ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY: Bill to further amend the *Black Rock to Beaumaris Electric Street Railway Act 1920*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 22 Dec., 1925, p. 110.—Bill lapsed.

CENSORSHIP OF FILMS: Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision for the Censoring of Cinematograph Films and with respect to the Exhibition of such Films and for other purposes*"—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Brought from

the Legislative Council and read a first time, 6 Oct., 1925, p. 52; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 2 Dec., p. 84.—Bill lapsed.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT: Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Downward*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 36) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 8 Dec., 1925, pp. 89-90; debate resumed and adjourned, 10 Dec., p. 96; debate continued—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 16 Dec., p. 100; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amendments made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Dec., p. 101; amendments in the Bill suggested by the Council, 18 Dec., p. 103; suggested amendments made, 19 Dec., p. 107; the Council's agreement to the Bill (including the amendments made by the Assembly which were suggested by the Council) notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3422.*)

COMPANIES: Bill to amend the law relating to companies—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 42) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, p. 94; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 15 Dec., p. 100.

COMPULSORY VOTING (ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS): Bill to provide for compulsory voting at elections for the Legislative Assembly—(*Mr. Cotter*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 13; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 29 Oct., p. 66.—Bill lapsed.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 1): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £2,746,447 to the service of the year 1925-26—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 8 July, 1925, p. 9; the Council's agreement notified, 14 July, p. 11. (*Assented to 9 July, 1925. Act No. 3391.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 2): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £644,219 to the service of the year 1924-25—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 July, 1925, p. 20; the Council's agreement notified, 11 Aug., p. 23. (*Assented to 27 July, 1925. Act No. 3392.*)

- CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 3):** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £1,337,910 to the service of the year 1925-26—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 26 Aug., 1925, p. 34; the Council's agreement notified, 2 Sept., p. 36. (*Assented to 2 September, 1925. Act No. 3394.*)
- CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 4):** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £1,461,560 to the service of the year 1925-26—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 Sept., 1925, p. 49; the Council's agreement notified, 6 Oct., p. 51. (*Assented to 1 October, 1925. Act No. 3399.*)
- CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 5):** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £1,314,904 to the service of the year 1925-26—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Oct., 1925, p. 62; the Council's agreement notified, 28 Oct., p. 64. (*Assented to 2 November, 1925. Act No. 3405.*)
- CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 6):** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of £1,386,941 to the service of the year 1925-26—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 26 Nov., 1925, p. 79; the Council's agreement notified, 2 Dec., p. 83. (*Assented to 2 December, 1925. Act No. 3410.*)
- CONVEYANCING:** Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to Presumptions of Survivorship in regard to Claims to Property*"—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 17 Nov., 1925, p. 71; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 26 Nov., p. 79. (*Assented to 2 December, 1925. Act No. 3409.*)
- COUNTRY ROADS:** Bill to make further provision with respect to main roads and developmental roads under the Country Roads Acts and to amend the said Acts—(*Mr. Allan*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 24) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 27 Oct., 1925, pp. 63-4; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 110; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3425.*)
- CRIMES:** Bill to amend the law relating to crimes and criminal offenders—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 26 Nov., p. 79; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.
- DAY BAKING:** Bill for the establishment of day baking in the State of Victoria—(*Mr. Solly for Mr. Brownbill*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Sept., 1925, p. 37.—Bill lapsed.
- DENTISTS REGISTRATION:** Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Registration as Dentists in Victoria of certain Classes of Persons registered or entitled to be registered as Dentists in the United Kingdom*"—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 19 Aug., 1925, p. 29; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.
- DIVORCE:** Bill to make separation a ground for divorce under the Marriage Acts—(*Mr. Farthing for Mr. Snowball*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12.—Bill lapsed.
- DRIED FRUITS:** Bill to amend the *Dried Fruits Act 1924* and for other purposes—(*Colonel Bouchier*).—Initiated and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1925, p. 84; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 46) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, 15 Dec., p. 98; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 105; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 111. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3418.*)
- ECHUCA LAND:** Bill relating to certain land in the Borough of Echuca permanently reserved from sale as a site for court house purposes and to the buildings thereon—(*Mr. Downward*).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 July, 1925, p. 13; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Aug., p. 28; the Council's agreement notified, 6 Oct., p. 52. (*Assented to 12 October, 1925. Act No. 3400.*)
- ELECTORAL DISTRICTS:** Bill relating to the redivision of the State of Victoria into electoral districts for the Legislative Assembly and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock for Dr. Argyle*).—Motion made, That he have leave to bring in the Bill; amendment proposed, That the words "and the Legislative Council" be inserted after the word "Assembly" in the title; question, on division, negatived; Bill initiated and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1925, p. 84; motion made, That this Bill be now read a second time; motion made, That the debate be now adjourned, and, after debate, motion, That the question be now put, on division, agreed to; question, That the debate be now adjourned, on division, negatived; Bill read a second time, on division, and committed, 3-4 Dec., pp. 85-7; considered in Committee, 9 Dec., p. 91.—Bill lapsed.
- FACTORIES AND SHOPS:** Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1915'*"—(*Mr. Wallace*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, p. 92.—Bill lapsed.
- FAIR RENTS:** Bill for the establishment of courts for the purpose of fixing fair rents for dwelling-houses—(*Mr. Murphy*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 8 Oct., p. 56.—Bill lapsed.
- FIRE BRIGADES:** Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board to borrow a further sum not exceeding £50,000—(*Mr. Allan for Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1925, p. 103; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 110; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3430.*)

- FISHERIES:** Bill to amend the Fisheries Acts—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 74; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and passed without amendment; read the third time; consideration of amendments after third reading made an Order of the Day for this day, 3 Dec., p. 85; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 4 Dec., p. 87; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 10 Dec., p. 96; amendment agreed to, 15 Dec., p. 100. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3415.*)
- FORESTS:** Bill to amend the Forests Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Mackrell*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 2) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 July, 1925, p. 5; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 14 July, p. 13; debate resumed and adjourned, 22 July, p. 21; 11 Aug., p. 25; debate continued—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 12 Aug., p. 25; further considered in Committee, 19 Aug., p. 29; 20 Aug., p. 29; 25 Aug., p. 31; 26 Aug., p. 32; 9 Sept., p. 41; 6 Oct., p. 52; order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.
- GAME:** Bill to amend the Game Acts—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 July, 1925, p. 14; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 July, p. 14; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and a further amendment made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Aug., pp. 25-6; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 16 Sept., p. 44; amendments considered; one agreed to with consequential amendments, the others agreed to, 22 Sept., p. 45; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's consequential amendments notified, 29 Sept., p. 47. (*Assented to 1 October, 1925. Act No. 3398.*)
- GEELONG GAS COMPANY:** Bill to further amend *The Geelong Gas Company's Act 1858*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 22 Dec., 1925, p. 110; order for second reading read; Bill ruled a private Bill; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders except those relating to the payment of fees be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—agreed to; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., p. 118; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 119. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3440.*)
- GEELONG (HARBOUR TRUST) LAND:** Bill to provide for the permanent reservation of certain land in the Parish of Corio, County of Grant, and for other purposes—(*Mr. Downward*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 26) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Nov., 1925, p. 69; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 26 Nov., p. 79; the Council's agreement notified, 4 Dec., p. 87. (*Assented to 7 December, 1925. Act No. 3412.*)
- GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS:** Bill to amend the Great Ocean Road Lands Acts—(*Mr. Allan for Mr. Downward*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 July, p. 14; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Aug., p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 26 Aug., p. 34. (*Assented to 31 August, 1925. Act No. 3393.*)
- HEALTH:** Bill intituled "An Act to amend Section Two hundred and forty-eight of the 'Health Act 1919'" —(*Dr. Argyle*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 28 Oct., 1925, p. 64; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.
- HORSE BREEDING:** Bill to amend the *Horse Breeding Act 1919* and for other purposes—(*Colonel Bourchier*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 10) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, 18 Aug., 1925, p. 27; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and motion made, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to and including the third reading—question resolved in the affirmative, and Bill read a first time; read a second time and committed; House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the compensation fee to be charged under the Bill; matter considered in Committee; resolution specifying the compensation fee to be charged under the Bill reported and agreed to; Bill considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time and an amendment made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 8 Sept., p. 39; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 6 Oct., p. 52; amendments agreed to, 27 Oct., p. 64. (*Assented to 2 November, 1925. Act No. 3406.*)
- INCOME TAX:** Bill to declare the rates of income tax for the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1926, and to continue the Income Tax Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, p. 95; read a second time, on division, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 15 Dec., p. 99; amendments in the Bill suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, 16 Dec., p. 100; suggested amendments not made, 17 Dec., p. 102; amendments in the Bill again suggested by the Council on the consideration of the Report of the Committee, 17 Dec., p. 102; suggested amendments still not made, 21 Dec., pp. 109-10; amendments in the Bill again suggested by the Council on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time; suggested amendments still not made, 23 Dec., pp. 111-2.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.
- INCOME TAX (BILL No. 2):** Bill to declare the rates of income tax for the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1926, and to continue the Income Tax Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., 1925, p. 117; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 118. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3436.*)
- JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY):** Bill to facilitate the enforcement in Victoria of judgments and awards in the superior courts of parts of His Majesty's

- Dominions outside the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of Australia, and to amend the Supreme Court Acts, and for other purposes—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 8 July, 1925, p. 5; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 14 July, p. 13; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 15 July, p. 14; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Sept., p. 44. (*Assented to 21 September, 1925. Act No. 3395.*)
- JUSTICES: Bill to make provision for a metropolitan court of petty sessions—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 7 Oct., 1925, p. 53; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 74; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 15 Dec., p. 100.
- LAND TAX: Bill to declare the rate of land tax for the year ending the 31st day of December, 1926, and to amend the Land Tax Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 47) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., 1925, p. 105; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 111. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3419.*)
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Acts*"—(*Mr. McDonald—Polwarth*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, p. 92; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 15 Dec., p. 100.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Bill relating to the rateability of certain land vested in the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—(*Mr. Farthing for Mr. Everard*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12.—Bill lapsed.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WERRIBEE RATING): Bill relating to the rateability of certain lands in the municipal district of Werribee used for sewage farm and other purposes—(*Mr. Hjorth*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion made, That this Bill be now read a second time; motion, That the debate be now adjourned, by leave, withdrawn; Bill read a second time and committed, 17 Sept., p. 44; considered in Committee, 8 Oct., p. 56.—Bill lapsed.
- MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT): Bill to facilitate the enforcement in Victoria of maintenance orders made in England and Northern Ireland and other parts of His Majesty's Dominions and Protectorates and *vice versa*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 July, p. 14; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Aug., p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Sept., p. 44. (*Assented to 21 September, 1925. Act No. 3397.*)
- MALLEE LAND ACCOUNT: Bill relating to the Mallee Land Account—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 38) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to; and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, pp. 92-3.—Bill lapsed.
- MALVERN LAND: Bill to provide for the revocation of the permanent reservation of certain land situate at Malvern and the permanent reservation of such land for municipal purposes and for the transfer to His Majesty of certain other land situate at Malvern now used for municipal purposes and the permanent reservation thereof for purposes of public recreation—(*Mr. Downward*).—Initiated and read a first time, 21 Oct., 1925, p. 60; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Nov., p. 71; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Dec., p. 92. (*Assented to 15 December, 1925. Act No. 3414.*)
- MEDICAL (DENTISTS): Bill to amend the *Medical Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Farthing for Mr. Snowball*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—question negatived, 17 Sept., p. 44.
- MEDICAL (DENTISTS) (BILL No. 2): Bill to amend Part II.—Dentists—of the *Medical Act 1915*—(*Mr. Cotter*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15.—Bill lapsed.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS: Bill to amend the law relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—(*Mr. McDonald—Polwarth*).—Initiated and read a first time, 7 Oct., 1925, p. 53; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 22 Dec., p. 110; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment, 22 Dec., p. 111; Bill recommitted in respect of clauses 8 and 10; considered in Committee and reported with further amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 111.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (FINANCES): Bill relating to the borrowing powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works and to superannuation and other benefits for officers of the said Board and other persons—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1925, p. 103; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3427.*)
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS: Bill to amend the *Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1918* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Jackson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15.—Bill lapsed.
- MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (BILL No. 2): Bill to increase the borrowing powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 Dec., 1925, p. 100; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 105; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3420.*)
- MELBOURNE HARBOUR TRUST: Bill to increase the borrowing powers of the Melbourne Harbour Trust Commissioners—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 Dec., 1925, p. 100; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 111; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3429.*)

- MENTAL DEFICIENCY:** Bill to make further and better provision for the care of feeble-minded and other mentally defective persons and for other purposes—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1925, p. 84; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 Dec., p. 111.
- METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION:** Bill to amend and to extend the operation of the *Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Act 1922*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 41) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, pp. 93-4; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 106; motion, That the Order of the House for transmitting the Bill to the Legislative Council be read and rescinded—agreed to; Order read and rescinded and further amendment made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment considered and agreed to with consequential amendments, 23 Dec., p. 115; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's consequential amendments on their amendment notified, 23 Dec., p. 117. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3435.*)
- MINISTRY OF HEALTH:** Bill relating to a Ministry of Health and for other purposes—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 23) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 27 Oct., 1925, p. 63, order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.
- MOTOR CAR:** Bill to amend the *Motor Car Act 1915* and Part II. of the *Highways and Vehicles Act 1924*—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 34) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1925, p. 84; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Dec., p. 107.—Bill lapsed.
- MOTOR OMNIBUS:** Bill to amend the *Motor Omnibus Act 1924* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 29) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 26 Nov., 1925, p. 77; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 3 Dec., p. 85; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., p. 117; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 119. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3439.*)
- MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT:** Bill relating to municipal endowment—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 39) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, p. 93; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3424.*)
- MUNICIPAL SINKING FUNDS:** Bill relating to municipal sinking funds—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 30) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 Dec., 1925, pp. 81-2; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3428.*)
- OPTICIANS REGISTRATION:** Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Registration of Opticians and for other purposes*"—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 20 Aug., 1925, p. 29; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 74; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 22 Dec., p. 111.
- OUT-OF-WORK ALLOWANCES:** Bill to provide for out-of-work allowances and for other purposes—(*Mr. Tunnecliffe*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12.—Bill lapsed.
- PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AND CIVIL SERVANTS):** Bill to allow railway employees and all civil servants to contest any parliamentary election without having to resign from the service—(*Mr. Brownbill*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—question, on division, negatived, 8 Oct., p. 56.
- PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTS:** Bill to amend the law relating to pharmaceutical chemists—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 28 Oct., p. 65; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.
- POISONS:** Bill to amend the Poisons Acts—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 July, p. 14; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 18 Aug., p. 28; read the third time and amendments made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Sept., p. 41; the Council's agreement notified, 6 Oct., p. 52. (*Assented to 12 October, 1925. Act No. 3401.*)
- POLICE OFFENCES:** Bill to amend the *Police Offences Act 1915*—(*Mr. Everard* for *Mr. Carlisle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15; motion made, That the debate be now adjourned, by leave, withdrawn; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 29 Oct., p. 66.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.
- POLICE OFFENCES (BILL No. 2):** Bill to further amend the *Police Offences Act 1915*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—

Initiated and read a first time, 7 Oct., 1925, p. 53; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 74; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.

POLICE OFFENCES (RACE MEETINGS): Bill to amend Division 11 of Part IV. of the *Police Offences Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 27 Oct., 1925, p. 64; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 74; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.

PRIMARY PRODUCTS ADVANCES: Bill to amend the Act providing for the making of advances to companies for the purposes of undertakings for dealing with certain primary products—(*Mr. Hogan*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12.—Bill lapsed.

PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for public works and other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 Dec., 1925, p. 100; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3423.*)

RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 Dec., 1925, p. 100; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 103; the Council's agreement notified, 19 Dec., p. 106. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3417.*)

RAILWAYS: Bill to amend the *Railways Act 1915*—(*Mr. Brownbill* for *Mr. Hayes*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 13.—Bill lapsed.

RAILWAYS (BILL NO. 2): Bill to make provision for the appointment of certain persons temporarily employed in the railway service to permanent offices therein—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Dec., 1925, p. 85; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 37) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, 10 Dec., p. 92; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Dec., p. 106; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to, and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 109; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment agreed to, 23 Dec., pp. 114-5. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3434.*)

REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES: Bill to make further provision with respect to the registration of vehicles and for other purposes—(*Mr. Allan*).—Initiated and read a first time, 1 Dec., 1925, p. 82; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 3 Dec., p. 85.—Bill lapsed.

RURAL BANK: Bill to provide for the establishment and carrying on of a rural bank department of the State Savings Bank of Victoria for the purpose of affording credit for promoting the settlement, cultivation,

and improvement of lands in country districts, and the marketing of the produce thereof, and to make provision for obtaining funds for carrying on the said department, and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 19) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 7 Oct., 1925, p. 53; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 1 Dec., p. 82; debate resumed and adjourned, 17 Dec., p. 102; 18 Dec., p. 103.—Bill lapsed.

SATURDAY VOTING (PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS): Bill to provide that all State parliamentary elections be held on a Saturday—(*Mr. Brownbill*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 13.—Bill lapsed.

SEWERAGE DISTRICTS: Bill to amend the Sewerage Districts Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Allan*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 48) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., 1925, p. 117; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment agreed to, 23 Dec., p. 118. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3437.*)

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS): Bill to amend section 6 of the *State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Act 1922*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 45) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 15 Dec., 1925, p. 98; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 115. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3432.*)

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE): Bill relating to the purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of a certain undertaking at Shepparton for the supply of electricity—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 5) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 21 July, 1925, pp. 17-18; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 18 Aug., p. 28.—Bill lapsed.

STATE SAVINGS BANK: Bill to amend the State Savings Bank Acts and to further amend the *Housing and Reclamation Act 1920*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 31) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 1 Dec., 1925, p. 82; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 1 Dec., p. 82.—Bill lapsed.

STOCK FOODS: Bill relating to stock foods—(*Colonel Bourchier*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15; motion, That this Bill be now read

a second time—debate adjourned, 20 Aug., p. 29; debate resumed and adjourned, 21 Oct., p. 60; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 28 Oct., p. 65; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, 4 Nov., p. 67; Bill read the third time and a further amendment made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Nov., p. 69.—Bill not returned from the Legislative Council.

STREET TRADING: Bill to regulate street trading in certain cases and for other purposes—(*Dr. Argyle*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 8 Sept., p. 40; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 19 Nov., p. 74; further considered in Committee, 25 Nov., p. 76; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; Bill read the third time and further amendments made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 Dec., p. 82; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 17 Dec., p. 102; amendments considered—some agreed to, some disagreed with but other amendments made, one agreed to with consequential amendments, and others agreed to with amendments, 18 Dec., p. 104; the Council's agreement to the amendments made by the Assembly on the amendments of the Council, and to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly, and not insisting on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly but agreeing to the amendments made by the Assembly notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3421.*)

SUPERANNUATION: Bill to make provision on a contributory basis for superannuation benefits for certain public officers and employees and benefits for certain of their dependants and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 8) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 Aug., 1925, p. 24; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 18 Aug., p. 27; debate resumed and adjourned, 1 Sept., p. 35; debate continued—Bill read a second time and committed, 2 Sept., p. 36; motion, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide for an optional table to permit female contributors; locomotive engine-drivers, firemen, and cleaners, railway signalmen, shunters, and guards; Penal Department warders; and other employees of the State following dangerous or disagreeable occupations to retire at either 60 or 65 years of age—debated and agreed to; motion, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to the interpretation of "Officer" to include in that interpretation temporary employees of not less than five years' service—agreed to; motion, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to alter the maximum age of retirement, with a view of providing alternative schemes, including a schedule for females—debated and agreed to; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee employed as a caretaker of a State school with not less than five years' service shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer"—agreed to; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the

Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee of any council of any State subsidized technical school with not less than five years' service shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer"—agreed to; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment of the interpretation of "Officer" to include in that interpretation certain persons on the staff of certain technical schools—agreed to; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee of the council of the Victorian Railways Institute shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer"—agreed to; motion, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee of the Melbourne Harbour Trust Commissioners with not less than five years' service shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer"—agreed to; Bill considered in Committee, 9 Sept., pp. 40-41; further considered in Committee; progress reported; the Chairman of Committees reported having ruled that a motion to insert the words "any temporary employee of not less than ten years' service" was out of order, and could not be moved after a motion to insert the words "any temporary employee of not less than five years' service" had been negatived; the Chairman's ruling disagreed with by Mr. Speaker; Bill further considered in Committee, 16 Sept., p. 44; 22 Sept., p. 45; 20 Oct., p. 59; 21 Oct., p. 60; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, 27 Oct., p. 64; Bill read the third time and further amendments made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 28 Oct., pp. 65-6; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment agreed to with a consequential amendment; the Council's agreement to the Assembly's consequential amendment notified, 18 Nov., p. 72. (*Assented to 24 November, 1925. Act No. 3408.*)

SUPREME COURT: Bill to further amend the *Supreme Court Act 1915*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 28 Oct., 1925, p. 65; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Nov., p. 74; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 15 Dec., p. 100.

TAMBO LAND: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain land in the Parish of Tambo as a site for camping, and affording access to water, and to provide for the temporary reservation of portion thereof for purposes of public recreation, and portion as a site for camping and affording access to water and for other purposes—(*Mr. Downward*).—Initiated and read a first time, 21 Oct., 1925, p. 60; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 17 Nov., p. 71; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Dec., p. 92. (*Assented to 15 December, 1925. Act No. 3413.*)

TEACHERS: Bill to amend the law relating to State schools and teachers—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 9) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 Aug., 1925, pp. 24-5; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 25 Nov., p. 76; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered

in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, and Bill read the third time; consideration of amendments after third reading made an Order of the Day for this day, 17 Dec., p. 102; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 103; the Council's agreement notified, 18 Dec., p. 103. (*Assented to 24 December, 1925. Act No. 3416.*)

THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT: Bill to provide for the amendment or variation of allowances under the Act of the Parliament of Victoria numbered 391 and for other purposes—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 14 July, 1925, p. 12; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 July, p. 14; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amended title, viz.:—“*A Bill to provide for the Amendment or Variation of Allowances under the Act of the Parliament of Victoria providing for the Abolition of State Aid to Religion and Numbered 391 and for other purposes*”: as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to, and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Aug., p. 27; the Council's agreement notified, 16 Sept., p. 44. (*Assented to 21 September, 1925. Act No. 3396.*)

TRUSTS (TRUSTEE COMPANIES): Bill relating to trustee companies and to amend the *Trusts Act 1915*—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Initiated and read a first time, 16 July, 1925, p. 15, order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 8 Dec., p. 90.

UNIVERSITY: Bill intitled “*An Act to amend Section Twenty-one of the University Act 1923*”—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1925, p. 83; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 3 Dec., p. 85. (*Assented to 7 December, 1925. Act No. 3411.*)

VICTORIAN LOAN: Bill to authorize the raising of money for irrigation works and water supply works, and for drainage and flood protection works in country districts, and for works under the River Murray Waters Acts, and for public works and other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 18) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 6 Oct., 1925, pp. 51-2; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Oct., p. 57; the Council's agreement notified, 20 Oct., p. 59. (*Assented to 26 October, 1925. Act No. 3403.*)

VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE): Bill to authorize the raising of money for sewerage works in country districts and to sanction the issue and application of such money—(*Mr. Allan*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 49) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 23 Dec., 1925, pp. 117-8; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 118. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3438.*)

VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION: Bill to authorize the raising of money for works and undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the issue

and application of such money—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 44) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 15 Dec., pp. 97-8; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Dec., p. 106; debate resumed and adjourned, 21 Dec., p. 109; debate continued—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 110; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 117. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3433.*)

VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) ACT 1924 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the schedule to the *Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 40) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 Dec., 1925, p. 93; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 110; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3431.*)

VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE): Bill to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the repayment of certain moneys to be advanced by banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the marketing of wheat of the seasons 1925-1926 to 1929-1930 inclusive, and for other purposes—(*Mr. Allan*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 14) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 2 Sept., 1925, p. 36; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 9 Sept., p. 40; amendment moved, That all the words after “*That*” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words “*The Bill be withdrawn with a view to the introduction of a Bill to provide for a compulsory wheat pool*”; amendment, on division, negatived; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, and with an amended title, viz.:—“*A Bill to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1926 to 1927-1928 inclusive, and for other purposes*”: as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to, 30 Sept., p. 50; Bill read the third time and further amendments made; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Oct., pp. 53-5; the Council's agreement notified, 20 Oct., p. 59. (*Assented to 26 October, 1925. Act No. 3402.*)

WARBURTON (LA LA EXTENSION) TO BIG PAT'S CREEK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek—(*Mr. Eggleston*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 33) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; resolution re-

ported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 2 Dec., 1925, p. 83; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 106; the Council's agreement notified, 23 Dec., p. 112. (*Assented to 31 December, 1925. Act No. 3426.*)

WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money

available under Loan Acts for irrigation works, water supply works, drainage and flood protection works in country districts, and for works under the River Murray Waters Acts, and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 7 Oct., 1925, p. 53; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Oct., p. 58; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Oct., p. 60. (*Assented to 26 October, 1925. Act No. 3404.*)

SESSION 1925.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Under Section 130 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, No. 2632, the Legislative Assembly consists of Sixty-five Members.

TWENTY-EIGHTH PARLIAMENT.

SECOND SESSION (8TH JULY TO 23RD DECEMBER, 1925).

Member.	District.	No. of Electors on Rolls.	No. of Electors who Voted.			Votes recorded for each Sitting Member.		Percentage of Electors who Voted.		
			Male.	Female.	Total.	First Preference Votes.	Final Result after Distribution of Votes under The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Allan, The Honorable John ¹ ..	Rodney ..	11,194	3,614	2,770	6,384	4,125	..	61·51	52·08	57·03
Allison, David, Esquire ..	Borong ..	7,856	2,203	1,559	3,762	1,901	..	51·22	43·85	47·89
Angus, The Honorable Henry ..	Gunbower ..	9,178	3,411	2,606	6,017	3,289	..	67·50	63·18	65·56
Argyle, The Honorable Dr. Stanley ² ..	Toorak ..	24,441	4,928	6,728	11,656	7,741	..	51·19	45·41	47·69
Bailey, The Honorable Henry Stephen ..	Port Fairy ..	7,313	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Baird, The Honorable Matthew ..	Ballaarat West ..	10,549	3,276	4,215	7,491	4,286	..	75·64	67·79	71·01
Barnes, The Honorable Samuel ..	Walhalla ..	7,797	2,726	1,451	4,177	2,219	..	58·04	46·81	53·57
Beardmore, The Honorable Henry ..	Benambra ..	6,700	2,164	1,490	3,654	2,713	..	59·57	48·58	54·54
Billson, The Honorable Alfred Arthur ³ ..	Ovens ..	4,880	1,861	1,701	3,562	1,986	..	75·80	70·14	72·99
Blackburn, Maurice McCrea, Esquire ⁴ ..	Fitzroy ..	12,460	3,709	3,634	7,343	4,395	..	64·83	53·92	58·93
Bond, Ernest Edward, Esquire ⁵ ..	Glenelg ..	9,765	3,780	3,543	7,323	4,066	..	76·92	73·04	74·99
Bouchier, Colonel The Honorable Murray William James, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D. ⁶ ..	Goulburn Valley ..	8,924	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Bowser, The Honorable John ⁷ ..	Wangaratta ..	7,165	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Brownbill, William, Esquire ⁸ ..	Geelong ..	15,405	5,392	5,785	11,177	6,197	..	75·58	69·94	72·55
Cain, The Honorable John ..	Jika Jika ..	41,548	12,031	10,920	22,951	14,927	..	61·64	49·57	55·24
Carlisle, The Honorable John Joseph ⁹ ..	Benalla ..	7,108	2,187	1,723	3,910	2,397	..	60·01	49·74	55·01
Clough, Luke James, Esquire ..	Bendigo East ..	8,204	2,541	3,016	5,557	3,327	..	70·14	65·84	67·74
Cook, Arthur Ernest, Esquire ..	Bendigo West ..	9,017	3,234	3,496	6,730	3,425	..	77·65	72·05	74·64
Cotter, Edmund John, Esquire ¹⁰ ..	Richmond ..	16,381	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Deany, James Davidson, Esquire ..	Warrnambool ..	9,410	3,338	3,073	6,411	3,188	..	71·40	64·90	68·13
Downward, The Honorable Alfred ¹¹ ..	Mornington ..	17,066	5,434	3,954	9,388	2,298	4,865	58·34	51·01	55·01
Dunstan, Albert Arthur, Esquire ..	Eaglehawk ..	5,861	1,726	1,583	3,309	2,747	..	60·58	52·56	56·46
Eggleston, The Honorable Frederic William ¹² ..	St. Kilda ..	35,932	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Everard, William Hugh, Esquire ¹³ ..	Evelyn ..	12,231	3,298	2,606	5,904	4,553	..	53·32	43·10	48·27
Farthing, Alfred Alexander, Esquire ¹⁴ ..	East Melbourne ..	10,938	2,872	2,819	5,691	2,542	2,826	53·29	50·80	52·03
Frost, George Clement, Esquire ..	Maryborough ..	6,360	2,422	2,304	4,726	3,207	..	78·15	70·65	74·31
Gordon, The Honorable John ..	Waranga ..	6,466	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Greenwood, Edmund Wilson, Esquire ¹⁵ ..	Boroondara ..	63,123	13,250	14,895	28,145	17,670	..	47·40	42·35	44·59

NOTES.

The particulars given in the above table relate to the General Election 1924; the date of each Member's election, when noted as "unopposed," being 12 June, 1924, the "day of nomination," and in other cases 26 June, 1924, the "day of polling." Where the Member's name is printed in *italic* the particulars relate to the elections held subsequent to the General Election 1924, and the date of such elections will be found in the following notes:—

- ¹ The Hon. J. Allan, Premier and Minister of Water Supply from 18 November, 1924.
- ² The Hon. Dr. S. S. Argyle, Chief Secretary, and Minister of Public Health (without salary) from 7 September, 1923, to 18 July and from 18 November, 1924.
- ³ The Hon. A. A. Billson, Chairman of Committees from 28 September, 1921.
- ⁴ Mr. M. M. Blackburn, elected 4 February, 1925, *vice* the Hon. J. W. Billson, deceased 23 December, 1924.
- ⁵ Mr. E. E. Bond, elected 14 August, 1924, *vice* Mr. W. E. Thomas, deceased 11 July, 1924.
- ⁶ Col. the Hon. M. W. J. Bouchier, Minister of Agriculture, and Minister of Markets (without salary) from 18 November, 1924.
- ⁷ The Hon. J. Bowser, Speaker from 30 April, 1924.
- ⁸ Mr. W. Brownbill, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 2 September, 1924.
- ⁹ The Hon. J. J. Carlisle, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 8 July, 1925.
- ¹⁰ Mr. E. J. Cotter, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 30 November, 1920.
- ¹¹ The Hon. A. Downward, President of the Board of Land and Works, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and Minister of Immigration (without salary) from 18 November, 1924.
- ¹² The Hon. F. W. Eggleston, Minister of Railways from 19 March to 18 July, 1924; a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works from 19 March to 18 July and from 18 November, 1924; Attorney-General, Solicitor-General (without salary), and Minister of Railways (without salary) from 18 November, 1924.
- ¹³ Mr. W. H. Everard, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 8 July, 1924.
- ¹⁴ Mr. A. A. Farthing, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 11 September, 1923.
- ¹⁵ Mr. E. W. Greenwood, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 30 November, 1920.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—continued.

Member.	District.	No. of Electors on Rolls.	No. of Electors who Voted.			Votes recorded for each Sitting Member.		Percentage of Electors who Voted.		
			Male.	Female.	Total.	First Preference Votes.	Final Result after Distribution of Votes under The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Groves, The Honorable Frank ..	Dandenong ..	19,505	5,599	4,494	10,093	5,227	..	57·12	46·32	51·75
Hayes, Thomas, Esquire ..	Melbourne ..	7,738	2,427	2,011	4,438	3,385	..	57·42	57·28	57·35
Hjorth, Ralph Theodore, Esquire ..	Bulla ..	11,810	4,208	3,162	7,370	3,301	3,695	67·77	56·45	62·40
Hogan, The Honorable Edmond John ..	Warrenheip ..	5,192	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Holland, John Joseph, Esquire ¹⁶ ..	Flemington ..	25,912	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Hughes, Arthur, Esquire ..	Grenville ..	4,256	1,639	1,573	3,212	1,735	..	77·90	73·09	75·47
Jackson, Arthur Richard, Esquire ..	Prahran ..	19,436	5,541	6,995	12,536	6,316	..	68·01	61·96	64·50
Jewell, James Roberts, Esquire ..	Brunswick ..	27,788	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Keane, Frank, Esquire ..	Essendon ..	37,039	11,352	11,225	22,577	12,375	..	65·79	56·74	60·95
Lawson, The Honorable Harry Sutherland Wightman	Castlemaine and Maldon	6,246	2,230	2,304	4,534	3,075	..	77·27	68·57	72·59
Lemmon, The Honorable John ..	Williamstown ..	24,058	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Lind, Albert Eli, Esquire ..	Gippsland East	6,134	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Mackrell, The Honorable Edwin Joseph ¹⁷	Upper Goulburn	7,760	3,218	2,437	5,655	1,889	3,257	76·53	68·55	72·87
McAdam, William James, Esquire ¹⁸ ..	Ballaarat East	9,756	3,349	3,974	7,323	3,403	3,617	77·88	72·84	75·06
McDonald, James, Esquire ..	Daylesford ..	6,185	2,637	2,483	5,120	2,668	..	86·97	78·75	82·78
McDonald, The Honorable James ¹⁹ ..	Polwarth ..	11,494	4,076	3,279	7,355	4,112	..	67·17	60·43	63·99
McLachlan, James Weir, Esquire ..	Gippsland North	9,543	3,389	3,097	6,486	4,533	..	69·89	65·98	67·97
McPherson, The Honorable Sir William Murray, K.B.E.	Hawthorn ..	32,143	8,730	10,478	19,208	9,576	..	64·52	56·29	59·76
Morley, Edward, Esquire ²⁰ ..	Barwon ..	12,355	3,780	3,587	7,367	5,086	..	62·77	56·64	59·63
Murphy, James Laurence, Esquire ..	Port Melbourne	15,435	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Old, The Honorable Francis Edward ..	Swan Hill ..	21,313	6,488	3,940	10,408	5,347	..	51·34	45·21	48·83
Oman, The Honorable David Swan ..	Hampden ..	11,573	3,632	2,782	6,414	3,860	..	60·32	50·11	55·42
Peacock, The Honorable Sir Alexander James, K.C.M.G. ²¹	Allandale ..	5,216	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Pennington, The Honorable John Warburton	Kara Kara ..	5,958	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Pollard, Reginald Thomas, Esquire ..	Dalhousie ..	6,704	2,755	2,747	5,502	2,232	2,857	83·69	80·51	82·07
Prendergast, The Honorable George Michael	North Melbourne	15,915	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Slater, The Honorable William ..	Dundas ..	8,256	3,294	2,798	6,092	3,282	..	77·27	70·07	73·79
Snowball, Oswald Robinson, Esquire ..	Brighton ..	30,536	7,845	8,804	16,649	10,692	..	57·22	52·32	54·52
Solly, Robert Henry, Esquire ²² ..	Carlton ..	11,767	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Toutcher, The Honorable Richard Frederick	Stawell and Ararat	7,910	3,012	2,873	5,885	3,331	..	77·01	71·84	74·40
Tunnecliffe, The Honorable Thomas ..	Collingwood ..	14,212	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Wallace, Arthur Knight, Esquire ..	Albert Park ..	20,431	5,862	6,212	12,074	7,262	..	62·91	55·90	59·10
Walter, Arthur Lewis Nathan, Esquire ..	Gippsland West	9,385	3,399	2,596	5,995	2,830	3,966	67·66	59·53	63·88
Warde, Edward Coughlan, Esquire ²³ ..	Flemington ..	23,713	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Weaver, Isaaq Job, Esquire ..	Korong ..	6,518	2,267	1,878	4,145	2,791	..	66·02	60·89	63·59
Webber, The Honorable Gordon Charles	Abbotsford ..	14,510	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
West, Walter, Esquire ..	Gippsland South	9,745	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Unopposed
Wettenhall, The Honorable Marcus Edwy	Lowan ..	10,470	3,840	3,170	7,010	2,959	3,877	70·25	63·35	66·95

¹⁶ Mr. J. J. Holland, elected 27 November, 1925, *vice* Mr. E. C. Warde, deceased 10 November, 1925.

¹⁷ The Hon. E. J. Mackrell, appointed a member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office, 18 November, 1924.

¹⁸ Mr. W. J. McAdam, elected by a majority of 8 votes at the General Election 1924, and by 4 votes on recount before the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, 21 October, 1924.

¹⁹ The Hon. J. McDonald (*Polwarth*), appointed a member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office, 18 November, 1924.

²⁰ Mr. E. Morley, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 19 December, 1924.

²¹ The Hon. Sir A. J. Peacock, Minister of Labour (without salary), from 4 November, 1920, to 18 July and from 18 November, 1924; Premier from 28 April to 18 July, 1924; Treasurer from 28 April to 18 July and from 18 November, 1924; Minister of Public Instruction (without salary) from 18 November, 1924.

²² Mr. R. H. Solly, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees from 7 October, 1913.

²³ Mr. E. C. Warde, deceased 10 November, 1925.

OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

The Speaker	The Honorable JOHN BOWSER.
The Chairman of Committees	The Honorable ALFRED ARTHUR BILLSON.
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly	WILLIAM ROBERT ALEXANDER, Esquire, J.P.
The Clerk-Assistant	THOMAS RAE GILCHRIST, Esquire.
Clerk of Committees and Serjeant-at-Arms	WILLIAM ROSS BARSTOW, Esquire, J.P.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1925.

1. The Legislative Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the fifteenth day of June, 1925, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

FURTHER PROROGUING PARLIAMENT AND FIXING THE TIME
FOR HOLDING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH
PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable GEORGE EDWARD JOHN MOWBRAY,
EARL OF STRADBROKE, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E., Aide-de-Camp to His
Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in
the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands prorogued until Tuesday, the sixteenth day of June, 1925: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Wednesday, the eighth day of July, 1925, and I do hereby fix Wednesday, the eighth day of July, 1925, aforesaid, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this fifteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and in the sixteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. ALLAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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 Legislative Council Chamber.

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

3. ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that, on Wednesday, 14th January last, he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Fitzroy, in the place of the Honorable John William Billson, deceased.
4. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Speaker also announced that he had received a return to the foregoing Writ, by which it appeared that Maurice McCrae Blackburn, barrister and solicitor, Florence-street, Essendon, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
5. MEMBER SWORN.—Maurice McCrae Blackburn, Esq., was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

6. DEATH OF THE HONORABLE JOHN WILLIAM BILLSON.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House expresses its sincere regret at the death of the Honorable John William Billson, who represented the Electoral District of Fitzroy continuously from 1st November, 1900, until his decease on 23rd December, 1924, and places on record its acknowledgment of the valuable services rendered by him to the State as a Member of this House, Minister of Railways, chairman and member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, and Deputy-Leader of the Opposition; and also its recognition of his great assistance to the Parliament when dealing with various important matters, and particularly in regard to industrial legislation (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after Mr. Speaker and other Honorable Members had addressed the House in support of the motion, Honorable Members rising in their places, unanimously agreed to in silence.
7. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant, nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Victoria numbered 4A, I do hereby nominate William Brownbill, Esquire, The Honorable John Joseph Carlisle, Edmund John Cotter, Esquire, William Hugh Everard, Esquire, Alfred Alexander Farthing, Esquire, Edmund Wilson Greenwood, Esquire, Edward Morley, Esquire, and Robert Henry Solly, Esquire, to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees whenever requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.

Given under my hand this eighth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

8. PETITION.—Mr. Tunnecliffe presented a Petition from certain electors of the State of Victoria praying that no action be taken by Parliament to the detriment of the Australian Herbalists' Association. Motion made and question—That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read (*Mr. Tunnecliffe*)—put and agreed to. The Petition was read by the Clerk. Ordered to lie on the Table.
9. PAPERS.—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Bendigo Sewerage Authority, &c.—Report of the Royal Commission respecting the; with Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
Mines.—Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1924.
Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the years 1922-23 and 1923-24.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
Dr. Argyle presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Aborigines.—Fifty-first Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
Police Commission.—Report of the Royal Commission on the Victorian Police Force; with Appendix.
Colonel Bourchier presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Bulk Handling of Wheat.—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Bulk Handling of Wheat in New South Wales and a Scheme for Victoria; with Appendices.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Returns were presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the following Departments during the period :—
From 1st July, 1923, to 30th June, 1924—
By Mr. Eggleston—From the Railway Department (State Coal Mine).
From 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1925—
By Sir Alexander Peacock—From the Department of Labour.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns—
For the quarter ended 30th September, 1924.
For the quarter ended 31st December, 1924.
For the quarter ended 31st March, 1925.
Bendigo Sewerage Authority.—Appointment of a Commission to inquire into matters concerning.
Bulk Handling of Wheat.—Order fixing the Maximum Expenditure of the Board to inquire into and report upon the System of Handling Wheat in Bulk in New South Wales.

- Companies Act 1915—
 Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Supreme Court, 1924.
 Summary of Statements for the year 1923 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
- Dairy Produce Act 1919.—Previous Regulations rescinded, new Consolidated Regulations made.
- Dried Fruits Act 1924.—Regulations—
 Election of Victorian Dried Fruits Board.
 Registration of Dried Fruit Dealers.
 Registration of Packing Sheds.
 Returns to be furnished by Packing Sheds.
 Returns of Stocks of Dried Fruits.
 Sale of Currants.
- Education Act 1915.—Regulation rescinded, Regulation substituted—Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.
- Education Acts and Public Service Act 1915.—Regulations rescinded, Regulations substituted.—Education Department—Regulations and Instructions, 1925.
- Explosives Act 1915—
 Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the Working of the Explosives Act during the year 1924.
 Class 3—Nitro-Compound, Divisions 1 and 2—
 Addition to Order in Council No. 6 of 12th October, 1909, relating to the Importation, &c., of Explosives.
 Addition to Order in Council No. 1 of 12th October, 1909, relating to the Classification of Explosives.
- Fire Brigades Act 1915.—Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for year ending 30th June, 1924; together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.
- Fruit Acts 1917 and 1923.—Fruit and Vegetable Packing Regulations 1925, and Repeal of previous Regulations.
- Hospitals and Charities Act 1922—
 Additional Regulation.—Register of Institutions and Benevolent Societies.
 Regulation rescinded, new Regulation substituted.—Nominations for Appointment to the Charities Board.
- Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1923.
- Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1924.—Regulations.
- Land Act 1915.—Particulars of Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.
- Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of Land for the purposes of the Education Acts—Certificates of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plans—
 Part of Crown Portion 41, at Richmond North, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke.
 Lots 31–39 inclusive, Block P, at Laverton, part of Crown Allotment 3, Section 3, Parish of Truganina, County of Bourke.
 Lots 40, 41, and 42, Block P, at Laverton, part of Crown Allotment 3, Section 3, Parish of Truganina, County of Bourke.
 Crown Allotments 2 and 17, Section 20, Borough of Wangaratta, Parish of Wangaratta North, County of Delatite.
- Legal Profession Practice Act 1915.—Council of Legal Education.—Rules and Alterations to Rules relating to Qualifications of Candidates to practise as Barristers and Solicitors, and Admission of such Candidates to practise.
- Marine Act 1915.—Marine Board of Victoria—
 Amendment of the Regulations relating to Pilots and Pilotage.
 Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1924.
- Melbourne Sailors' Home Act 1901.—Accounts and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Melbourne Sailors' Home for the year 1924.
- Mines Act 1915.—List of Suspensions granted of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences during the year 1924.
- Motor Omnibus Act 1924.—Regulations.
- Poisons Act 1915.—Amendment of Second Schedule—Articles deemed to be Poisons.
- Police Pensions Act 1923.—Police Pensions Regulations 1924.
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees for 1924, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1923–24.
- Public Service Acts—
 Copies of Papers in connexion with the Promotion of Officers—
 Burke, Cyril Wedderburn, from the Fourth to the Third Class, in the Department of Chief Secretary.
 Crawford, William Malcolm, from the Fourth to the Third Class, in the Department of Lands and Survey.
 Gray, William Henry, from the Second to the First Class, in the Department of Labour.
 Lewis, Fred, from the Third to the Second Class, in the Department of Chief Secretary.
 Pollock, Clarence James Edward, from the Fifth to the Fourth Class, in the Department of Lands and Survey.
 Stevens, Matthew Henry, from the First Class to Class 1A, in the Department of Labour.
 Thynne, John Thomas, from the Fifth to the Fourth Class, in the Department of Agriculture.

Regulations.—Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Chief Secretary (3 papers).

Department of Lands and Survey.

Department of Law (2 papers).

Department of Public Instruction (6 papers).

Departments of Chief Secretary and Lands and Survey.

Regulations.—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—

Department of Chief Secretary (3 papers).

Department of Labour.

Department of Law.

Department of Treasurer.

General, and Departments of Chief Secretary, Public Instruction, Law, Lands and Survey, Public Works, Mines, Public Health, Agriculture, Labour, and Treasurer.

Regulations.—Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—Part II.—Allowances to certain Officers—

Department of Mines.

Department of Public Instruction (3 papers).

Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act 1915.—Regulations—Lunacy Department.—Schedule repealed, new Schedule made.

Railways Classification Board Acts—

Copy of Award (No. 13), dated 19th December, 1924, made by the Railways Classification Board, for the year 1924.

Determination of the Railways Classification Board fixing Basic Rate of Wages for Railway Employees as from 1st January, 1925; together with Copy of the Report of the Railways Commissioners thereon.

Railways Standing Committee.—Thirty-fifth General Report.

Soldier Settlement.—Order fixing the Maximum Expenditure of the Royal Commission on.

State Electricity Commission Acts.—Regulations—

Amendment of Licensing of Electric Wiremen Rules 1921.

Protection of Works or Electric Lines, Prevention of Interference therewith, and Safety of Persons and Property.

Supreme Court Act 1923—

Rules of Procedure in Civil Proceedings and Divorce and Matrimonial Causes, and Probate and Administration Rules.—New Rules and Amendments.

Schedule of Fees.

Victorian Railways.—Reports of the Victorian Railways Commissioners—

For the quarter ended 31st December, 1924.

For the quarter ended 31st March, 1925.

Yarra Bend Reserve.—Appointment of Board of Inquiry as to the Future Use of the.

10. RAILWAYS STANDING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Solly, Chairman, brought up Reports from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the following questions :—

The construction of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway from Port Fairy to Macarthur; together with Minutes of Evidence, Book of Reference, and Plan.

Connecting the districts lying between the Ouyen to Mildura railway and the South Australian Border with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Connecting the districts of Corack, Granite Flat, and Wooroonook with the existing railway system by means of a railway or tramway; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Connecting the districts of Corryong, Towong, Tintaldra, and Walwa with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Connecting the districts lying west and south of Red Hill with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Connecting the district lying between Kulwin and the River Murray with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway; together with Minutes of Evidence.

Connecting the district lying between the Melbourne to Yarra Glen railway and the Melbourne to Hurstbridge railway with the existing railway system by means of a railway or tramway; together with Minutes of Evidence.

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

11. DUPLICATION OF RAILWAY LINES BETWEEN RICHMOND AND SOUTH YARRA, AND RICHMOND AND BURNLEY—

PURCHASE OF LAND FOR.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That there be laid before this House a Copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3368 (Purchase of Land for Duplication of Railway Lines between Richmond and South Yarra, and Richmond and Burnley); together with Minutes of Evidence (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.

12. PAPER.—Mr. Eggleston presented—

Duplication of Railway Lines between Richmond and South Yarra, and Richmond and Burnley—Purchase of Land for.—Return to the foregoing Order.

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

13. MELBOURNE YARD RE-ARRANGEMENT AND EXTENSION; ADJUSTMENT OF BOUNDARIES, RAILWAY DEPARTMENT AND MELBOURNE HARBOUR TRUST.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That there be laid before this House a Copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3368 (Melbourne Yard Re-arrangement and Extension; Adjustment of Boundaries, Railway Department and Melbourne Harbour Trust); together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.

- 14. PAPER.—Mr. Eggleston presented—
Melbourne Yard Re-arrangement and Extension ; Adjustment of Boundaries, Railway Department and Melbourne Harbour Trust.—Return to the foregoing Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report and Plan to be printed.
- 15. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to facilitate the Enforcement in Victoria of Judgments and Awards in the Superior Courts of Parts of His Majesty’s Dominions outside the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of Australia and to amend the Supreme Court Acts and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
- 16. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That Mr. Webber be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
- 17. COMMITTEES OF SUPPLY AND WAYS AND MEANS—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means to be appointed forthwith (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.
- 18. SUPPLY.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.
- 19. WAYS AND MEANS.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.
- 20. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—SUPPLY.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

1925.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1925-26.

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the months of July and August, in the year 1925-26, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 8th July, 1925.

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

- 21. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—FORESTS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Mackrell, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

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 to amend the Forests Acts and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 8th July, 1925.

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

- 22. FORESTS BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message No. 2.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Farthing reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Forests Acts and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Mackrell and Sir Alexander Peacock do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Mackrell then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Forests Acts and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

- 23. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR’S SPEECH.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had that 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, as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :
MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have summoned you to meet for the consideration of important public business, and to avail myself of your assistance regarding matters that will be submitted for your serious attention by my Advisers.

As, in the ordinary course of events, this will be the last time I shall have the privilege of calling together the representatives of the people of this State, I take the opportunity of saying farewell to you.

Although a sad domestic bereavement is associated with my sojourn here, I shall ever retain very kind memories of my term of office and of the generous support I have always received from the Government and people of Victoria.

It is with gratification that I have observed the progress made in the general welfare of all during the last four years. The population of the State has increased by 136,000, equalling 9 per cent. I am particularly pleased to note that the Savings Bank depositors have increased by over 250,000, and the deposits at the end of last year by £11,000,000, which shows the desire to provide for the future. As regards the land, nearly 1,700,000 additional acres have been brought under cultivation, half of which is under wheat.

The value of primary and manufactured products last year was £101,325,000.

I appreciate the satisfactory work that has been done to improve the physical and educational conditions of children from babyhood in order to enable them to make a good start in life.

I desire to express the hope that the country will be blessed with a year of abundant production, and a continuance of the prosperous seasons. My Advisers, recognizing the necessity for encouraging and increasing the output of primary products, have pursued and will continue to pursue the policy of assisting the producer and stimulating the development of rural industries.

The sound financial position of the State is very gratifying. This has only been made possible by the strictest economy in administration, consistent with the requirements of a developing community.

My Advisers are using every available means for extending and improving the markets for Victorian products.

A measure will be submitted for the establishment of a Voluntary Wheat Pool for five years with a guarantee of 75 per cent. by the State.

The Royal Commission on the development of the outer ports is still pursuing its inquiry.

The system of bulk handling of wheat is also the subject of investigation.

To assist primary producers proposals will be submitted for the establishment of a Rural Bank.

Measures are being prepared for the further control of the sale of stock foods, fertilizers, and pest destroyers, and relating to their composition and standardization.

My Advisers intend to concentrate their attention on the improvement of communication and transport, believing that this is essential for further progressive national development. The provision of a network of good roads is a very important feature of their policy.

With a view to giving effect to that policy they propose—

- (a) to carry out a systematic programme of expenditure on main and developmental roads over a period of five years, at a rate of approximately £1,000,000 a year.
- (b) to give assistance to municipalities not in a position to contribute ;
- (c) to expend funds granted by the Commonwealth Government towards the cost of arterial roads ; and
- (d) to provide additional revenue required for the maintenance of national highways.

The annual expenditure on road construction and maintenance out of loan moneys and revenue will be approximately £2,000,000 per annum.

The State Electricity Commission is now providing a considerable proportion of the community in both town and country with electric light and power. It is proposed to carry out the Sugarloaf scheme, which will enable further areas in the North-Eastern District to be supplied.

The briquettes manufactured by the Commission have proved so successful that a further extension of the briquetting factory will be considered.

My Advisers believe that motor transport will assist in the development of outlying districts, and they will introduce a Bill giving the Railways Commissioners power to use motor transport. Proposals will also be introduced to provide for safety at level crossings.

A Bill to establish a contributory Superannuation Scheme for Public Servants and Railway Officers will be laid before Parliament at an early date.

Redistribution of seats in the Legislative Assembly will receive the careful attention of my Advisers, and a Bill dealing with the subject will be introduced.

The water storages of the State are being rapidly increased. The present capacity is now well over 820,000 acre-feet, and this will within a few years be raised to nearly 2,000,000 acre-feet. The works under construction at present include—

The Eildon Weir, near Alexandra, and other extensions to the Goulburn Irrigation system ;

The Hume Reservoir, near Albury ;

The Gippsland-Maffra scheme, with the weir at Glenmaggie (this is almost completed, and 80,000 acres should be ready for irrigating during the year) ; and

The lock and weir at Mildura.

Large additions are being made to the Mallee schemes for domestic and stock supply to the west of the Mildura railway.

Schemes for the extension of water supply in the Mornington Peninsula and flood protection at Koo-wee-rup and Cardinia Creek, and for reclamation work at Orbost, are contemplated.

The sewerage of country towns is an urgent problem, and any legislation necessary for facilitating the schemes which are being submitted by country towns will be introduced.

In co-operation with the Commonwealth Government my Advisers are pursuing an active policy for the encouragement of immigration.

The Government having accepted the provisions of the Draft Agreement with the Commonwealth Government, several schemes for settlement of immigrants and Australians and for works and undertakings specified in the agreement will be prepared.

A Royal Commission is inquiring into the condition of Soldier Settlement, and its report is expected in October next. A Bill to amend the existing legislation will then receive consideration.

A Bill to extend the powers and to assist the operations of the Forests Commission and to promote afforestation will be introduced.

My Advisers realize the necessity for the removal of the Metropolitan Stock Yards and Abattoirs to a more suitable position outside the suburban area, and steps will be taken with a view to the transfer of the stock yards and their appurtenances to the area selected.

Proposals for improvement in the conditions of classification and training of State teachers will be submitted for your consideration.

Additional financial provision will be made for buildings for primary, secondary, and technical education. The erection of the Emily McPherson College of Domestic Economy, towards which Sir William McPherson so generously contributed the sum of £25,000, will be undertaken almost immediately.

Proposals for the establishment of a sound apprenticeship system, having as a basis the recommendations of the Apprenticeship Conference of 1922, will be laid before you.

My advisers will submit proposals for the concentration of all State medical services under one responsible Minister.

A specially qualified expert to direct and control measures for the prevention and treatment of tuberculosis will be appointed.

Steps will be taken to increase hospital accommodation, and a Bill to provide for Intermediate Hospitals will be introduced.

The Government is preparing a measure for dealing with mental defectives. A residential institution for the reception and training of mentally deficient children will be erected at Royal Park, and negotiations are in progress for the purchase of 600 acres of land near Melbourne for the foundation of a farm colony for the segregation of defectives.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates of Expenditure for the current financial year are being framed with the utmost regard for both economy and efficiency, and will in due course be laid before you.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

Many problems dealing with the government and the utilities of the metropolitan area are ripe for solution. My Advisers have given much thought to this subject, and will carefully consider any recommendations made by the Conference of Municipalities. They are of opinion, however, that the present system of municipal government in the metropolis should be simplified. In the meantime there are matters of urgency which must be dealt with, and it is proposed to empower the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to control arterial roads and bridges. A Bill to revise the constitution of the Board will also be introduced. It is proposed to amend the Metropolitan Drainage and Rivers Act so as to facilitate the work of the Board under that Act. The construction of the Spencer-street Bridge will be pushed on.

A Bill will be introduced to provide the necessary powers for the purchase of the Metropolitan Gas Company's undertaking, and for the subsequent administration of the undertaking.

The recommendations of the Town Planning Commission contained in the progress report submitted to the Government are being considered.

Parliament will be asked to make provision for traffic regulations for the metropolitan area.

A Bill will be introduced to create a special City Court to deal with cases arising out of traffic regulations and under certain other enactments.

It is proposed to amend and consolidate the Local Government Acts; and the question of the adjustment and alteration of municipal boundaries, where required, will be considered.

Bills will be introduced to amend the law relating to companies, and for the amendment of the Crimes Acts and the Police Offences Acts, and to make better provision with respect to the maintenance of deserted wives.

The Yarra Bend Asylum has been practically closed; and additional accommodation for mental patients has been provided and substantial improvements carried out at the various asylums.

It is proposed that Anzac Day shall be a public holiday.

Bills will be introduced to bring about reforms in connexion with weights and measures, censorship of films, race meetings, and motor licences.

An amending Factories and Shops Bill will be introduced to provide for the more effective working of the Acts and the extension of the powers of Wages Boards.

The Government and people of Victoria offer the heartiest welcome and greetings to the officers and men of the fleet of the Navy of the United States of America which is approaching these shores. They accept this visit as a demonstration of good-will on the part of that nation, and believe that it will have the effect of cementing the close relations and the sincere friendship which already exist between the peoples of the American Republic and the British Empire and are essential for the peace of the world.

I now leave you to the discharge of the high and important duties with which you are intrusted, and fervently pray that, under the blessing and guidance of Divine Providence, your labours will result in the advancement of the well-being and prosperity of all classes of the community.

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Melbourne, 8th July, 1925.

24. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Motion made and question proposed—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and do take precedence of all other business.

25. SUPPLY.—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolution to be reported this day.

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

26. SUPPLY.—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £2,746,447 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1925-26, viz. :—

Division No.		£
1.	Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	202
2.	Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,863
3.	Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	173
4.	Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	723
5.	Engineers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	107
6.	The Library—Salaries	72
7.	The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	439
8.	Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	995
9.	Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,100
10.	" " Pensions, &c.	18,150
12.	Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	920
13.	Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,229
14.	State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	462
16.	Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,242
17.	Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	259
18.	The Governor's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	78
19.	Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	735
20.	Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	115
21.	Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	858
22.	Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	680
23.	Agent-General—Staff and Office	2,150
24.	Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,004
25.	Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,984
26.	Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	69,800
27.	Children's Welfare, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	55,219
28.	Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	15,786
29.	Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	101,000
30.	Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,960
31.	Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	545
32.	Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,918
33.	Education—Salaries	252,700
34.	" Ordinary Expenditure	31,600
35.	" Pensions, &c.	29
36.	" Works and Buildings	3,000
37.	" Endowments and Grants	30,325
39.	Attorney-General—Salaries	20,270
40.	" " Ordinary Expenditure	5,753
41.	Solicitor-General—Salaries	11,474
42.	" " Ordinary Expenditure	4,545
43.	" " Exceptional Expenditure	84
44.	Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,850
45.	" Transport, &c.	1,083
46.	" Unforeseen Expenditure	600
47.	" Payments to Railway Department	3,000
48.	" Charitable Grant, &c.	37,000
49.	" Pensions, &c.	150
50.	" Exceptional Expenditure	7,900
51.	Taxation Office—Administration—Salaries	541
52.	" " Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	16,691
53.	" " Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,920
54.	" " Death Duties—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	556
55.	Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,086
56.	Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	21,521

Division No.	£
57. Government Printer—Exceptional Expenditure	416
58. " " Advertising	1,000
59. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	25,979
60. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	139
62. Botanic, &c., Gardens and National Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	2,659
63. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	14,295
64. Works and Buildings	150
65. Crown Lands—Exceptional Expenditure	350
66. Immigration Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,056
67. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	11,500
68. Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,323
69. " " Works, &c.	8,112
70. " " Exceptional Expenditure	500
72. Public Works—Works and Buildings	50,000
73. " " Roads, Works, and Bridges	7,000
74. " " Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c.	1,500
75. " " Exceptional Expenditure	50
76. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,173
77. " Furtherance of Mining Industry	3,720
78. " Exceptional Expenditure	300
79. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	18,539
80. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Salaries, &c.	38,000
81. Agriculture—Administrative Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	2,380
82. " Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	17,560
83. Horticulture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,710
84. Exceptional Expenditure	375
85. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	12,636
86. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	14,146
87. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	21,920
88. " " Grants	584
89. Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	1,620,020
90. " Pensions, &c.	1,775
91. " Railway Construction Branch	2,049
92. State Coal Mine—Working Expenses	91,135
Total	£2,746,447

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

27. WAYS AND MEANS. Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

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

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1925–26 the sum of £2,746,447 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

29. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two million seven hundred and forty-six thousand four hundred and forty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1925.

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 :—
 - Cattle Compensation Act 1924.—Regulations.
 - Country Roads Act 1915.—Eleventh Annual Report of the Country Roads Board, for year ended 30th June, 1924.
 - Lands Compensation Act 1915.—Return under Section 37 showing particulars connected with the Purchase of Land and Amount paid therefor by the State Electricity Commission for the period 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1925.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1) without amendment.

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

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 3.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two million seven hundred and forty-six thousand four hundred and forty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 9th July, 1925.

5. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House (for Address see p. 8 *ante*) ; debate resumed. Question—put, and Address agreed to. Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House.
6. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—Motion made and question—That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the dispatch of business ; and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, half-past Three o'clock on Wednesday, and half-past Ten o'clock on Thursday ; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Ten o'clock (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
7. ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Motion made and question—That on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week, except on the Thursdays set apart for Private Bill Business and General Business, during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
8. ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND PRIVATE BUSINESS.—*Amended* motion made and question—That on Thursday, 16th July, and on every third Thursday thereafter during the present Session business shall be called on in the following order, viz. :—

On one third Thursday—

Private Bill Business :

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

General Business :

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

—(*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

On the alternate third Thursday—

General Business :

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

Private Bill Business :

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

9. GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS BILL.—Mr. Downward, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Allan, obtained leave, with Colonel Bouchier, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Great Ocean Road Lands Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. POISONS BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Poisons Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Law relating to Apprenticeship and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
12. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to facilitate the Enforcement in Victoria of Maintenance Orders made in England and Northern Ireland and other parts of His Majesty's Dominions and Protectorates and vice versa* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for the Amendment or Variation of Allowances under the Act of the Parliament of Victoria Numbered 391 and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
14. FISHERIES BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Fisheries Acts* ; ” and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
15. PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTS BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Law relating to Pharmaceutical Chemists* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
16. WOMEN TEACHERS—FIFTH CLASS.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing a list of the names of certain fifth-class women teachers having at least seven years' classified service prior to 1st July, 1920, who were placed in a subdivision of salary lower than the sixth, under the *Public Service Act 1920 (Mr. Prendergast)*—put and agreed to.
17. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—Mr. Snowball, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Farthing, obtained leave, with Mr. Slater, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ' Medical Act 1915 ' and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 17th September next.
18. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—Mr. Everard, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Farthing, obtained leave, with Mr. Morley, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to the Rateability of certain Land rested in the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 6th August next.
19. PRIMARY PRODUCTS ADVANCES BILL.—Mr. Hogan obtained leave, with Mr. McDonald (*Daylesford*), to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Act providing for the making of Advances to Companies for the purposes of Undertakings for dealing with certain Primary Products* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 6th August next.
20. DIVORCE BILL.—Mr. Snowball, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Farthing, obtained leave, with Mr. Morley, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make Separation a Ground for Divorce under the Marriage Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 17th September next.
21. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL.—Mr. Brownbill obtained leave, with Mr. Hayes, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to allow Railway Employées and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 8th October next.
22. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WERRIBEE RATING) BILL.—Mr. Hjorth obtained leave, with Mr. Hogan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to the Rateability of certain Lands in the Municipal District of Werribee used for Sewage Farm and other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 17th September next.
23. FAIR RENTS BILL.—Mr. Murphy obtained leave, with Mr. Cotter, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for the Establishment of Courts for the purpose of fixing Fair Rents for Dwelling-houses* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 17th September next.
24. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE BILL.—Mr. Bailey obtained leave, with Mr. Pollard, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ' Administration and Probate Act 1915 ' and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 17th September next.
25. OUT-OF-WORK ALLOWANCES BILL.—Mr. Tunnecliffe obtained leave, with Mr. Blackburn, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for Out-of-work Allowances and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 29th October next.

26. RAILWAYS BILL.—Mr. Hayes, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Brownbill, obtained leave, with Mr. Cotter, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Railways Act 1915 ’* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th November next.
27. COMPULSORY VOTING (ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS) BILL.—Mr. Cotter obtained leave, with Mr. Clough, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Elections for the Legislative Assembly* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 29th October next.
28. SATURDAY VOTING (PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS) BILL.—Mr. Brownbill obtained leave, with Mr. Frost, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide that all State Parliamentary Elections be held on a Saturday* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th November next.
29. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
30. FORESTS BILL. Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Mackrell*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Cain*)—put and agreed to. Ordered, after debate—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
31. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until to-morrow.
32. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have appointed a Committee of six Members to join with a Committee of the Assembly to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments.
33. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 3.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. COMMISSION PAID TO COUNCILS BY COUNTRY ROADS BOARD.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of commission paid to each council in the State in each year by the Country Roads Board since the passing of the *Developmental Roads Act 1918* on account of Country Roads Board's works (*Mr. Pollard*)—put and agreed to.
3. PAPERS.—Dr. Argyle presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1924.
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 :—
Health Act 1919—
Offensive Trades Regulations 1925.
Seizure (Claims Procedure) Regulations 1925.
4. ECHUCA LAND BILL.—Mr. Downward obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to certain Land in the Borough of Echuca permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for Court House purposes and to the Buildings thereon* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

5. ANZAC DAY BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Colonel Bouchier, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to constitute Anzac Day a Public and Bank Holiday and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
6. GAME BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Mackrell, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Game Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
7. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; 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.
8. POISONS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*). Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
9. GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*). Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate, agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after No. 6.
11. THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*). Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
12. GAME BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*)—and, after debate—Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Tunnecliffe*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and that Mr. Tunnecliffe have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after No. 7.
14. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*). Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
15. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 4.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1924-25, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.
Melbourne, 15th July, 1925.

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

16. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.
17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 5 and Nos. 8 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow. Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—
Anzac Day Bill—Second reading.
18. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—Mr. Jackson obtained leave, with Mr. Brownbill, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1918 ’ and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 8th October next.
3. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Cotter obtained leave, with Mr. Webber, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend Part II.—Dentists—of the ‘ Medical Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 8th October next.
4. POLICE OFFENCES BILL.—Mr. Carlisle, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Everard, obtained leave, with Mr. Lind, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Police Offences Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 29th October next.
5. OFFICE OF STATE GOVERNOR.—Motion made and question—That, in the opinion of this House, the Office of the State Governor of Victoria should be abolished (*Mr. Webber*)—put and, after debate—The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

Noes, 29.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Allison	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Angus	Sir William McPherson
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Morley
Mr. Baird	Mr. Old
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Billson	Mr. Pennington
Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lind	Mr. Carlisle
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Groves

And so it passed in the negative.

6. STREET TRADING BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to regulate Street Trading in certain cases and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. TRUSTS (TRUSTEE COMPANIES) BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to Trustee Companies and to amend the ‘ Trusts Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. CRIMES BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Dr. Argyle, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. STOCK FOODS BILL.—Colonel Bourchier obtained leave, with Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*), to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to Stock Foods* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate— That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 21ST JULY, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Jewell presented a Petition from certain residents and parents living in the south-western portion of West Brunswick, praying that the House will take such action as will cause the scheme for the erection of a home for mentally-deficient children at the corner of Oak and Park streets to be abandoned.
Motion made and question—That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read (*Mr. Jewell*)—put and agreed to.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Coal Mines Regulation Act 1915.—Annual Report of the Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board for the year 1924.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—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 number of unemployed and the necessity of the Government immediately providing work to meet the desires of the men."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate—
The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber

Noes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Allison	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of a certain Undertaking at Shepparton for the Supply of Electricity.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st July, 1925.

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

6. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 5.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Farthing reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of a certain Undertaking at Shepparton for the Supply of Electricity.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. Eggleston and Colonel Bouchier do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Mr. Eggleston then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Purchase by the State Electricity Commission of Victoria of a certain Undertaking at Shepparton for the Supply of Electricity*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolution to be reported this day.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. SUPPLY—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR 1924-25.—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—
Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £644,219 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1924-25, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Division No.		£	£
1.	Legislative Council	150	
2.	Legislative Assembly	170	
3.	Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways	75	
	Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly House Committee—		
4.	Refreshment Rooms	20	
5.	Engineers	20	
7.	The Library, State Parliament House	12	
8.	Victorian Parliamentary Debates	251	
9.	Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,083	
10.	" " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensations, &c.	54	
13.	Explosives	210	
15.	Fisheries and Game	267	
16.	Government Shorthand Writer... ..	112	
19.	Inebriates Institution	381	
20.	Marine Board	463	
21.	Observatory	223	
22.	Premier's Office	77	
24.	Audit Office	393	
25.	Government Statist	310	
26.	Hospitals for the Insane	24,959	
27.	Children's Welfare Department	8,413	
28.	Penal Establishments and Gaols	1,540	
29.	Police	8,308	
	Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—		
30.	Salaries	640	
30A.	Exceptional Expenditure	1,735	
		<hr/>	53,908

II.—LABOUR.

32.	Department of Labour		444
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III.—PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

33.	Education—Salaries	1,048	
34.	" Ordinary Expenditure	12,000	
35.	" Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation	649	
36.	" Works and Buildings	1,000	
		<hr/>	14,697

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

39.	Attorney-General—Salaries	2,431	
40A.	" Pensions, Gratuities, &c.	151	
41.	" Exceptional Expenditure	408	
		<hr/>	2,990

V.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

42.	Solicitor-General—Salaries	358	
43.	" Ordinary Expenditure	2,067	
		<hr/>	2,425

VI.—TREASURER.

Division No.		£	£
44.	Treasury—Ordinary Expenditure	443	
47.	" Payments to Railway Department	74,800	
48.	" Grants	27,210	
49.	" Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities, &c.	251	
50.	" Exceptional Expenditure	3,401	
51.	Taxation Office—Administration	10	
52.	" " Income Tax Branch	1,500	
53.	" " Land Tax Branch	1,700	
54.	" " Probate Duties Branch	55	
56.	Government Printer—Salaries	2,400	
58.	" " Advertising, &c.	800	
		<hr/>	112,570

VII.—CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

59.	Survey, Land Settlement, Closer Settlement, and Management of Crown Lands	339	
60.	Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves	32	
62.	Botanic and Domain Gardens	563	
63.	Extirpation of Rabbits, Wild Animals, and Noxious Weeds	10,000	
64.	Works and Buildings... ..	466	
64A.	Pensions, Compensations, Gratuities, &c.	108	
65.	Exceptional Expenditure	4,650	
66.	Immigration Bureau	1,067	
		<hr/>	17,225

VIII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND MINES.

67.	Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,132	
68.	Ports and Harbours	750	
69.	Works, &c.	4,800	
70.	Electricity Commission	3,600	
71.	Public Works—Works and Buildings	109,078	
72.	" " Road Works and Bridges	6,700	
74.	" " Exceptional Expenditure	100	
75.	Mines—Salaries	10	
76.	" Furtherance of Mining Industry	1,400	
77.	" Pensions, Gratuities, &c.	36	
78.	" Exceptional Expenditure	94	
		<hr/>	129,700

IX.—FORESTS.

79.	Forests Commission	11,000
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XI.—AGRICULTURE.

81.	Agriculture—Administrative	240	
82.	" Salaries, Maffra Beet Sugar Factory, and Ordinary Expenditure	23,265	
83.	" Horticulture	2,000	
84.	" Grants	850	
84A.	" Exceptional Expenditure	1,538	
85.	Stock and Dairy	3,985	
86.	Export Development and Produce Inspection	2,020	
		<hr/>	33,898

XII.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

87.	Public Health—Salaries and Infectious Diseases and Tuberculosis	4,665	
88.	" " Grants	209	
		<hr/>	4,874

XIII.—RAILWAYS AND STATE COAL MINES.

89.	Railways—Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1924–25, &c.	257,106	
90.	" Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &c.	448	
93.	State Coal Mines	2,934	
		<hr/>	260,488
	Total ... ..	...	<hr/><hr/>£644,219

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

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

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1925.

9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1924–25 the sum of £644,219 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Eggleston do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

11. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty-four thousand two hundred and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment: read the third time, after debate.

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

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 17 inclusive be postponed until this day.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until this day:—

State Electricity Commission (Shepparton Purchase) Bill—Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Motion made and question proposed—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 11th August next (*Mr. Allan*)—and, after debate—
Amendment proposed—That the figures and words “11th August next” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the figures and words “28th July instant” (*Mr. Prendergast*)—and, after debate—
Question—That the figures and words proposed to be omitted stand part of the motion—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Allison	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Angus	Mr. McLachlan
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman
Colonel Bourchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Everard	Mr. West
Mr. Farthing	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 25.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Cain	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Clough	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Original motion—put and agreed to.

3. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—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, Dr. Argyle, Mr. Eggleston, Mr. Slater, and Mr. Wallace; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
4. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Allan, Mr. Billson, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Cain, Mr. Farthing, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Lawson, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Snowball, and Mr. Tunnecliffe; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
5. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beardmore, Colonel Bouchier, Mr. Brownbill, Mr. Deany, Mr. Dunstan, Mr. Frost, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Oman, and Mr. West; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
6. **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Brownbill, Mr. Clough, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Morley, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Pennington, and Mr. Walter; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
7. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws adopted by this House on the 16th June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Eggleston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Snowball, and Mr. Wettenhall, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.
8. **HOUSE COMMITTEE.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the following Members be appointed members of the House Committee:—Mr. Clough, Mr. Dunstan, Mr. Everard, Mr. Jewell, and Mr. Morley (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
9. **COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.**—The following Warrant, appointing “The Committee of Elections and Qualifications,” was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the three hundred and forty-sixth section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I do hereby appoint The Honorable Henry Angus, The Honorable John Joseph Carlisle, Luke James Clough, Esquire, The Honorable John Gordon, Oswald Robinson Snowball, Esquire, Robert Henry Solly, Esquire, and Arthur Knight Wallace, Esquire, to be members of a Committee to be called “The Committee of Elections and Qualifications.”

Given under my hand this twenty-second day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

10. **FORESTS BILL.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed.
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Frost*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 11th August next.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 11th August next.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 11th August next.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1925.

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

2. PAPERS.—Dr. Argyle presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Hospital Matters in Britain—Statement concerning, by George Fairbairn and Arthur Baillieu.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year ended 30th June, 1924.

Mr. Allan presented—

Commission paid to Councils by Country Roads Board.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 15th July, 1925.

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 :—

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 31st December, 1924.

Bulk Handling of Wheat.—Orders fixing the Maximum Expenditure of the Board to inquire into and report upon the System of Handling Wheat in Bulk in New South Wales (2 papers).

Education Act 1915.—Regulation rescinded, Regulation substituted.—Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.

Factories and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops for the year 1924.

Fisheries Acts—

Notice of Intention to alter the Netting Boundary at the Mouth of the Nicholson River.

Notice of Intention to permit the Use of certain Specified Nets and Fixed Engines in Lindsay River, &c., in the North-west of Victoria.

Notice of Intention to define the Mouth of the Anglesea River and prohibit Netting within a quarter of a mile of such Mouth.

Hospitals and Charities Act 1922.—Report of the Charities Board of Victoria for the year ended 30th June, 1925.

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of Crown Allotments 2-5 and part of Crown Allotment 1, Section 25, Town and Parish of Bairnsdale, County of Tanjil, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

Mines Act 1915.—Schedule G of the Regulations relating to Mining Leases, Tailings Licences, and Water Right Licences rescinded, new Schedule substituted.

Outer Ports Development.—Order fixing the Maximum Expenditure of the Royal Commission.

Public Service Acts—

Regulations.—Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Regulations.—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—General (2 papers).

Regulations.—Attendance and Conduct of Officers, Chapter XIII.—Part I.—Attendance of Officers.—General.

Water Acts.—Declarations of the Minister of Water Supply under the Acts with reference to the constitution of the following proposed Irrigation and Water Supply Districts, together with Plans showing the areas :—

Leitchville.

Third Lake.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2) without amendment.

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

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty-four thousand two hundred and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.”

The Government Offices,

Melbourne, 27th July, 1925.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE.

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a copy of a despatch which he has received from the President of the Senate notifying that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Victoria in the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 29th July, 1925.

MY LORD.

Melbourne, 24th July, 1925.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Victoria in the Senate, through the death of Senator Edward John Russell, which occurred on the 18th July, 1925.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

(Sgd.)

THOS. GIVENS,

President of the Senate.

His Excellency the Right Honorable

The Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E.,

Governor of the State of Victoria, Melbourne.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR SUPERANNUATION BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

W. H. IRVINE.

Lieutenant-Governor,

As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 8.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for the Governor, recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make provision on a Contributory Basis for Superannuation Benefits for certain Public Officers and Employés and Benefits for certain of their Dependants and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1925.

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

7. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 8.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make provision on a Contributory Basis for Superannuation Benefits for certain Public Officers and Employés and Benefits for certain of their Dependants and for other purposes.

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

Ordered That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to make provision on a Contributory Basis for Superannuation Benefits for certain Public Officers and Employés and Benefits for certain of their Dependants and for other purposes"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, after debate, to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR—TEACHERS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

W. H. IRVINE,

Lieutenant-Governor,

As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 9.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for 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 Law relating to State Schools and Teachers.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1925.

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

9. **TEACHERS BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 9.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Law relating to State Schools and Teachers.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled " *A Bill to amend the Law relating to State Schools and Teachers* " ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. **APPRENTICESHIP BILL.** Motion made and question proposed— That this Bill be now read a second time (*Sir Alexander Peacock*).
Motion made and question— That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Lemmon*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 19th August instant, and that Mr. Lemmon have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
11. **FORESTS BILL.** Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question— That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed.
Motion made and question— That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. McLachlan*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
13. **ADJOURNMENT.** Resolved, after debate— That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1925.

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 :—
Friendly Societies Forty-seventh Annual Report on.—Final Report of the Government Statist relating to the period of eighteen months ended 30th June, 1924, to which are appended Valuations of Societies, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.
3. **FORESTS BILL.** Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question— That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
4. **GAME BILL.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question— That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again this day.
5. **DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.**—Motion made, by leave, and question— That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for the Honorable Newton W. Rowell, K.C., of Canada (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

6. **GAME BILL.**—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to ; read the third time.

On the motion of Mr. Hughes the following further amendment was made in this Bill :—

Clause 25, at the end of the clause add the words “ unless one of such persons is the holder of a gun licence.”

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

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 17 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

8. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1925.

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

2. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD—SALARIES, ETC.**—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The name, official designation, and salary of each official of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board in receipt of £400 per annum or over.

2. The date and amount of last increment received (if any) by each of these officials.

—(*Mr. Webber*)—put and agreed to.

3. **SUPPLY.**—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate, negatived.

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

4. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1925.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Allan presented—

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—Salaries, &c.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th August, 1925.

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

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth and purchased for the use of the Public Works Department during the period from 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1925.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR—HORSE BREEDING BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Colonel Bouchier, and the same was read :—

W. H. IRVINE,

Lieutenant-Governor,

As Deputy for His Excellency the Governor.

Message No. 10.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Lieutenant-Governor, as Deputy for 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 *Horse Breeding Act 1919* and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th August, 1925.

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

4. PYRAMID HILL WATERWORKS TRUST.—Motion made and question—That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Water Act 1915*, the Waterworks District of the Pyramid Hill Waterworks Trust shall, on and after the first day of January, 1926, be placed under the jurisdiction and control of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.

5. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Sir Alexander Peacock*).

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

6. THE ACT No. 391 AMENDMENT BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amended title, which title is as follows :—

“ A Bill to provide for the Amendment or Variation of Allowances under the Act of the Parliament of Victoria providing for the Abolition of State Aid to Religion and Numbered 391 and for other purposes.”

Bill, as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time.

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

7. GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; 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.

8. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; 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.

9. POISONS BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
11. ECHUCA LAND BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 10 be postponed until to-morrow.
13. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (SHEPPARTON PURCHASE) BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*)—and, after debate—
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Cain*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and that Mr. Cain have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to a resolution that it is expedient that the Waterworks District of the Pyramid Hill Waterworks Trust be placed under the jurisdiction and control of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.
15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 12 to 19 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
16. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.
- And then the House, at twenty-five minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Frost 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 instruction given by the Treasurer to the receivers and paymasters and clerks of courts of all country offices that after the 1st September they will not collect any revenue for the Departments of Lands, Mines, Forests, or Public Works, and that all such payments in future are to be made in Melbourne."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Frost*)—put and, after debate—
The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	
Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Webber
Mr. Jewell	

Noes, 29

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Allison	Mr. M. Donald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Poltarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Seven of the ‘ Architects Registration Act 1922.’* ”
4. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Mackrell the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Registration as Dentists in Victoria of certain Classes of Persons registered or entitled to be registered as Dentists in the United Kingdom.* ”
6. DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of Dr. Argyle the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. FORESTS BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 12.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for the Honorable W. C. Angwin, M.L.A., Minister for Lands, Immigration, and Industries, of Western Australia (*Mr. Allan*—put and agreed to.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
4. STOCK FOODS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Col n'l Bouchier*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Hogan*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Thursday, 3rd September next.
5. FORESTS BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again on Tuesday next.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Registration of Opticians and for other purposes.* ”
7. OPTICIANS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of Dr. Argyle the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was 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. 3 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, and Act No. 3118 during the year 1924–25.
3. FORESTS BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
 Committee reported progress ; to sit again this day.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive be postponed until after No. 5.
5. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from His Excellency the Governor having been read—
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have agreed to the following resolution :—

That this House meet the Legislative Assembly for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell ;
 and requesting the Assembly to name the place and time of such meeting.

 Motion made and question—That this House meet the Legislative Council in the Legislative Assembly Chamber at Eight o'clock this day for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them accordingly.
7. FORESTS BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
 Committee reported progress ; to sit again this day.
8. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced that the time had arrived for this House to meet the Legislative Council in the Legislative Assembly Chamber for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.
 Accordingly Mr. Speaker left the Chair at fifty-eight minutes past Seven o'clock, and having resumed it at forty-five minutes past Nine o'clock—
 Mr. Speaker reported that the House had that day met the Legislative Council in the Legislative Assembly Chamber for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell, and that the Honorable William Plain had been duly chosen to hold the vacant place.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive and Nos. 6 to 19 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
 Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—

Forests Bill—To be further considered in Committee.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
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JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FORESTS BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress : to sit again to-morrow.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—SUPPLY.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read : —

1925.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1925-26.

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the month of September, in the year 1925-26, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 26th August, 1925.

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

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until after Nos. 17 and 18.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST, 1925.

Resolution to be reported this day.

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

6. SUPPLY.—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £1,337,910 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1925-26, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	89
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,011
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	114
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	342
5. Engineers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	46
6. The Library—Salaries	36
7. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	220
8. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	612
9. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,848
10. " " Pensions, &c.	9,300
12. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	450
13. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	534
14. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	249
16. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	626
17. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	130
18. The Governor's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	39
19. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	288
20. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	58
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	420
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	315
23. Agent-General—Staff and Office	828
24. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	814
25. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,757
26. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	35,743
27. Children's Welfare, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	27,522
28. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,723
29. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	44,000
30. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,980
31. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	257

Division No.	£
32. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,354
33. Education—Salaries	133,000
34. „ Ordinary Expenditure	16,000
35. „ Pensions, &c.	15
36. „ Works and Buildings	1,500
37. „ Endowments and Grants	472
38. „ Exceptional Expenditure	13
39. Attorney-General—Salaries	10,136
40. „ „ Ordinary Expenditure	2,500
41. Solicitor-General—Salaries	5,737
42. „ „ Ordinary Expenditure	1,900
43. „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	42
44. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,000
45. „ Transport, &c.	500
46. „ Unforeseen Expenditure	400
47. „ Payments to Railway Department	3,000
48. „ Charitable Grant, &c.	17,000
49. „ Pensions, &c.	80
50. „ Exceptional Expenditure	2,000
51. Taxation Office—Administration—Salaries	268
52. „ „ Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	8,170
53. „ „ Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,904
54. „ „ Death Duties—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	277
55. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	541
56. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	16,761
57. „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	208
58. „ „ Advertising	500
59. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,056
60. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	67
62. Botanic, &c., Gardens and National Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	1,333
63. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	9,148
64. Works and Buildings	120
65. Crown Lands—Exceptional Expenditure	1,300
66. Immigration Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,678
67. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,500
68. Ports and Harbours—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,709
69. „ „ Works, &c.	4,056
72. Public Works—Works and Buildings	30,000
73. „ „ Roads, Works, and Bridges	3,000
74. „ „ Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c.	500
76. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,060
77. „ Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,430
78. „ Exceptional Expenditure	200
79. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	9,014
80. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Salaries, &c.	19,000
81. Agriculture—Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,205
82. „ Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,830
83. Horticulture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,253
84A. Exceptional Expenditure	50
85. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,532
86. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,319
87. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,310
88. „ „ Grants	455
89. Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	792,677
90. „ Pensions, &c.	888
91. „ Railway Construction Branch	1,024
92. State Coal Mine—Working Expenses	45,567
Total	£1,337,910

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

7. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

8. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1925–26 the sum of £1,337,910 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

9. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and ten pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time, after debate.

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

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Great Ocean Road Lands Bill without amendment.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

And then the House, at forty-three minutes past One o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday next.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

2. PAPERS.—Dr. Argyle presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Charitable Institutions.—Statistics for the year ended 30th June, 1923.

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 :—

Education Act 1915.—Regulation added—Regulation XXIV. (c).—Conveyance of Children to School.

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of parts of Crown Portion 145, at Preston, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificates of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plans (3 papers).

Mines Act 1915.—

Clause 58 of the Regulations relating to Mining Leases, Tailings Licences, and Water Right Licences rescinded, new Clause substituted.

Regulation added.—Licence to remove Tailings.

Victorian Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year ended 30th June, 1925.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 12.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, 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 Great Ocean Road Lands Acts.* ”

The Government Offices,

Melbourne, 31st August, 1925.

4. SUPERANNUATION BILL. —Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed.

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Farthing*)—put and agreed to.

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

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

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker reported that, as directed by this Honorable House, 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 14th July last in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament. His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

In the name of and on behalf of His Majesty the King I thank you for the expression of loyalty to Our Most Gracious Sovereign contained in the Address which you have just presented to me.

I fully rely on your wisdom in deliberating upon the important measures to be brought under your consideration, and I earnestly hope that the results of your labours will be conducive to the advancement and prosperity of this State.

Melbourne, 2nd September, 1925.

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3) without amendment.

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

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 13.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and ten pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 2nd September, 1925.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

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 enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1926 to 1929-1930 inclusive, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 25th August, 1925.

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

6. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 14.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1926 to 1929-1930 inclusive, and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Allan and Colonel Bouchier do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Allan then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1926 to 1929-1930 inclusive, and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed.

Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee on Wednesday next.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,

Speaker.

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. COUNTRY ROADS BOARD.—EXPENDITURE ON VARIOUS WORKS SINCE 1918.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount expended by the Country Roads Board since 1918 in each shire in each year on account of permanent, maintenance, and developmental works respectively (*Mr. Pollard*)—put and agreed to.
3. SUPPLY.—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. DAY BAKING BILL.—Mr. Brownbill, pursuant to motion moved on his behalf by Mr. Solly, obtained leave, with Mr. Solly, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Establishment of Day Baking in the State of Victoria*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 29th October next.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SOLDIER SETTLEMENT COMMISSION.—Motion made and question—That the sum of £6,100 be fixed as the maximum expenditure of the Royal Commission on Soldier Settlement, appointed for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the subject of soldier settlement, being the addition of £2,100 to the amount previously fixed by an Order in Council dated the 16th June, 1925 (*Dr. Argyll*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Fisheries Acts.—Notice of Intention to prohibit all Fishing in the Upper Delegate, Bonang, Queenboro, and Bendoc Rivers from 14th April to 31st October in each year.
 - Melbourne Harbour Trust Act 1915.—Statement of Accounts of the Melbourne Harbour Trust Commissioners for the year 1924.
 - Public Service Acts—
 - Regulations.—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Law.
 - Regulations.—Leave of Absence, Chapter XIV.
 - Regulations.—Stores and Transport, Chapter XV.—Tender Board.
4. ANZAC DAY BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyll*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 10.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Horse Breeding Act 1919* and for other purposes.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Colonel Bouchier and Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*) do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Colonel Bouchier then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the *Horse Breeding Act 1919* and for other purposes."
Motion made, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, and question—That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to and including the third reading (*Colonel Bouchier*)—put and agreed to ; Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day ; read a second time and committed.
Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee this day.
6. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—COMPENSATION FEE.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the compensation fee to be charged under the Horse Breeding Bill (*Colonel Bouchier*)—put and agreed to.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved—That there be chargeable under the Horse Breeding Bill a compensation fee not exceeding Three pounds in addition to the registration fee required by the *Horse Breeding Act 1919*.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
7. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—(Considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time.
On the motion of Colonel Bouchier the following amendment was made in this Bill :—
Clause 1, line 7, omit the figures " 1924 " and insert the figures " 1925."
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

9. STREET TRADING BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and that *Mr. Prendergast* have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
10. TROUT-FISHING LICENCES—FEES.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the rates to be paid on the issue of trout-fishing licences (*Dr. Argyle*)—put and agreed to.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 19 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
12. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—*Mr. Speaker* took the Chair.
2. VICTUALLERS' LICENCES IN FORCE AND TRANSFERRED, 1919-24.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of victuallers' licences in force during each of the six years—1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924; the number that remained continuously in the name of the same licensee during the six years; and the number that were transferred during that period—once, twice, three, four, five, six, or more times (*Mr. Baird* for *Mr. Greenwood*)—put and agreed to.
3. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL. Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Allan*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Hogan*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
4. SUPERANNUATION BILL. Motion made and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide for an optional table to permit female contributors; locomotive engine-drivers, firemen, and cleaners, railway signalmen, shunters, and guards; Penal Department warders; and other employees of the State following dangerous or disagreeable occupations to retire at either sixty or sixty-five years of age (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
Motion made and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to the interpretation of "Officer" to include in that interpretation temporary employees of not less than five years' service (*Mr. Hayes*)—put and agreed to.
Motion made and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to alter the maximum age of retirement, with a view of providing alternative schemes, including a schedule for females (*Mr. Bould*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
Motion made, by leave, and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee employed as a caretaker of a State school with not less than five years' service shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer" (*Mr. Tunnecliffe*)—put and agreed to.
Motion made, by leave, and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee of any council of any State subsidized technical school with not less than five years' service shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer" (*Mr. Tunnecliffe* for *Mr. Lemmon*)—put and agreed to.
Motion made, by leave, and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment of the interpretation of "Officer" to include in that interpretation certain persons on the staff of certain technical schools (*Mr. Baird*)—put and agreed to.
Motion made, by leave, and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee of the council of the Victorian Railways Institute shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer" (*Mr. Solly*)—put and agreed to.

Motion made, by leave, and question—That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to consider an amendment to provide that any employee of the Melbourne Harbour Trust Commissioners with not less than five years' service shall be included in the interpretation of "Officer" (*Mr. Tunnecliffe for Mr. Murphy*)—put and agreed to.

Bill considered in Committee.

Committee reported progress; to sit again on Tuesday next.

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

6. FORESTS BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 17 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 20.

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

2. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed.

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Wettenhall*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

3. POISONS BILL.—Read the third time.

On the motion of Dr. Argyle the following amendments were, after debate, made in this Bill:—

Clause 4, at the end of the clause insert the following sub-section:—

“(3) The sale or offering for sale or hawking or peddling of any liquid preparation of carbolic acid or its homologues containing not more than three per centum thereof by any person holding a licence under section four of the *Poisons Act 1920* shall not be deemed to be a contravention of or failure to comply with the provisions of this section if such preparation is in all other respects sold in accordance with the provisions of the *Poisons Acts* and the regulations thereunder.”

Clause 6, lines 9-11, omit “the substances or preparations specified in or added by proclamation to the Second Schedule to the *Poisons Act 1920* shall be liable” and insert “the following substances or preparations, namely:—

Morphine, cocaine, ecgonine, diamorphine (commonly known as heroine), and their respective salts and derivatives, and medicinal opium—

shall be liable.”

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

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Touthcher 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 refusal of the Minister of Railways to have re-opened before a tribunal, independent of the Railway Department, all charges supported by the statements of ex-detectives Olholm and O'Sullivan against any officer or employee, or ex-officer or ex-employee of the Department who did not acknowledge his guilt and was fined, disgraced, or dismissed from the service after the charges had been dealt with by the Railways Commissioners, the head of any branch of the Railway Department, the Railways Discipline Board, or other constituted authority dealing with railway officers or employees, and to empower the tribunal in any case it deems necessary to order or recommend the refund of any such fine, removal of any disgracing, or return to the railway service with former position and rights restored of any officer or employee, but not necessarily to order the payment of any salary or wages to such officer or employee for the period between his dismissal and restoration to the service."

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

Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Touthcher*) put and, after debate

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Dunckerford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	(<i>Pohuarth</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Baird	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Billson	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Morley
Mr. Cook	Mr. Slater	Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly	Mr. Deany	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Frost	Mr. Touthcher	Mr. Downward	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Everard	
Mr. Hughes		Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Lind	Mr. Walter
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DANDENONG—IMPROVED STATION, YARD, AND OTHER ACCOMMODATION. —Motion made, by leave, and question—That there be laid before this House a Copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3368 (Dandenong—Improved Station, Yard, and Other Accommodation); together with Minutes of Evidence (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.
3. PAPER.—Mr. Eggleston presented—
Dandenong—Improved Station, Yard, and Other Accommodation.—Return to the foregoing Order.

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

4. **SUPERANNUATION BILL.**—Further considered in Committee.

Committee reported progress ; to sit again this day.

The Chairman of Committees reported that in Committee the honorable member for Melbourne moved to add certain words to clause 3. The words were "any temporary employee of not less than five years' service." That was submitted to the Committee, and it was defeated by two votes—27 to 29. Immediately after that the honorable member for Melbourne desired to submit practically the same motion, but with the alteration of the word "five," so as to make it read "any temporary employee of not less than ten years' service." He ruled that the second motion was out of order, as the whole of the words had been declared by the Committee not to be inserted.

And, after debate—

Mr. Speaker said—"Of course, honorable members will understand that on the third reading they will have an opportunity of voting on the proposed amendment in regard to temporary employees of not less than ten years' service. But I do not think it is inconsistent with the power of the Committee, nor with the rules of the House, that the Committee should be allowed to consider an amendment in which the number of the years has been changed from that in a previous amendment. I understand that the Chairman of Committees has decided that, having rejected the proposal to include temporary employees of not less than five years' service, the Committee has no power to deal with an amendment to include temporary employees of not less than ten years' service. I do not think that the Chairman of Committees is right in that ruling. I am of opinion that the Committee has power to do that, and, of course, on the third reading the House has power to deal with it in any case."

Bill further considered in Committee.

Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Game Bill with amendments. Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—
 - Judgments (Reciprocity) Bill.
 - The Act No. 391 Amendment Bill.
 - Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Bill.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 23.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Allan presented—
 - Country Roads Board—Expenditure on Various Works since 1918.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 3rd September, 1925.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MEDICAL (DENTISTS) BILL.—Motion made and question—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Farthing*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Thursday, 8th October next.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WERRIBEE RATING) BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now be read a second time (*Mr. Hjorth*)—and, after debate—
 - Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after debate, by leave, withdrawn.
 - Bill read a second time and committed.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee on Thursday, 8th October next.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 4, 5, and 7 be postponed until Thursday, 8th October next, and No. 6 and the Orders of the Day, Government Business, until Tuesday next.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of part of Crown Portion 140, at Coburg, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 15.

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

“An Act to facilitate the Enforcement in Victoria of Judgments and Awards in the Superior Courts of Parts of His Majesty’s Dominions outside the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of Australia and to amend the Supreme Court Acts and for other purposes.”

“An Act to provide for the Amendment or Variation of Allowances under the Act of the Parliament of Victoria providing for the Abolition of State Aid to Religion and Numbered 391 and for other purposes.”

“An Act to facilitate the Enforcement in Victoria of Maintenance Orders made in England and Northern Ireland and other parts of His Majesty’s Dominions and Protectorates and vice versa.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st September, 1925.

4. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Further considered in Committee. Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
5. 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.
6. GAME 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 are as follow :—
 1. Clause 1, sub-clause (3), omit “Part II.—Gun Licences.”
 2. Clause 3, line 15, omit “Ten” and insert “Five.”
 3. Clause 18, line 17, before “or” insert “(whether taken or killed or destroyed in Victoria or elsewhere).”
 4. Clause 19, line 37, omit “by a barrister and solicitor or.”
 5. Clauses 20–27, Part II.—Gun Licences, omit this Part.

And the said amendments were read a second time.
On the motion of Dr. Argyle and after debate—
Amendment 1 agreed to, and the following consequential amendments made :—Omit sub-section (2), the remainder of sub-section (3), and the heading “Part I.—General,” line 16.
Amendments 2 to 5 inclusive agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 15 to 19 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past Ten o’clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Allan presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
 Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—
 Returns of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the following Department during the period from 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1925 :—
 State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.
 State Rivers and Water Supply Commission (River Murray Works).
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
4. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee.
 Committee reported progress ; to sit again on Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
6. ANZAC DAY BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee.
 Committee reported progress ; to sit again on Tuesday next.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 4 to 18 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1924.

3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Blackburn 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 abandonment by the Government of the prosecutions of the persons committed by the Coroner for trial on charges of manslaughter in respect of the collapse, on 24th April last, of the concrete building in course of erection for the British-Australasian Tobacco Company."

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Blackburn*)—put and, after debate—
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Douglasford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber.

Noes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barues	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Billson	Mr. Morley
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Touter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have agreed to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly in the Game Bill.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—SUPPLY.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

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VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1925-26.

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 16.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the month of October, in the year 1925-26, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 29th September, 1925.

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

6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 16 inclusive be postponed until after Nos. 17 and 18.
7. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Resolution to be reported this day.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. **SUPPLY.**—Mr. Farthing reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £1,461,560 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1925–26, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	158
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,418
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	151
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	373
5. Engineers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	70
6. The Library—Salaries	50
7. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	239
8. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	759
9. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,426
10. " " Pensions, &c.	6,100
12. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	125
13. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	764
14. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	371
16. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	880
17. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	148
18. The Governor's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	101
19. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	280
20. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	68
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	587
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	496
23. Agent-General—Staff and Office	828
24. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,022
25. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,215
26. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	46,243
27. Children's Welfare, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	28,246
28. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	10,350
29. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	65,000
30. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,483
31. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	358
32. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,506
33. Education—Salaries	199,500
34. " Ordinary Expenditure	16,000
35. " Pensions, &c.	15
36. " Works and Buildings	1,500
37. " Endowments and Grants	30,353
38. " Exceptional Expenditure	32
39. Attorney General—Salaries	15,049
40. " Ordinary Expenditure	2,392
41. Solicitor-General—Salaries	8,522
42. " Ordinary Expenditure	1,910
43. " Exceptional Expenditure	63
44. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,200
45. " Transport, &c.	500
46. " Unforeseen Expenditure	400
47. " Payments to Railway Department	2,000
48. " Charitable Grant, &c.	9,000
49. " Pensions, &c.	80
50. " Exceptional Expenditure	2,000
51. Taxation Office—Administration—Salaries	126
53. " Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,901
54. " Death Duties—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	370
55. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	510
56. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	9,559
57. " Exceptional Expenditure	208
58. " Advertising	317
59. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,515
60. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	67
62. Botanic, &c., Gardens and National Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,151
63. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,032
64. Works and Buildings	137

Division No.	£
65. Crown Lands—Exceptional Expenditure	1,175
66. Immigration Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,382
67. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ..	7,000
68. Ports and Harbours—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,412
69. " " Works, &c.	4,000
70. " " Exceptional Expenditure	250
72. Public Works—Works and Buildings	33,000
75. " " Exceptional Expenditure	100
76. Mines Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,940
77. " Furtherance of Mining Industry	1,850
78. " Exceptional Expenditure	150
79. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	11,213
80. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Salaries, &c.	19,000
81. Agriculture—Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,107
82. " Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,110
83. Horticulture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,993
84A. Exceptional Expenditure	50
85. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,444
86. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,962
87. Public Health Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	16,468
88. " " Grants	455
89. Railways Working Expenses, &c.	788,247
90. " Pensions, &c.	870
91. " Railway Construction Branch	1,092
92. State Coal Mine—Working Expenses	49,066
Total	£1,461,560

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

9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

10. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Farthing reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1925–26 the sum of £1,461,560 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*) do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

11. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million four hundred and sixty-one thousand five hundred and sixty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; 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.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 16 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 27.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

2. **PAPERS.**—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Treasury Department (Government Printing Office; Treasury Store, State Public Offices; and Taxation Office) during the period from 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1925.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Public Service Acts—

Regulations—Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Agriculture.

Department of Labour.

Department of Mines.

Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Agriculture.

Regulations—Travelling Allowances. Chapter IX.—Part II., Allowances to certain Officers.
—Department of Agriculture.

Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915.—Alteration of Regulations—Classification of Professional Division, Chapter I.—Inspector-General of the Insane.

3. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time.

Amendment proposed—That all the words after the word "That" be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the following words :—"the Bill be withdrawn with a view to the introduction of a Bill to provide for a compulsory wheat pool" (*Mr. Hogan*)—and, after debate—

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind	Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwart</i>)	Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan	Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter	Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver	Mr. Frost	Mr. Warde
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West	Mr. Hayes	
Mr. Everard		Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Farthing		Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Lennon
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee.

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

THURSDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1925.

Bill reported with amendments and with an amended title, which title is as follows :—

"A Bill to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connection with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1926 to 1927-1928 inclusive, and for other purposes."

Bill, as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

And then the House, at nine minutes past Ten o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday next.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FINES UNDER DAIRY, FERTILIZERS, HEALTH (PURE FOOD), FACTORIES, WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, AND BAKERS AND MILLERS ACTS. —Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return up to the 30th September, 1925, in continuation of the previous return, showing separately all fines imposed under (a) the Dairy Supervision Act; (b) the Fertilizers Act; (c) the pure food provisions of the Health Act; (d) the Factories and Shops Act; (e) the Weights and Measures Act; (f) the Bakers and Millers Act, specifying—

Name of Person or Firm fined.	Nature of Offence.	Amount of Fine.	Locality where Offence committed.

Together with totals and with summary of offences, fines, &c., under each Act, as furnished in the return presented to this House on the 2nd December, 1924 (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.

3. PAPERS.—Dr. Argyle presented—

Victuallers' Licences in Force and Transferred, 1919–24.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 24th September, 1925.

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:—

Education Act 1915.—Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1924, to 30th June, 1925.

Land Act 1915.—Particulars of a Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110 of the *Land Act* 1915.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4) without amendment.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read:—

STRATHBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 17.

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

“An Act to amend the Game Acts.”

“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million four hundred and sixty-one thousand five hundred and sixty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.”

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 1st October, 1925.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

STRATHBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 18.

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 Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for Public Works and other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 6th October, 1925.

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

7. **VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 18.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for Public Works and other purposes.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for Public Works and other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision for the Censoring of Cinematograph Films and with respect to the Exhibition of such Films and for other purposes.* ”
9. **CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.**—On the motion of Dr. Argyle the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. **FORESTS BILL.**—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
11. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment :—
Echuca Land Bill.
Poisons Bill.
12. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Agreeing to the Horse Breeding Bill with amendments.
Ordered that the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- And then the House, at Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 29.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **ELEMENTARY TEACHERS—PROMOTION OF, 1921–25.**—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of elementary teachers, male and female respectively, who have received promotion in the triennial period, 1st July, 1921, to 30th June, 1925, under the following headings :—(a) Classified teachers ; (b) junior teachers ; and (c) temporary teachers (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
3. **PAPER.**—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Footscray to Flinders-street Extension, Melbourne, Road.—Report of Board of Inquiry respecting Allocation of Cost of Construction of New Road from Bridge over Maribyrnong River.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
4. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—Mr. Murphy 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 action of the State Electricity Commission in purchasing in America a drag-line excavator in preference to an Australian-made one.”
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Murphy*)—put and, after debate, negatived.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—RURAL BANK BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

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 provide for the establishment and carrying on of a Rural Bank Department of the State Savings Bank of Victoria for the purpose of affording Credit for promoting the Settlement, Cultivation, and Improvement of Lands in Country Districts and the Marketing of the Produce thereof and to make provision for obtaining Funds for carrying on the said Department, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th October, 1925.

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

6. RURAL BANK BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 19.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the establishment and carrying on of a Rural Bank Department of the State Savings Bank of Victoria for the purpose of affording Credit for promoting the Settlement, Cultivation, and Improvement of Lands in Country Districts and the Marketing of the Produce thereof and to make provision for obtaining Funds for carrying on the said Department, and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the establishment and carrying on of a Rural Bank Department of the State Savings Bank of Victoria for the purpose of affording Credit for promoting the Settlement Cultivation and Improvement of Lands in Country Districts and the Marketing of the Produce thereof and to make provision for obtaining Funds for carrying on the said Department, and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. POLICE OFFENCES BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Dr. Argyle, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Police Offences Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. JUSTICES BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Dr. Argyle, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to make provision for a Metropolitan Court of Petty Sessions*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.—Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*), pursuant to notice given by Mr. Mackrell, obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

10. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

11. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—Read the third time.

On the motion of Mr. Allan the following amendment was made in this Bill :—

Clause 3, line 24, omit the words "operation as aforesaid" and insert the word "operations."

Mr. Hogan offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

B. If any guarantee is given pursuant to this Act by the said Treasurer then in respect of any season to which the guarantee relates so much of any amount per bushel of wheat received by the corporation in that season which but for this section might in accordance with the rules of the corporation have been deducted from the net amount of the proceeds of realizations and placed into a reserve fund as is deducted in respect of wheat received by the corporation from any wheatgrower who is not a member of the corporation shall not be placed into the reserve fund but shall be credited by the corporation to the wheatgrower for the purpose of ultimately applying the same to the purchase of shares in the corporation in the name of the wheatgrower, and when the total amount so deducted reaches Ten pounds the board of directors shall allot ten shares to the wheatgrower accordingly, and the rules of the corporation shall be read and construed accordingly :

Provided that if the total amount so deducted in the case of such wheatgrower does not reach Ten pounds before the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight the board of directors upon demand in writing signed by such wheatgrower shall pay the amount so deducted to such wheatgrower.

Motion made and question—That new clause B be now read a second time (*Mr. Hogan*)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard	Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polsworth</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Slater	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wottenhall
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber	Mr. Everard	
		Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lind	Mr. West

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Dunstan offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:—

D. If any guarantee is given pursuant to this Act by the said Treasurer then whether His Majesty has been fully discharged from any obligations under such guarantee or not the corporation shall not be entitled to deduct from the amount due to any wheatgrower who is not a member of the corporation in respect of the proceeds of any wheat delivered by him to a pool as aforesaid any sum for the establishment of or addition to any reserve fund of the corporation, any rule of the said corporation to the contrary notwithstanding.

Motion made and question—That new clause D be now read a second time (*Mr. Dunstan*)—put and after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Prendergast	Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polsworth</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Slater	Mr. Baird	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Solly	Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde	Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wottenhall
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber	Mr. Everard	
Mr. McAdam		Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lind	Mr. West

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Hogan offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill:—

C. If any guarantee is given pursuant to this Act by the said Treasurer, then interest arising from the proceeds of the sale of wheat delivered to a pool during any season to which the guarantee relates shall not be allowed or paid upon share capital of the corporation at any rate higher than the current bank overdraft rate of interest for the time being, anything in the rules of the corporation to the contrary notwithstanding.

And the said clause was read a second time.

Motion made and question—That proposed new clause C be amended by the insertion after the word "than," in line 3, of the words "one-half of one per centum above" (*Mr. Wottenhall*)—put and agreed to.

And the said clause, as amended, was read a third time and added to the Bill.

Motion made and question—That the following further amendment be made in this Bill:—

Clause 4, add the following sub-section:—

"(3) No guarantee shall be given by the Treasurer of Victoria pursuant to sub-section (1) of this section until the corporation has altered its rules to provide for the management of the corporation by a Board of Directors consisting of five persons, two of whom shall be elected by members of the corporation in accordance with its rules, and the remaining three of whom shall be elected by wheatgrowers who have delivered wheat to a pool during any season to which this Act relates and who are not members of the corporation, for which last-mentioned election the Minister of Agriculture is hereby required to arrange" (*Mr. Hogan*)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.			Noes, 27.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Murphy		Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Bond	Mr. Pollard		Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Prendergast		Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Cain	Mr. Slater		Mr. Baird	<i>(Polwarth)</i>
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Solly		Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe		Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace		Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman
Mr. Hjorth			Colonel Bourchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hogan			Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Jewell	<i>Tellers.</i>		Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Keane	Mr. Lemmon		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. McAdam	Mr. Webber		Mr. Everard	
			Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
			Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
			Mr. Lawson	Mr. West

And so it passed in the negative.

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

12. PAPER.—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Outer Ports Development.—First Progress Report of the Royal Commission, dealing with Classification and Administration of Outer Ports, Regulation of Transportation Systems and Outward Wharfage Rates, &c. ; together with Appendices.

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

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 21 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow :—

Water Supply Loans Application Bill—Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 30.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1925.

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

2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD—NUMBER, SALARY, APPOINTMENTS, AND DISMISSALS OF OFFICERS, ETC. ; COST OF TRAMWAY EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS ; TRAM STOPPAGES ; AND COST AND LIFE OF CABLES.—*Amended* motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The number and rates of salary or pay of the following officers or employees of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board :—(a) Inspectors ; (b) ticket checkers ; (c) observers ; (d) private staff ; (e) gangers ; (f) foremen ; (g) survey branch ; (h) receivers or revenue clerks ; and (i) timekeepers.
2. The number of new appointments to the administrative staff during the last five years.
3. The number of dismissals of men engaged by the Board during the last three years (a) with reasons given for dismissal ; and (b) without reasons given for dismissal.
4. The cost of completing the Lonsdale-street cable extension between Swanston and Elizabeth streets.
5. The cost of making the alterations to the cable tramway system at the intersection of Lonsdale and Swanston streets.
6. The number and causes of tram stoppages in Swanston-street of greater duration than half an hour since the completion of the Lonsdale-street cable extension.
7. The number and cost of the cables used in the Swanston-street tramway during the last two years.
8. The life of the cables used in Swanston-street—(a) prior to the completion of the Lonsdale-street extension ; and (b) subsequent to such extension.

—(Mr. Slater)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

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

Land Act 1915.—Particulars of a Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110 of the *Land Act 1915*.

Workers' Compensation Act 1915.—State Accident Insurance Office.—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for year ended 30th June, 1925.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Brownbill*)—and, after debate—

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Keane
Mr. Bond	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cain	Mr. Slater
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Webber

Noes, 21.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Barnes	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Groves
Mr. Farthing	Mr. West
Mr. Lawson	

And so it passed in the negative.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until Thursday, 19th November next, and No. 4 until Thursday, 29th October instant.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WERRIBEE RATING) BILL.—Considered in Committee. Committee reported progress; to sit again on Thursday, 19th November next.
7. FAIR RENTS BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee. Committee reported progress; to sit again on Thursday, 29th October instant.
8. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Bailey*). Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Thursday, 29th October instant.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 8 be postponed until Thursday, 29th October instant, and No. 9 and the Orders of the Day, Government Business, until Tuesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Women Teachers—Fifth Class.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 14th July, 1925.
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 :—
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1918.—Report and Statement of Accounts of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board for the year ended 30th June, 1925.
River Murray Waters Act 1915.—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year 1924–25 ; with Appendices.—Ordered to be printed.
Trade Unions—Thirty-ninth Annual Report on.—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1924 ; with an Appendix.—Ordered to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—
STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 20.*
The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
“ *An Act relating to certain Land in the Borough of Echuca permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for Court House purposes and to the Buildings thereon.* ”
“ *An Act to amend the Poisons Acts.* ”
The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1925.
4. ANZAC DAY BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 25 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.

3. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time, after debate. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. ANZAC DAY BILL.—Read the third time. On the motion of Dr. Argyle the following amendment was, after debate, made in this Bill :—
In the Schedule, line 11, after the word “ Confectionery ” insert the words “ pastry and bread.”
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. 4 to 25 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 33.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER. Mr. Speaker presented—
Finance, 1924 25 - Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June, 1925, accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General and by the Documents specified in the Fifty-sixth Section of the Audit Act.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. SUPPLY. Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
Resolved That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 22 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate— That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1925.

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

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of part of Crown Portion 146, at Preston East, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Bailey 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 decision of the Government not to take steps to recover the value of 13 acres 1 rood and 8 perches of land at Geelong which was conveyed to the Commonwealth Government for defence purposes, and which land was subsequently sold by the Commonwealth Government to a syndicate comprising Senator Guthrie and others."

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

Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and, after debate—The House divided.

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane	Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwart</i>)
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly	Mr. Billson	Mr. Old
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde	Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hughes		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Everard	Mr. Wattenhall
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Gordon	
		Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

4. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Further considered in Committee. Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.
5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment :—
Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited (Government Guarantee) Bill.
Victorian Loan Bill.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 22 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
2384.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

(300 copies.)

 WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1925.

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 :—
 - Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1925.
 - Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915.—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet ; together with Schedule of Contracts for year ended 30th June, 1925.
 - Mines Act 1915.—The Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund—Balance-sheet for the year 1924.
 - University Act 1915.—Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne from 31st July, 1924, to 31st July, 1925 ; together with Appendices, and Statutes and Regulations and Amendments allowed by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria.—Ordered to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Water Supply Loans Application Bill without amendment.
4. MALVERN LAND BILL.—Mr. Downward obtained leave, with Colonel Bouchier, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Revocation of the Permanent Reservation of certain Land situate at Malvern and the Permanent Reservation of such Land for Municipal Purposes and for the transfer to His Majesty of certain other Land situate at Malvern now used for Municipal Purposes and the Permanent Reservation thereof for purposes of Public Recreation*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. TAMBO LAND BILL.—Mr. Downward obtained leave, with Colonel Bouchier, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Tambo as a Site for Camping and affording Access to Water and to provide for the Temporary Reservation of Portion thereof for purposes of Public Recreation and Portion as a Site for Camping and affording Access to Water and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress : to sit again to-morrow.
7. STOCK FOODS BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed.
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Everard*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
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, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 22 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

 THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CATTLE COMPENSATION—DUES COLLECTED ; NUMBER OF INSPECTORS ; AND DESTRUCTION AND DISEASES OF CATTLE.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The amount collected in dues from the inception of the Cattle Compensation Act to 30th September, 1925.
 2. The amount collected in the Barwon electorate and the average fee per head.
 3. The amount collected in the State and the average fee per head.
 4. The number of inspectors under the Act employed throughout the State.
 5. The number of cattle destroyed and the names of the diseases which affected such cattle.
 —(*Mr. Morley*)—put and agreed to.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ESTIMATES FOR 1925-26.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

1925.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1925-26.

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 21.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1925-26 in lieu of the Estimates of Expenditure for the first four months of the year 1925-26 transmitted on the 8th July, 1925, the 26th August, 1925, and the 29th September, 1925, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 22nd October, 1925.

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

4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolution to be reported this day.

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

5. SUPPLY.—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved That a sum not exceeding £1,314,904 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1925-26, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	89
2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	913
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	94
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	62
5. Engineers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	46
6. The Library—Salaries	34
7. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	215
8. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	654
9. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,923
10. " " Pensions, &c.	6,100
11. " " Grants	1,200
12. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	481
13. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	527
14. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	218
16. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	590
17. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	136
18. The Governor's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	38
19. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	330
20. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	56
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	402
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	315
23. Agent General—Staff and Office	828
24. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,594
25. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,749
26. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	35,876
27. Children's Welfare, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	27,535
28. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,916
29. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	49,000
30. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,115
31. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	256
32. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,571
33. Education—Salaries	133,000
34. " Ordinary Expenditure	16,000
35. " Pensions, &c.	15
36. " Works and Buildings	1,500
37. " Endowments and Grants	485
39. Attorney General—Salaries	10,034
40. " Ordinary Expenditure	2,392
41. Solicitor-General—Salaries	5,681
42. " Ordinary Expenditure	1,910
43. " Exceptional Expenditure	42
44. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,100
45. " Transport, &c.	500
46. " Unforeseen Expenditure	500
47. " Payments to Railway Department	3,000

Division No.	£
48. Treasury—Charitable Grant, &c.	17,000
49. „ Pensions, &c.	68
50. „ Exceptional Expenditure	1,000
51. Taxation Office—Administration—Salaries	259
53. „ „ Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,971
54. „ „ Death Duties—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	285
55. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	470
56. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	8,281
57. „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	238
58. „ „ Advertising	317
59. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,388
60. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	57
62. Botanic, &c., Gardens and National Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	1,248
63. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	8,064
64. Works and Buildings	149
65. Crown Lands—Exceptional Expenditure	2,000
66. Immigration Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,492
67. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,950
68. Ports and Harbours—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,638
69. „ „ Works, &c.	3,500
70. „ „ Exceptional Expenditure	150
72. Public Works—Works and Buildings	36,000
76. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,110
77. „ Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,100
79. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	9,000
80. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Salaries, &c.	19,000
81. Agriculture—Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,144
82. „ Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,177
83. Horticulture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,323
84A. Exceptional Expenditure	60
85. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,444
86. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,962
87. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,148
88. „ „ Grants	584
89. Railways—Working Expenses, &c.	788,247
90. „ Pensions, &c.	870
91. „ Railway Construction Branch	1,092
92. State Coal Mine—Working Expenses	49,066
Total	£1,314,904

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

6. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

7. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1925-26 the sum of £1,314,904 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

8. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and fourteen thousand nine hundred and four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 24 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1925.

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 :—

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Twentieth Annual Report, 1924-25.

State Savings Bank Act 1915.—The State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1925.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 22.

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

“ *An Act to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1923 to 1927-1923 inclusive, and for other purposes.*”

“ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for Public Works and other purposes.*”

“ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for other purposes.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 23th October, 1925.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MINISTRY OF HEALTH BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Dr. Argyle, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 23.

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 relating to a Ministry of Health and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 27th October, 1925.

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

5. MINISTRY OF HEALTH BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 23.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to a Ministry of Health and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Dr. Argyle and Sir Alexander Peacock do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Dr. Argyle then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to a Ministry of Health and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 24.

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 make further provision with respect to Main Roads and Developmental Roads under the Country Roads Acts and to amend the said Acts.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 27th October, 1925.

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

7. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 24.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make further provision with respect to Main Roads and Developmental Roads under the Country Roads Acts and to amend the said Acts.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Allan and Colonel Bouchier do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Allan then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make further provision with respect to Main Roads and Developmental Roads under the Country Roads Acts and to amend the said Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. POLICE OFFENCES (RACE MEETINGS) BILL.—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend Division Eleven of Part IV. of the ‘Police Offences Act 1915’ and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

10. 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.

11. HORSE BREEDING 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 are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, page 2, lines 14-15, omit “ will not be used for stud purposes until registered ” and insert “ until registered will not be used for breeding purposes except only with the mares of the owner.”
2. „ page 2, line 22, before “ Ten ” insert “ not less than Four pounds and not more than.”
3. „ page 2, line 26, after “ stallion ” omit “ shall ” and insert “ may.”
4. „ page 2, line 28, after “ be ” insert “ appointed by the Minister and.”
5. „ page 2, line 35, after “ from ” omit “ a panel of such.”
6. „ page 2, lines 37-8, omit “ as are appointed by the Minister.”
7. Clause 3, paragraph (b), omit this paragraph.
8. Clause 4, sub-clause (1), at the end of the sub-clause add “ and may use such stallion for breeding purposes with his own mares only.”
9. „ page 4, line 4, after “ Victoria ” insert “ Australia.”

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

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

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 12 to 24 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 38.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 5) without amendment.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Two hundred and forty-eight of the ‘Health Act 1919.’* ”
4. HEALTH BILL.—On the motion of Dr. Argyle the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

5. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—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 dismissal of employees from the Railway Department."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
6. **SUPREME COURT BILL.**—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Dr. Argyle, to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1915'" ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **STOCK FOODS BILL.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee. Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
9. **PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTS BILL.**—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday next.
10. **SUPERANNUATION BILL.**—Read the third time.

On the motion of Mr. Carlisle the following amendments were made in this Bill :—

Clause 3, paragraph (b), line 36, after the word " commission " insert the words " or council."

" paragraph (b), line 40, after the word " commission " insert the words " or council."

Motion made and question proposed—That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 3, page 3, paragraph (c), line 6, after the words " on the staff of " insert the words " or otherwise employed by the council of " (*Mr. Lemmon*)—and, after debate—

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Clough	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Fr. st	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hayes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	
Mr. McAdam	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Webber

(*Daylesford*)

Noes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Poiswarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

Motion made and question proposed—That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—Clause 3, page 3, after paragraph (g) insert the following paragraph :—

" (h) any person who for ten years immediately before the date of the commencement of this Act has been employed (otherwise than on the permanent staff) in any capacity in the public service or the railway service or as an officer of Parliament or in any capacity by the Board of Land and Works or by any board or commission mentioned in Part I. of the First Schedule or by the Victorian Railways Commissioners."

—(*Mr. Hayes*)—and, after debate, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock the following further amendments were made in this Bill :—

Clause 13, sub-section (2), lines 17–18, omit the words " Two hundred and eight pounds " and insert the words " Two hundred and thirty-four pounds."

Clause 17, sub-section (1), line 17, omit the words " Third and Fourth " and insert the words " Third Fourth and Fifth."

Clause 21, line 13, omit the words " A contributor who is retired " and insert the words " Upon the retirement of a contributor."

" line 14, after the words " his duties " insert the word " he. "

Clause 30, line 19, omit the words " Where a contributor is retired " and insert the words " Upon the retirement of a contributor."

Motion made and question proposed—That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—Clause 35, sub-section (1), line 32, omit the word " exceeding " and insert the words " less than " (*Mr. Tunnecliffe*) and, after debate, by leave, withdrawn.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock the following further amendments were, after debate, made in this Bill:—

- Clause 58, page 31, lines 6–7, omit the words “ on or after the twenty-fourth day of December One thousand eight hundred and eighty-one ” and insert the words and figures “ after the commencement of Act No. 710. ”
- „ page 31, lines 13–14, omit the words “ on or after the twenty-fourth day of December One thousand eight hundred and eighty-one ” and insert the words and figures “ after the commencement of Act No. 710. ”
- Clause 61, sub-section (1), line 23, omit the word “ an ” and insert the word “ such. ”
- „ sub-section (1), line 25, omit the words “ an officer in the railway service ” and insert the words “ such officer in the railway service as is. ”
- „ at the end of sub-section (1) add the following proviso :—“ Provided that a copy of the proposed notice shall be posted to each member of Parliament at least seven days before such notice is published in the *Government Gazette*. ”
- Clause 63, at the end of the clause add the following proviso :—“ Provided that in the case where an elected member dies or vacates his office or is removed the Governor in Council shall as soon as may be appoint such person as is elected in manner provided by or under this Act to fill the vacancy. ”
- Clause 82, at the end of the clause add the following sub-section :—

“(2) All such regulations shall be published in the *Government Gazette* and shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days after the same shall have been made if Parliament is then sitting and if Parliament is not then sitting, then within fourteen days after the next meeting of Parliament. A copy of any regulations proposed to be made under this Act shall be posted to each member of Parliament at least fourteen days before such regulations are approved by the Governor in Council.”

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 26 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 39.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Anzac Day Bill without amendment.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the Notice of Motion, Government Business.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Thursday, 19th November next.
6. COMPULSORY VOTING (ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS) BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Cotter*)—and, after debate—Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Dr. Argyle*)—put and agreed to. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Thursday, 10th December next.
7. POLICE OFFENCES BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Carlisle*). Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Dr. Argyle*)—put and, after debate, by leave, withdrawn. Bill read a second time, after debate, 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 4 be postponed until Thursday, 10th December next, Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive until Thursday, 19th November next, and No. 9 and the Orders of the Day, Government Business, until Wednesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS. — Mr. Downward presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor —
Soldier Settlement. —Report of the Royal Commission on ; together with Appendices.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Elementary Teachers—Promotion of, 1921–25.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 7th October, 1925.
Colonel Bouchier presented—
Cattle Compensation—Dues collected ; Number of Inspectors ; and Destruction and Diseases of Cattle. —Return to an Order of the House, dated 22nd October, 1925.
Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*) presented—
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—Number, Salary, Appointments, and Dismissals of Officers, &c.; Cost of Tramway Extension and Alterations; Tram Stoppages ; and Cost and Life of Cables.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th October, 1925.
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 :—
Public Service Acts—
Regulations.—Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Chief Secretary.
Regulations.—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Lands and Survey.
State Electricity Commission Acts.—Regulations.—Electrical Installations—Quality of Materials, Fittings, and Apparatus to be used, and Methods to be followed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—
STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 25.*
The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
“ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and fourteen thousand nine hundred and four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.*”
“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Horse Breeding Act 1919 ’ and for other purposes.*”
“ *An Act to constitute Anzac Day a Public and Bank Holiday and for other purposes.*”
The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 2nd November, 1925.
4. STOCK FOODS BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to.
Ordered That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 27 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 41.

THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPPLY.—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 27 inclusive and the Order of the Day, (General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

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

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of parts of Crown Portion 66, at Hawthorn, Parish of Boroondara, County of Bourke, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—GEE LONG (HARBOR TRUST) LAND BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Downward, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 26.

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 Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Corio, County of Grant, and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th November, 1925.

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

4. GEE LONG (HARBOR TRUST) LAND BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 26.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Corio, County of Grant, and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Downward and Colonel Bouchier do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Downward then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Corio County of Grant and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.

6. STOCK FOODS BILL.—Read the third time.

On the motion of Colonel Bouchier the following amendment was made in this Bill :—

Clause 3, page 2, line 5, after the word "chemist" add the following words :—"*Compressed stock food*" means stock food subjected to hydraulic or other mechanical pressure to reduce the bulk thereof, but does not include pressed hay or pressed straw."

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

7. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 4 to 27 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

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

2. DEATH OF EDWARD COUGHLAN WARDE.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House expresses its sincere sorrow at the death of the Honorable Member for Flemington, Edward Coughlan Warde, and desires to place on record its appreciation of the ability, fair-mindedness, and geniality which characterized him throughout his twenty-five years' service as a Member of the Legislative Assembly (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after Mr. Speaker and other Honorable Members had addressed the House in support of the motion, Honorable Members rising in their places, agreed to in silence.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

Motion made and question—That, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Edward Coughlan Warde, the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the Sessional Orders giving precedence to Private Bill Business and General Business on Thursday, 16th July, and on every third Thursday thereafter during the present Session, and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business, be suspended for the remainder of the Session; that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business during each sitting day; and that fresh business may be called on at any hour (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Land Act 1915.—Particulars of a Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under Section 110.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to Presumptions of Survivorship in regard to Claims to Property.*"
5. CONVEYANCING BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Eggleston the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. SUPPLY.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
8. MALVERN LAND BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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. TAMBO LAND 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.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 22 to 27 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

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:—
Land Act 1915—Compulsory Resumption of part of Crown Portion 40A, at Maffra, Parish of Bundalaguah, County of Tanjil, for the purposes of the Department of Agriculture.—Certificate of the Minister of Agriculture, with Plan.

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3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Superannuation Bill with an amendment.
And the said amendment is as follows :—
1. Clause 13, page 10, line 28, omit “and.”
And the said amendment was read a second time and agreed to with the following consequential amendment :—Clause 13, page 10, line 29, after the word “Fourth” insert the words “and Fifth.”
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.
4. SUPPLY.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the Superannuation Bill.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 26 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 46

THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

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 :—
Forests Commission.—Sixth Annual Report of the Forests Commission of Victoria for the financial year 1924-25.
3. SUPPLY.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress ; to sit again on Tuesday next.
4. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—Read the third time.
On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock the following amendments were, after debate, made in this Bill :—
Clause 2, line 18, omit the words “a master” and insert the words “an employer.”
Clause 4, line 21, omit the words “such indentures” and insert the words “indentures so in force.”
Clause 7, line 12, after the word “member” insert the words “being a competent and impartial person with a general knowledge of educational and of industrial matters, a knowledge of technical education and proved administrative ability.”
Clause 21, sub-section (1), line 11, omit the word “age” and insert the word “ages.”
“ ” sub-section (1), line 24, omit the words “the times in each week” and insert the words “times in any prescribed period.”
“ ” sub-section (1), lines 30-31, omit the words “but such time in working hours shall not exceed four hours” and insert the words “but so that the number of hours during which an apprentice or applicant for apprenticeship employed on probation shall be absent from work shall not exceed an average of four hours per week during any such prescribed period.”
“ ” sub-section (1), lines 43-45, omit the words “a wages board or the court of industrial appeals” and insert the words “any competent industrial authority.”
“ ” page 13, line 4, omit the words “or the rates of pay.”
“ ” page 13, line 8, after the word “proficiency” insert the following paragraph :—
“(i) prescribing payments to apprentices during absence from work through sickness.”
“ ” page 13, line 13, omit the letter “(g)” and insert the letter “(h).”

- Clause 23, sub-section (1), line 43, after the word "concerned" omit the expression "(a) shall estimate" and insert the words "shall recommend to the Minister."
- " sub-section (1), page 14, lines 3 20, after the word "months" omit all words to the end of the sub-section.
- Clause 24, line 24, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " line 27, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 26, sub-section (1), line 9, omit the words "a master" and insert the words "an employer."
- " sub-section (2), line 20, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " sub-section (4), line 33, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " sub-section (4), line 34, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 27, paragraph (3), line 8, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " paragraph (3), line 13, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " paragraph (3), line 16, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 28, sub-section (1), line 30, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 18, line 1, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 18, line 4, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 18, line 6, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 18, line 8, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 18, line 14, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 29, sub-section (1), line 19, omit the word "Any" and insert the words "Subject to the approval of the Commission any."
- " sub-section (1), line 21, omit the words "and approval of the Commission."
- " sub-section (2), line 22, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 30, line 27, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 31, sub-section (2), line 40, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 19, line 1, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 19, line 6, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 33, sub-section (1), line 9, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 35, sub-section (2), line 33, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 36, sub-section (1), line 38, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " sub-section (1), line 39, omit the word "prescribed" and insert the words "provided for."
- " sub-section (1), line 40, omit the word "an" and insert the words "any competent."
- " sub-section (1), line 40, after the word "authority" omit all words to the end of the sub-section.
- " page 22, line 11, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 22, line 26, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 22, line 38, omit the words "master the master" and insert the words "employer, the employer."
- " page 22, line 39, omit the words "by this section" and insert the words "by or under this Act."
- " page 22, line 43, omit the word "masters" and insert the word "employers."
- Clause 38, sub-section (1), line 15, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " sub-section (1), line 19, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " sub-section (2), line 36, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " sub-section (2), line 38, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 24, line 2, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 40, line 32, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " line 37, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " line 41, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 25, line 2, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 25, line 3, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " page 25, line 5, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 41, line 10, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " line 13, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 42, line 16, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- " line 23, omit the words "master and the new master" and insert the words "employer and the new employer."
- Clause 47, line 28, omit the word "master" and insert the word "employer."
- Clause 50, line 12, after the word "magistrate" insert the words "sitting without justices."

Mr. Blackburn offered the following new clauses to be added to the Bill:—

D. Where a person is apprenticed to partners his indentures of apprenticeship shall not be determined by reason only of the death or retirement of any partner, but shall be deemed to be assigned to the surviving or continuing partners.

E. Unless the Commission otherwise determines upon the sale of the business of any employer or of any part thereof the indentures of apprenticeship of any apprentice bound to any apprenticeship trade which may form part of the business sold shall be deemed to be assigned to the purchaser of such business.

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

Mr. Lemmon offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

C. In any professional or scientific pursuit in which a term of apprenticeship is prescribed by regulation or otherwise the statutory body or board appointed under any Act of Parliament which has control of the course of training of apprentices engaged in such profession or scientific pursuit may make regulations within the scope of this Act subject to the approval in writing of the Apprenticeship Commission and the Minister.

And the said clause was, after debate, by leave, withdrawn.

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

5. STREET TRADING BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed: Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress; to sit again on Tuesday next.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 10 inclusive be postponed until after No. 11.
7. JUSTICES BILL. Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Blackburn*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 be postponed until after No. 5.
9. POLICE OFFENCES (RACE MEETINGS) BILL. Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 and Nos. 6 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after No. 10.
11. POLICE OFFENCES BILL (No. 2).—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 4, Nos. 6 to 9 inclusive, and Nos. 12 to 14 inclusive be postponed until after No. 15.
13. FISHERIES BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and that Mr. Prendergast have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 4, Nos. 6 to 9 inclusive, Nos. 12 to 14 inclusive, and Nos. 16 to 24 inclusive be postponed until after No. 25.
15. SUPREME COURT BILL. Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Blackburn*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 4, Nos. 6 to 9 inclusive, Nos. 12 to 14 inclusive, and Nos. 16 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
17. OPTICIANS REGISTRATION BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 21 to 24 inclusive, No. 26, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 47.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DEATH OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN ALEXANDRA.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That this House do agree to the following Address to His Majesty the King:—

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our heartfelt sympathy with Your Majesty, Your Royal Consort Her Majesty Queen Mary, and the Royal Family in your great sorrow at the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

We gratefully acknowledge the example set by Her Majesty Queen Alexandra during her long and noble life by her truly christian devotion to duty, deep womanly feeling for and ready sympathy with the sick and afflicted, and her loving care for children.

In common with all the Empire we mourn the loss of a noble Queen and Mother.

—(*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after Mr. Prendergast had addressed the House in support of the motion, Honorable Members rising in their places, unanimously agreed to in silence.

Motion made and question—That this House do agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Governor:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate, by cable, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the accompanying Address, for presentation to His Majesty the King.

—(*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

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

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made and question—That, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Queen-Mother, the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 48.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Pennington, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts (Government Cool Stores, Victoria Dock).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Acquainting the Assembly that they have concurred in adopting the Address to His Majesty the King relating to the Death of Queen Alexandra, and the Address to the Governor requesting him to communicate the said Address to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to the King, and that they have filled up the blanks in the said Addresses with the words "Legislative Council and the."

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4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—JOINT ADDRESS ON DEATH OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 27.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, transmitted by cable to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, for presentation to His Majesty the King, the joint Address of Sympathy passed by both Houses of the Legislature of Victoria on the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

State Government House,
Melbourne, 25th November, 1925.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 28.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, 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 make provision on a Contributory Basis for Superannuation Benefits for certain Public Officers and Employés and Benefits for certain of their Dependants, and for other purposes.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 24th November, 1925.

6. PAPERS.—Dr. Argyle presented—

Fines under Dairy, Fertilizers, Health (Pure Food), Factories, Weights and Measures, and Bakers and Millers Acts.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 6th October, 1925.

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 :—

Fisheries Acts.—Notice of Intention to vary the Proclamation *re* Use of Long Lines in Port Phillip Bay (including Corio and Hobson's Bays).

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of part of Crown portion 73, at Collingwood, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

State Electricity Commission Act 1918.—Sixth Annual Report of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria for the financial year ended 30th June, 1925; together with Appendices.—Ordered to be printed.

7. TEACHERS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Sir Alexander Peacock*).

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next, and that Mr. Prendergast have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

8. STREET TRADING BILL.—Further considered in Committee.
Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 25 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 49.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

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 :—

Hospitals and Charities Act 1922.—Compulsory Resumption of Crown Allotment 13, Section 200, at Drummond-street, Carlton, Parish of Jika Jika, County of Bourke, for the purposes of the Children's Hospital, Melbourne.—Certificate of the Treasurer.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 29.

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 *Motor Omnibus Act 1924* and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1925.

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

4. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 29.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Motor Omnibus Act 1924* and for other purposes.

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

Ordered That Mr. Eggleston and Dr. Argyle do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Eggleston then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Motor Omnibus Act 1924' and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

5. SUPPLY. Motion made and question That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*) put and agreed to.

House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Committee reported progress; to sit again this day.

6. SUPPLY. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolution to be reported this day.

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

7. SUPPLY.—Mr. Billson reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved That a sum not exceeding £1,385,914 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1925–26, viz. :—

Division No.	£
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	94
4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	342
5. Engineers—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	46
6. The Library—Salaries	36
7. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	193
8. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	640
9. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,590
10. " " Pensions, &c.	5,840
11. " " Grants	100
12. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	547
13. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	540
14. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	248
16. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	590
17. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	126
18. The Governor's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	39
19. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	378
20. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	28
21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	492
22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	299
23. Agent General—Staff and Office	800
24. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,261
25. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,050
26. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	35,876
27. Children's Welfare, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	27,610
28. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,730
29. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	54,000
30. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,205
31. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ...	256
32. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,470
33. Education—Salaries	197,000
34. " Ordinary Expenditure	16,000
35. " Pensions, &c.	15
36. " Works and Buildings	1,500
37. " Endowments and Grants	453
38. " Exceptional Expenditure	32

Division No.	£
39. Attorney General -Salaries	10,034
40. " " Ordinary Expenditure	2,392
41. Solicitor-General- Salaries	5,682
42. " " Ordinary Expenditure	1,910
43. " " Exceptional Expenditure	42
44. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	3,250
45. " Transport, &c.	541
46. " Unforeseen Expenditure	500
47. " Payments to Railway Department	2,000
48. " Charitable Grant, &c.	15,000
49. " Pensions, &c.	64
50. " Exceptional Expenditure	2,000
51. Taxation Office --Administration - Salaries	91
53. " " Land Tax -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,971
54. " " Death Duties -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	285
55. Curator --Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	170
56. Government Printer--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	8,124
57. " " Exceptional Expenditure	238
58. " " Advertising	317
59. Survey, &c., Crown Lands -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,688
60. Public Parks, &c. -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	67
62. Botanic, &c., Gardens and National Herbarium - Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... ..	1,272
63. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c. -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	8,040
64. Works and Buildings	119
65. Crown Lands--Exceptional Expenditure	1,287
66. Immigration Bureau -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,492
67. Public Works --Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,950
68. Ports and Harbours -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,608
69. " " Works, &c.	3,840
72. Public Works--Works and Buildings	36,500
75. " " Exceptional Expenditure	40
76. Mines --Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,356
77. " Furtherance of Mining Industry	2,100
79. State Forests--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	9,000
80. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission --Salaries, &c.	19,000
81. Agriculture--Administrative -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	1,410
82. " Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	5,523
83. Horticulture--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	2,523
84A. Exceptional Expenditure	150
85. Stock and Dairy--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,114
86. Export Development--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	4,161
87. Public Health -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	6,148
88. " " Grants	584
89. Railways--Working Expenses, &c.	788,247
90. " Pensions, &c.	870
91. " Railway Construction Branch	1,092
92. State Coal Mine--Working Expenses	49,066
Total	<u>£1,385,914</u>

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

Motion made and question--That out of amounts already voted by the Committee of Supply, but not yet reported to the House, a sum not exceeding £1,027 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1925-26, viz. :--

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	114
2. Legislative Assembly--Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	913
Total	<u>£1,027</u>

—(Mr. Allan)—put and agreed to.

8. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

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

Resolved--That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1925-26 the sum of £1,386,941 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

10. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (NO. 6).—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and eighty-six thousand nine hundred and forty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time, after debate.
Ordered That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 23 inclusive be postponed until after No. 24
12. CONVEYANCING BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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 without amendment.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after No. 9.
14. GEELONG (HARBOR TRUST) LAND BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time, after debate.
Ordered That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive and Nos. 10 to 18 inclusive be postponed until after No. 19.
16. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. McDonald—Polwarth*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
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, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive and Nos. 10 to 16 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
18. CRIMES BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 18 and Nos. 20 to 23 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
20. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 50.

TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **ISSUE OF WRIT.**—Mr. Speaker announced that, on Friday, 20th November last, he had issued a writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Flemington, in the place of Edward Coughlan Warde, Esq., deceased.
3. **RETURN TO WRIT.**—Mr. Speaker also announced that he had received a return to the foregoing Writ, by which it appeared that John Joseph Holland had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
4. **MEMBER SWORN.**—John Joseph Holland, Esq., was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.
5. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—Mr. Hjorth 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 unsatisfactory water supply at Altona, Sunshine, Essendon, Broadmeadows, and Epping."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Hjorth*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
6. **PAPERS.**—Mr. Eggleston presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth and purchased for the use of the Railway Department during the period from 1st July, 1923, to 30th June, 1924.

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 :—

Coal Mines Regulation Act 1915.—State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines; including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet, and Statement of Accounts, duly audited, &c., for the year 1924–25.

Public Works Loan Application Act 1911.—Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts of the Victoria Dock Cool Stores; together with the Report of the Manager thereof on the Operations of the Stores for the year ended 30th June, 1925.

Water Acts.—Declaration of the Minister of Water Supply under the Acts with reference to the constitution of the proposed Fish Point Irrigation and Water Supply District; together with Plan showing the Area.

7. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MUNICIPAL SINKING FUNDS BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 30.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Sinking Funds.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 26th November, 1925.

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

8. **MUNICIPAL SINKING FUNDS BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 30.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Sinking Funds.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill relating to Municipal Sinking Funds*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL. The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 31.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the State Savings Bank Acts and to further amend the *Housing and Reclamation Act 1920*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 1st December, 1925.

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

10. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message, No. 31.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the State Savings Bank Acts and to further amend the *Housing and Reclamation Act 1920*.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the State Savings Bank Acts and to further amend the ‘Housing and Reclamation Act 1920’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.

12. STREET TRADING BILL.—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time.

On the motion of Dr. Argyle the following further amendments were made in this Bill :—

Clause 4, paragraph (c), line 30, omit the word “and.”

“ paragraph (c), line 30, at the end of the paragraph insert the following paragraph :—

“(d) any public vehicle plying for hire and licensed pursuant to any Act.”

“ line 30, omit the letter “(d)” and insert the letter “(e).”

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

13. REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES BILL.—Mr. Allan obtained leave, with Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*), to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make further provision with respect to the Registration of Vehicles and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

14. RURAL BANK BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Sir Alexander Peacock*).

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

15. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Sir Alexander Peacock*).

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and agreed to.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 24 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 51.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1925.

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 :—
Dried Fruits Act 1924.—Grading and Packing Regulations.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 6) without amendment.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 32.

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

“ *An Act to make provision with respect to Presumptions of Survivorship in regard to Claims to Property.* ”

“ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and eighty-six thousand nine hundred and forty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 2nd December, 1925.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Twenty-one of the University Act 1923.* ”
6. UNIVERSITY BILL. On the motion of Mr. Eggleston the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—WARBURTON (LA LA EXTENSION) TO BIG PAT'S CREEK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 33.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 26th November, 1925.

- Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
8. WARBURTON (LA LA EXTENSION) TO BIG PAT'S CREEK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 33.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Farthing reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—
Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek.
And, after debate, the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered That Mr. Eggleston and Mr. Mackrell do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Mr. Eggleston then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
 9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTOR CAR BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Dr. Argyle, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 34.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Motor Car Act 1915* and Part II. of the *Highways and Vehicles Act 1924*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th November, 1925.

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

10. **MOTOR CAR BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 34.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Motor Car Act 1915* and Part II. of the *Highways and Vehicles Act 1924*.

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

Ordered—That Dr. Argyle and Mr. Eggleston do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Dr. Argyle then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Motor Car Act 1915' and Part II. of the 'Highways and Vehicles Act 1924'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

11. **ELECTORAL DISTRICTS BILL.**—Motion made and question proposed—That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Redivision of the State of Victoria into Electoral Districts for the Legislative Assembly and for other purposes*" (*Sir Alexander Peacock for Dr. Argyle*)—and, after debate—

Amendment proposed—That the words "and the Legislative Council" be inserted after the word "Assembly" (*Mr. Clough*)—and, after debate—

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 21.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Clough	Mr. Slater
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Holland	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Frost
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

Noes, 29.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	<i>(Polwarth)</i>
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Billson	Mr. Morley
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate on original motion resumed.

Question—put and agreed to.

Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

12. **MENTAL DEFICIENCY BILL.**—Dr. Argyle obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to make further and better provision for the Care of Feeble-minded and other Mentally Defective Persons and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. **DRIED FRUITS BILL.**—Colonel Bouchier, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. Mackrell, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Dried Fruits Act 1924' and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
15. **CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.**—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 13 to 24 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAYS BILL (No. 2).—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make provision for the Appointment of certain Persons temporarily employed in the Railway Service to Permanent Offices therein*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Webber*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
4. REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Allan*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Hogan*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 17 inclusive be postponed until after No. 18.
6. UNIVERSITY BILL.—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 without amendment.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after No. 9.
8. FISHERIES BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time.
Ordered—That the consideration of amendments after the third reading of this Bill be made an Order of the Day for this day.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after No. 5.
10. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*)—and, after debate—
Motion made and question proposed—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—and, after debate
Motion made and question—That the question be now put (*Mr. Allan*)—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Allan	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Angus	Mr. Morley
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Barnes	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Billson	Mr. Toutcher
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lind	
Mr. Mackrell	
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Greenwood
(<i>Polwarth</i>)	Mr. Groves

Noes, 21.

Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hayes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Hogan	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Holland	Mr. Webber
Mr. Jewell	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question--That the debate be now adjourned--accordingly put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Billson	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Allan	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	Mr. Morley
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy	Dr. Argyle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Barnes	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Clough	Mr. Solly	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Cook	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Frost		Mr. Everard	Mr. West
Mr. Hayes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Farthing	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Hogan	(<i>Daylesford</i>)	Mr. Lind	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Holland	Mr. Webber	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Greenwood
		Mr. McDonald	Mr. Groves
		(<i>Pokwarth</i>)	

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate on question-- That this Bill be now read a second time--resumed.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock--

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Debate continued.

11. MR. SPEAKER--TEMPORARY RELIEF TO.--Motion made and question--That, during any unavoidable absence of Mr. Deputy-Speaker during the present Session, Mr. Speaker be authorized to call upon any of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees to temporarily relieve him in the Chair (*Mr. Allan*)--put and agreed to.
12. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS BILL.--Debate on question--That this Bill be now read a second time--resumed.

Mr. McDonald (*Daylesford*) addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of forty-five minutes--

Motion made and question--That the Honorable Member be allowed to continue his speech for a further period not exceeding thirty minutes (*Mr. Tunnecliffe*)--put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allan	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	Mr. Morley
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Cain	Mr. McLachlan	Mr. Barnes	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Clough	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Bowser	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly	Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Everard	
Mr. Holland		Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Lind	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Groves
		Mr. McDonald	Mr. Pennington
		(<i>Pokwarth</i>)	

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate on second reading continued.

Mr. Tunnecliffe addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of forty-five minutes--

Motion made and question--That the Honorable Member be allowed to continue his speech for a further period not exceeding thirty minutes (*Mr. Frost*)--put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cain	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Clough	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cook	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Frost	Mr. Webber
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Holland	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jewell	
Mr. McAdam	

Tellers.

	Mr. Hayes
	Mr. McDonald
	(<i>Daylesford</i>)

Noes, 25.

Mr. Allan	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Angus	Mr. Morley
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Barnes	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Toutcher
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Mackrell	
Mr. McDonald	
(<i>Polwarth</i>)	

Tellers.

	Mr. Groves
	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate on second reading further continued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Allan	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Allison	Mr. Morley
Mr. Angus	Mr. Oman
Dr. Argyle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Billson	Mr. Walter
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. West
Mr. Downward	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Mackrell	
Mr. McDonald	
(<i>Polwarth</i>)	

Tellers.

	Mr. Groves
	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Holland	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	

Tellers.

	Mr. Hayes
	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed.

Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee on Tuesday next.

13. FISHERIES BILL.—Order read for the consideration of amendments after the third reading—and, after debate—

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

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive, Nos. 10 to 17 inclusive Nos. 19 to 30 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Geelong (Harbor Trust) Land Bill without amendment.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA. — VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 53.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1925.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Outer Ports Development.—Second Progress Report of the Royal Commission; Portland Harbour, and a Review dealing generally with Economic Conditions affecting Outer Ports; together with Aerial Views, Maps, and Appendices.

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:—

Education Act 1915.—Regulation added.—Regulation XXXVII. (A)—Joint Councils for Technical Schools and District High Schools or Higher Elementary Schools.

Geelong Harbour Trust Act 1915.—Accounts of the Geelong Harbour Trust Commissioners for the year 1924.

Land Acts.—Compulsory Resumption of part of Crown Allotment 2, Parish of Bylands, County of Dalhousie, for the purposes of the Education Acts.—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction, with Plan.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ended 30th September, 1925.

Water Acts.—Declaration of the Minister of Water Supply under the Acts with reference to the constitution of the proposed Avoca Marsh Drainage District; together with Plan showing the Area.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR —ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read:—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 35.

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

“*An Act to amend Section Twenty-one of the ‘University Act 1923.’*”

“*An Act to provide for the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Corio County of Grant and for other purposes.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1925.

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

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 36.

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 Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1925.

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

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 36.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Downward and Colonel Bouchier do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Downward then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Downward*).

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

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

6. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day, Government Business, were, after debate, read and discharged :—

Police Offences (Race Meetings) Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Forests Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Police Offences Bill (No. 2)—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Trusts (Trustee Companies) Bill—Second reading.

Crimes Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Pharmaceutical Chemists Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Dentists Registration Bill—(from Council)—Second reading.

Ministry of Health Bill—Second reading.

Health Bill—(from Council)—Second reading.

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive, Nos. 13 to 20 inclusive, Nos. 24 and 26, and Nos. 29 to 31 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 54.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1925.

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

2. STATE SAVINGS BANK—LEGAL CHARGES PAID BY BANK AND BORROWERS, 1922-25.—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of legal charges paid by the State Savings Bank, and by borrowers therefrom, to solicitors acting for the bank for work done in relation to all transactions of the bank for the years 1922, 1923, 1924, and 1925 respectively, specifying each year—(a) each subject or dealing; (b) amount paid by bank; (c) amount paid by borrowers; and (d) the name of each solicitor or firm of solicitors separately (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and agreed to.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1925.

Health Act 1919.—Third Report of the Commission of Public Health.

Public Service Acts. Regulations.—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI., Department of Agriculture.

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Webber 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 failure of the Government to order an inquiry into the suspicious circumstances surrounding the presentation by a person in raided premises in Fitzroy of a police badge belonging to the Chief Commissioner of Police."

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

Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Webber*) put and, after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane	Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allison	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Barnes	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Billson	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly	Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Everard	
Mr. Hughes		Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Old
		Mr. Lind	

And so it passed in the negative.

5. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS BILL. Considered in Committee.

Committee reported progress; to sit again to-morrow.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 23 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker

No. 55.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1925.

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:—

Land Act 1915.—Report of the Department of Lands and Survey for the financial year ended 30th June, 1925.

3. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT.—Motion made and question—That, in the opinion of this House, the Government has been guilty—(a) of deliberate withholding of important legislation, whereby long-expected and necessary measures have been delayed so long that their enactment this Session is impossible; (b) of tyrannous abuse of the procedure and forms of the House by attempting to force through the Electoral Districts Bill without accordng a fair opportunity for its consideration; (c) of initiating legislation with the object of perpetuating minority rule in this State; (d) of negligent omission to secure purity of administration in the Police Department; and (e) generally, of negligent and dilatory

administration of the affairs of this State; and that for the above reasons the Government does not possess the confidence of this House or of the country (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 33.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane	Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allison	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Dunloxford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	(<i>Pobruath</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Billson	Mr. Old
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater	Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly	Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Holland		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment :—

Tambo Land Bill.
Malvern Land Bill.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Local Government Acts.* ”
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL. On the motion of Mr. McDonald (*Pobruath*) the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to further amend the ‘ Factories and Shops Act 1915.’* ”
8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL. On the motion of Mr. Wallace the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR RAILWAYS BILL (No. 2). The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read :

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 37.

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 make provision for the Appointment of certain Persons temporarily employed in the Railway Service to Permanent Offices therein.

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Melbourne, 9th December, 1925.

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

10. RAILWAYS BILL (No. 2).—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message, No. 37.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to make provision for the Appointment of certain Persons temporarily employed in the Railway Service to Permanent Offices therein.

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

11. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MALLEE LAND ACCOUNT BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 38.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Mallee Land Account.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 9th December, 1925.

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

12. MALLEE LAND ACCOUNT BILL. Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 38.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved- That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to the Mallee Land Account.

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

Ordered- That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled " *A Bill relating to the Mallee Land Account* " ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

13. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR--MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL. The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 39.

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 relating to Municipal Endowment.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1925.

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

14. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.-- Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 39.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment.

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

Ordered- That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled " *A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment* " ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

15. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR--VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) ACT 1924 AMENDMENT BILL. The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :--

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 40.

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 Schedule to the *Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1925.

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

16. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) ACT 1924 AMENDMENT BILL. Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 40.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Schedule to the *Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924*.

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

Ordered- That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled " *A Bill to amend the Schedule to the ' Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924 '* " ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

17. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR--METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.-- The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read : -

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 41.

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 and to extend the Operation of the *Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Act 1922*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 9th December, 1925.

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

18. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL. Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 41.
House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution : -
Resolved That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend and to extend the Operation of the *Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Act 1922*.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*) do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend and to extend the Operation of the 'Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Act 1922'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

19. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR COMPANIES BILL. The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read : -

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 42.

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 Law relating to Companies.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 26th November, 1925.

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

20. COMPANIES BILL. Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 42.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Resolved - That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Law relating to Companies.

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

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

Mr. Eggleston then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Companies*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

21. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. Ordered - That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 22 inclusive be postponed until after No. 23.

22. WAYS AND MEANS.--The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means ; resolution to be reported this day.

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

23. WAYS AND MEANS.--INCOME TAX. Mr. Billson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution : -

Resolved -

That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the Consolidated Revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say) : -

(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds--

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Fourpence ; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds --

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fivepence ;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Sixpence ;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Sevenpence ; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Eightpence ;

(b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Eightpence ; and

- (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds--
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Tenpence ;
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Twelvepence ;
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence ;
 and
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Sixteenpence ;
- (c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows :--
- (i) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds
 An amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (ii) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds
 An amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (iii) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds
 An amount equal to fifteen per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (iv) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds--
 An amount equal to twenty per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ; and
- (v) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds--
 An amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)--
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Seventeenpence ;
- (e) On the income of a mutual life assurance company--
 (i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence ; and
 (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Seventeenpence :

Provided that, where the articles of association of a life assurance company provide that a percentage of its profits is to be distributed among the life assurance policy-holders of the company, then, for the purposes of this resolution, the rate for every pound sterling of the amount represented by the like percentage of the taxable amount of the income of the company from life assurance business shall be Twelvepence, and the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the remainder of the income of the company shall be Seventeenpence :

Provided further that a person (not being a company) whose income from personal exertion and the produce of property during the year immediately preceding the year of assessment did not exceed Two hundred pounds shall not unless otherwise provided in the Income Tax Acts be liable to tax :

Provided further that where any person (not being a company) derives income both from personal exertion and from the produce of property and the total income so derived exceeds Five hundred pounds, then for the purposes of this resolution the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income derived from each source shall be the same as if the income from each such source exceeded Five hundred pounds.

Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this resolution, where a person would, apart from this provision of this resolution, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Five shillings the tax payable by that person shall be Five shillings.

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

Ordered--That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

24. INCOME TAX BILL. Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to continue the Income Tax Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

25. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
26. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed.
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Oman*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
27. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.** Agreeing to the Fisheries Bill with an amendment.
Ordered—That the said amendment be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
28. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Two o'clock (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
29. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 22 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until Tuesday next :—
Income Tax Bill—Second reading.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 56.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. YALLOURN BROWN COAL MINE RAILWAY DEVIATION.—Mr. Deany, Vice-Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the brown coal workings at Yallourn with the existing railway system at a point west of the Haunted Hills by means of a direct 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway with easy gradients, or by means of a diversion of the existing railway between Moe and Morwell, and the working of traffic over the present railway route or any new route by steam or electric traction; together with Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1925.
 - Friendly Societies Act 1915 and Trade Unions Act 1915.—Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1924.
 - Probate and Administration Rules.—Repeal of Rule 10 (a) in Chapter III. of the Rules of the Supreme Court 1916.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 43.*

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

“ *An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Tambo as a Site for Camping and affording Access to Water and to provide for the Temporary Reservation of Portion thereof for purposes of Public Recreation and Portion as a Site for Camping and affording Access to Water and for other purposes.*”

“ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Permanent Reservation of certain Land situate at Malvern and the Permanent Reservation of such Land for Municipal Purposes and for the transfer to His Majesty of certain other Land situate at Malvern now used for Municipal purposes and the Permanent Reservation thereof for purposes of Public Recreation.*”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1925.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Two o'clock (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

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 authorize the Raising of Money for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1925.

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

7. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 44.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Eggleston and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Eggleston then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Eggleston, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 45.

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 Section Six of the *State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Act 1922*.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1925.

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

9. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 45.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend Section Six of the *State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Act 1922*.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Eggleston and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Eggleston then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend Section Six of the State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Act 1922*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

10. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—DRIED FRUITS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Colonel Bouchier, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 46.

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 *Dried Fruits Act 1924* and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th December, 1925.

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

11. DRIED FRUITS BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 46.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Billson reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to amend the *Dried Fruits Act 1924* and for other purposes.

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

12. INCOME TAX BILL. Motion made and question proposed That this Bill be now read a second time
(*Sir Alexander Peacock*) and, after debate
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Allison	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 27.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Holland	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time, after debate.

Motion made and question proposed—That the following amendment be made in this Bill:—
Clause 2, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), sub-paragraph (i), line 17, omit the word “Fourpence”
and insert the word “Threepence” (*Mr. Prendergast*)—and, after debate—

Motion made and question—That the question be now put (*Mr. Allan*)—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Allison	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Old

Noes, 26.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Slater
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Allison	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Old

Noes, 26.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Slater
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 21 inclusive be postponed until after No. 22.
14. **FISHERIES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment is as follows :—
 Clause 6, page 3, line 2, omit “ week ” and insert “ month.”
 And, after debate, 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.
15. **DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—The following Orders of the Day, Government Business, were read and discharged :—
Companies Bill—*Second reading.*
Justices Bill—*Second reading*—*Resumption of debate.*
Supreme Court Bill—*Second reading*—*Resumption of debate.*
Local Government Acts Amendment Bill—*(from Council)*—*Second reading.*
 Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive, Nos. 14 to 17 inclusive, Nos. 20 and 21, Nos. 23 to 28 inclusive, and Nos. 30 and 31 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.
- And then the House, at eight minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 57.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY.**—Motion made, by leave, and question—That Friday next be an additional sitting day, on which day the House shall meet at half-past Ten o'clock ; that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business ; and that fresh business may be called on at any hour (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
3. **MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2).**—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Allan, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.**—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; debate resumed ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee.
 Committee reported progress ; to sit again to-morrow.
8. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Returning the Income Tax Bill, and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggesting amendments.
 Ordered—That the said suggested amendments be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 27 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 58.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **CLOTHING, WHITEWORK, DRESSMAKING, HAT AND CAP, DYEING AND CLEANING, AND MILLINERY FACTORIES AND WORK-ROOMS.**—Motion made and question—That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of factories and work-rooms in Victoria engaged in the manufacture of men's and boys' clothing (order and ready-made); whiteworkers; dressmakers; straw hat makers; dyers and cleaners; cap makers; milliners and other allied trades; and the names of the registered proprietors in each instance (*Mr. Lemmon for Mr. Cain*)—put and agreed to.
3. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Brownbill, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Printing Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. **PAPERS.**—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
State Savings Bank—Legal Charges paid by Bank and Borrowers, 1922–25.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th December, 1925.
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 :—
Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.—Eighteenth Balance-sheet of the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust as at 30th June, 1925.
5. **SUPPLY.**—Motion made and question—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.**—Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time.
On the motion of Mr. Old the following further amendment was, after debate, made in this Bill :—
Clause 11, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), line 43, after the word "lease" insert the words "and in the case of lands not likely to be reproductive or remunerative for any period not exceeding four years the period may be extended to thirteen years."
On the motion of Mr. Bailey the following further amendment was, after debate, made in this Bill :—
Clause 12, sub-section (1), line 36, after the words "adverse circumstances" insert the words "or by reason of the insufficiency of area of the land occupied by him or of the overvaluation of such land or of the overcharge for the buildings thereon."
Mr. Hogan offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—
(1. At the end of sub-section (2) of section fourteen of the *Closer Settlement Act 1915* there shall be inserted the words :— "Provided that all moneys received by the Board in respect of capital or principal arising from the sale or disposal of land shall be applied only to the redemption of stock and debentures."
And the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.
Mr. Bond offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—
D. Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of section twelve of this Act the Board may in any case, and on the application of any lessee shall, review the cost of any building erected for a lessee and shall in each case reviewed report to the Minister the amount (if any) by which the cost of such building has in its opinion exceeded a reasonable price for such building, and the debt of the lessee shall to the extent of such excess be cancelled and written off.
And 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.
7. **PAPER.**—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Outer Ports Development.—Third Progress Report of the Royal Commission; Warrnambool Harbour; together with Aerial and Other Views, Maps, and Appendices,
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

8. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council on consideration of the Bill in Committee in this Bill having been read, the said suggested amendments are as follow:—

1. Clause 2, page 2, line 17, omit "Fourpence" and insert "Threepence."
2. " " " 22, omit "Fivepence" and insert "Fourpence."
3. " " " 26, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fivepence."
4. " " " 30, omit "Sevenpence" and insert "Sixpence."
5. " " " 33, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sevenpence."
6. " " " 39, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sixpence."
7. " " page 3, line 5, omit "Tenpence" and insert "Eightpence."
8. " " " 9, omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Tenpence."
9. " " " 13, omit "Fourteenpence" and insert "Twelvepence."
10. " " " 16, omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Fourteenpence."
11. " " page 4, line 19, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."
12. " " " 28, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."
13. " " " 38, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."

Suggested amendment No. 1—Motion made and question—That this House do not make this amendment suggested by the Legislative Council (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate—
The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Allison	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Morley
Mr. Baird	Mr. Old
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Farthing
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves

Noes, 28.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Dunblesford</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Suggested amendment not made.

Suggested amendments Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive not made.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

9. TEACHERS BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time.

Ordered—That the consideration of amendments after the third reading of this Bill be made an Order of the Day for this day.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Street Trading Bill with amendments.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Returning the Income Tax Bill, and, on the consideration of the Report of the Committee, suggesting amendments.

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

12. RURAL BANK BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed.

Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Bailey*)—put and agreed to.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and that Mr. Bailey have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 32 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Teachers Bill—Consideration of amendments after third reading.

Street Trading Bill—Amendments of the Legislative Council—To be considered.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1924–25.
Dr. Argyle presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Indeterminate Sentences (Crimes Act 1915).—Annual Report of the Indeterminate Sentences Board for the year ended 30th June, 1925.
Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons.—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1924.
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 :—
Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1924.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Angus 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 failure of the Minister to carry out an undertaking given, which may involve a public committee at Wycheproof in considerable monetary loss.”
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Motion made and question—That the House do now adjourn (*Mr. Angus*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (FINANCES) BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Eggleston, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works and to Superannuation and other Benefits for Officers of the said Board and other persons*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
5. FIRE BRIGADES BILL.—Dr. Argyle, pursuant to motion moved, by leave, on his behalf by Mr. Allan, obtained leave, with Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*), to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board to borrow a further sum not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
7. TEACHERS BILL.—Motion made and question—That the following amendment be made in this Bill:—
(Clause 13, paragraph (b), sub-paragraph (i), line 19, omit the words “one position” and insert the words “two positions” (*Mr. Cain*)—put and, after debate, negatived.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. RURAL BANK BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed.
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Allan*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 and Nos. 5 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after No. 12.
10. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.
11. ELECTRIFICATION OF ELTHAM TO HURSTBRIDGE RAILWAY.—Motion made, by leave, and question—
That there be laid before this House a Copy of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act 1925 (Electrification of Eltham to Hurstbridge Railway); together with Minutes of Evidence (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.
12. PAPER.—Mr. Eggleston presented—
Electrification of Eltham to Hurstbridge Railway.—Return to the foregoing Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
13. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Returning the Closer Settlement Bill, and, on the consideration of the Bill in Committee, suggesting amendments.
Ordered—That the said suggested amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.
14. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Teachers Bill without amendment.

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

Companies Act 1915.—Summary of Statements for the year 1924 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after No. 3.

17. STREET TRADING 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 are as follow :—

1. Clause 1, at the end of the clause add “and shall come into operation on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.”
2. Clause 4, page 3, lines 2-3, omit “or in any house or building near a public place.”
3. „ page 3, line 4, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen.”
4. „ page 3, lines 9-12, omit—
“(ii) any card book ticket programme or other printed matter relating to a race meeting or a sporting event; or.”
5. „ page 3, lines 13-14, omit “or (iv) any other articles.”
6. „ page 3, line 15, before “but does not include” insert
“(b) Playing singing or performing for profit or boot or shoe cleaning.”
7. „ page 3, line 31, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen.”
8. Clause 5, sub-clause (1), paragraph (b), after “members” insert “one of whom shall be an adult person as representing the association in Melbourne known as the City Newsboys’ Society.”
9. „ sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause.
10. Clause 6, page 5, lines 4-5, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen.”
11. „ page 5, line 9, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen.”
12. „ sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause and insert in lieu thereof the following sub-clause :—

“(2) The following provision shall have effect with respect to the granting and renewal of licences under the regulations :—

No such licence shall be granted to any male person under the age of twelve years or to any female person under the age of twenty-one years.”

And the said amendments were read a second time.

On the motion of Dr. Argyle, and, after debate—

Amendments 1 and 2 agreed to.

Amendment 3 disagreed with, but the following amendment made :—Clause 4, page 3, lines 3-4, after the word “any” omit the words “person under the age of twenty-one years” and insert the words “male person under the age of fourteen years or any female person under the age of twenty-one years.”

Amendments 4 and 5 agreed to.

Amendment 6 agreed to with the following consequential amendments :—

Clause 4, page 3, line 17, after the word “aforesaid” insert the words “or the occasional playing singing or performing as aforesaid.”

„ page 3, line 17, after the word “proceeds” omit the words “of such sale” and insert the word “thereof.”

Amendment 7 disagreed with, but the following amendment made :—Clause 4, page 3, lines 30-32, after the word “means” omit the words “any person engaged in street trading who is under the age of twenty-one years” and insert the following paragraphs :—

“(a) any male person under the age of fourteen years who is engaged in street trading; and
(b) any female person under the age of twenty-one years who is engaged in street trading.”

Amendment 8 agreed to with the following amendment :—After the word “person” insert the word “appointed.”

Amendment 9 agreed to.

Amendment 10 disagreed with, but the following amendment made :—Clause 6, sub-section (1), page 5, paragraph (d), lines 4-6, omit this paragraph and insert the following paragraph :—

“(d) prohibiting any male person of or over the age of twelve years and under the age of fourteen years who is not licensed or any male person under the age of twelve years or any female person under the age of twenty-one years from engaging in street trading.”

Amendment 11 disagreed with, but the following amendment made :—Clause 6, sub-section (1), page 5, paragraph (e), lines 9-10, after the word “any” omit the words “person under the age of twenty-one years who is not licensed” and insert the words “male person of or over the age of twelve years and under the age of fourteen years who is not licensed or any male person under the age of twelve years or any female person under the age of twenty-one years.”

Amendment 12 agreed to with the following amendment :—After the word “granting” omit the words “and renewal.”

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

18. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, Nos. 5 to 11 inclusive, and Nos. 13 to 31 inclusive be postponed until after No. 32.

19. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.
Resolved That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

20. **WAYS AND MEANS—LAND TAX.**—Mr. Brownbill reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—

Resolved—

1. That subject to the Land Tax Acts there shall in the case of each owner of land be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six a duty of land tax upon land for every pound sterling of the unimproved value thereof at such rate as is hereinafter set forth (that is to say) :—

Where the unimproved value or total unimproved value of all land or lands of any owner exceeds Two hundred and fifty pounds the rate of tax payable thereon for the said year shall be : On every pound sterling of its unimproved value—
One half-penny.

2. That in addition to any duty of land tax so payable there shall in the case of each such owner be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six a super-tax equal to five per centum of the amount of the duty of land tax so payable.

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

Ordered— That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

21. **LAND TAX BILL.**— Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to amend the Land Tax Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

22. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—LAND TAX BILL.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

STRADBROKE,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 47.

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 declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to amend the Land Tax Acts.

(Government Offices,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1925.

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

23. **LAND TAX BILL.**—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 47.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

*Resolved—*That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to amend the Land Tax Acts.

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

Bill read a second time, after debate, 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.

24. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive be postponed until after No. 8.

25. **DRIED FRUITS BILL.**—Read a second time, after debate, 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. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive, and No. 9 be postponed until after Nos. 10 and 11.

27. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL (No. 2).**—Read a second time, after debate, 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. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time, after debate.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
29. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive, No. 9, and Nos. 13 and 14 be postponed until after No. 15.
30. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.

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

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31. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Railway Loan Application Bill without amendment.
32. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive, and Nos. 9, 13, 14, and 16 be postponed until after Nos. 17 and 18.
33. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
34. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*)—and, after debate -- Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Angus*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Monday next.
35. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 5 be postponed until after No. 6.
36. RAILWAYS BILL (No. 2).—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Monday next.
37. ORDER OF THE HOUSE RESCINDED.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the Order of the House for transmitting the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill to the Legislative Council be read and rescinded (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.
And the said Order was thereupon read and rescinded.
38. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.—Motion made and question—That the following amendment be made in this Bill :—Clause 4, line 32, omit the words “ One hundred and twenty-five ” and insert the words “ Two hundred and fifty ” (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
39. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 5, 7, 9, 13, 14, and 16 be postponed until after No. 19.
40. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS) 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.
41. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (FINANCES) BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.
42. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 5, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, and 20 to 23 inclusive be postponed until Monday next.
43. MUNICIPAL SINKING FUNDS 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.
44. WARBURTON (LA LA EXTENSION) TO BIG PAT'S CREEK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.

45. MOTOR CAR BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Dr. Argyle*).
 Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Monday next.

46. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council on the consideration of the Bill in Committee in this Bill having been read, the said suggested amendments are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, line 10, after "*Closer Settlement Act 1915*" insert "as amended by any Act."
2. " at the end of the clause add "and the payment of interest thereon."
3. Clause 5, lines 2-7, omit the words beginning "when adjustments" and ending "Five hundred pounds but" and insert "in the case of any conditional purchase lease of a farm allotment issued before the commencement of this Act, where in the opinion of the Minister after consulting the Board the lessee has a reasonable chance of success if the area of his allotment is increased the Board may increase the value of the area that may be held by him to any amount."
4. Clause 7, sub-clause (3), omit this sub-clause and insert in lieu thereof the following sub-clause :—
 " (3) This section shall be deemed to have come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five."
5. Clause 10, lines 10-11, omit "date of the commencement of the said Act" and insert "first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five."
6. Clause 12, page 7, line 40, omit "has made" and insert "makes."
7. " page 7, lines 42-43, omit "before the commencement of this Act."
8. Clause 14, line 17, omit "he may think reasonable" and insert "the Board may recommend."
9. Clause 16, line 7, omit "section twelve" and insert "the last preceding section."

Motion made and question—That this House do make the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council (*Mr. Downward*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.

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

47. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 27 to 31 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Monday next.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until Monday next :—

Fire Brigades Bill—Second reading.

Rural Bank Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.

48. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next, at Seven o'clock (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
 Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

And then the House, at twenty-one minutes past Seven o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Monday next.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
 Speaker.

VICTORIA.—VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 60.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
3. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed. Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Everard*)—put and, after debate, agreed to. 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, Government Business, Nos. 1, 3, and 4 be postponed until after No. 5.
5. RAILWAYS BILL (No. 2).—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; as amended, considered, and amendment agreed to; read the third time. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments suggested by the Legislative Council on the consideration of the Report of the Committee in this Bill having been read, the said suggested amendments are as follow:—

Amendments suggested by the Legislative Council.		How dealt with.
1.	Clause 2, page 2, line 17, omit "Fourpence" and insert "Threepence."	Suggested amendments not made by the Assembly. — Amendments again suggested on the consideration of the Report of the Committee by the Council.
2.	" " 22, omit "Fivepence" and insert "Fourpence."	
3.	" " 26, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fivepence."	
4.	" " 30, omit "Sevenpence" and insert "Sixpence."	
5.	" " 33, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sevenpence."	
6.	" " 39, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sixpence."	
7.	" page 3, line 5, omit "Tenpence" and insert "Eightpence."	
8.	" " 9, omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Tenpence."	
9.	" " 13, omit "Fourteenpence" and insert "Twelvepence."	
10.	" " 16, omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Fourteenpence."	
11.	" page 4, line 19, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."	
12.	" " 28, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."	
13.	" " 38, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."	

Suggested amendment No. 1—Motion made and question—That this House do not make this amendment suggested by the Legislative Council (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate—The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Noes, 27.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)	Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Baird	Mr. McLachlan	Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley	Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old	Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Downard	Mr. Weaver	Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West	Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall	Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Everard		Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves	Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Suggested amendment not made.

Suggested amendments 2 to 13 inclusive not made.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3, 4, and 6 to 22 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Resolved, after debate—That the House do now adjourn.

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

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

No. 61.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. GEELONG GAS COMPANY BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend 'The Geelong Gas Company's Act 1858'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
3. BLACK ROCK TO BEAUMARIS ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. Eggleston obtained leave, with Dr. Argyle, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Black Rock to Beaumaris Electric Street Railway Act 1920'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
4. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question: That this Bill be now read a second time; 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.
5. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) ACT 1924 AMENDMENT BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. FIRE BRIGADES BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.
7. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 10 inclusive be postponed until after No. 11.
9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.—Motion made and question proposed—That this Bill be now read a second time (*Mr. Eggleston*).
Motion made and question—That the debate be now adjourned (*Mr. Prendergast*)—put and agreed to.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until this day.

10. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day, Government Business, were, after debate, read and discharged :—

Mental Deficiency Bill Second reading.
Opticians Registration Bill (from Council) Second reading Resumption of debate.
Architects Registration Bill (from Council) Second reading Resumption of debate.

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive be postponed until after No. 9.

12. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.

13. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment ; to be considered this day.

14. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment :—

Dried Fruits Bill.
 Land Tax Bill.

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

Motor Omnibus Act 1924.—Amendment of Regulations.—Exemption as regards Structural Arrangements of Motor Omnibuses.

16. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.—Recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of clauses 8 and 10 ; considered in Committee and reported with further amendments ; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to ; read the third time.

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

17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 and 6 be postponed until after No. 7.

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

And having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1925.

Committee reported progress ; to sit again this day.

19. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Returning the Income Tax Bill, and, on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time, suggesting amendments.

And the said suggested amendments are as follow :—

Amendments suggested by the Legislative Council.		How dealt with.
1.	Clause 2, page 2, line 17, omit "Fourpence" and insert "Threepence."	Suggested amendments not made by the Assembly. Amendments again suggested on the consideration of the Report of the Committee by the Council.—Suggested amendments still not made by the Assembly.—Amendments again suggested on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time by the Council.
2.	" " 22, omit "Fivepence" and insert "Fourpence."	
3.	" " 26, omit "Sixpence" and insert "Fivepence."	
4.	" " 30, omit "Sevenpence" and insert "Sixpence."	
5.	" " 33, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sevenpence."	
6.	" " 39, omit "Eightpence" and insert "Sixpence."	
7.	" " page 3, line 5, omit "Tenpence" and insert "Eightpence."	
8.	" " " 9, omit "Twelvepence" and insert "Tenpence."	
9.	" " " 13, omit "Fourteenpence" and insert "Twelvepence."	
10.	" " " 16, omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Fourteenpence."	
11.	" " page 4, line 19, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."	
12.	" " " 28, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."	
13.	" " " 38, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence."	

Suggested amendment No. 1—Motion made and question—That this House do not make this amendment suggested by the Legislative Council (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and, after debate—

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.		Noes, 28.	
Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Keane
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwart</i>)	Mr. Cain	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old	Mr. Clough	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman	Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Touthcher	Mr. Frost	Mr. Slater
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Solly
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Downward	Mr. West	Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall	Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Eggleston		Mr. Holland	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Farthing		Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. —Suggested amendment not made.

Suggested amendments Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive not made.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.

20. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—

Agreeing to the amendments in the Street Trading Bill made by the Assembly on the amendments of the Council in clause 5 and new sub-clause (2) of clause 6 and to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly in clause 4, and not insisting on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly in clauses 4 and 6, but agreeing to the amendments made by the Assembly in the said clauses.

Agreeing to the Closer Settlement Bill, including the amendments made by the Assembly which were suggested by the Council, without amendment.

Agreeing to the following Bills without amendment:—

- Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Bill (No. 2).
- Public Works Loan Application Bill.
- Municipal Endowment Bill.
- Country Roads Bill.
- Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek Railway Construction Bill.
- Municipal Sinking Funds Bill.
- Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works (Finances) Bill.
- Melbourne Harbor Trust Bill.
- Fire Brigades Bill.
- Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924 Amendment Bill.

21. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply; resolutions to be reported this day.

22. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES FOR 1925-26.—Mr. Billson reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolutions:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1925-26 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Division No.		£	£
1.	Legislative Council	1,223	
2.	Legislative Assembly	5,299	
3.	Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways	346	
	Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly House Committee—		
4.	Refreshment Rooms	1,037	
5.	Engineers	293	
6.	The Library	204	
7.	The Library, State Parliament House	1,351	
8.	Victorian Parliamentary Debates	2,874	
9.	Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	7,752	
10.	" " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensations, &c.	24,651	
11.	" " Grants	6,240	
12.	Board for the Protection of the Aborigines	4,128	
13.	Explosives	3,911	
14.	State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries	1,624	
15.	" " " Insurance of State Employés	4,000	
16.	Fisheries and Game	3,208	

1. CHIEF SECRETARY—*continued.*

Division No.		£	£
17.	Government Shorthand Writer... ..	910	
18.	The Governor's Office	169	
19.	Inebriates Institution	2,701	
20.	Marine Board	42	
21.	Observatory	3,385	
22.	Premier's Office	1,760	
23.	Agent-General	4,966	
24.	Audit Office	6,836	
25.	Government Statist	14,030	
26.	Hospitals for the Insane	212,652	
27.	Children's Welfare Department	165,192	
28.	Penal Establishments and Gaols	48,230	
29.	Police	314,125	
	Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—		
30.	Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	19,407	
30A.	Exceptional Expenditure	2,400	
31.	Public Service Commissioner	1,689	
		<hr/>	866,635

II.—LABOUR.

32.	Department of Labour	16,631
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III.—PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

33.	Education—Salaries	815,926	
34.	„ Ordinary Expenditure	114,410	
35.	„ Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation	85	
36.	„ Works and Buildings	11,000	
37.	„ Endowments and Grants	66,582	
38.	„ Exceptional Expenditure	143	
		<hr/>	1,008,146

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

39.	Attorney General—Salaries	54,867	
40.	„ Ordinary Expenditure	13,281	
		<hr/>	68,148

V.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

41.	Solicitor-General—Salaries	31,082	
42.	„ Ordinary Expenditure	10,747	
43.	„ Exceptional Expenditure	227	
		<hr/>	42,056

VI.—TREASURER.

44.	Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	24,978	
45.	„ Transport, Samples, Marine Insurance, &c.	3,376	
46.	„ Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure	4,100	
47.	„ Payments to Railway Department	316,052	
48.	„ Grants	96,560	
49.	„ Pensions, Compensations, Gratuities, &c.	442	
50.	„ Exceptional Expenditure	8,063	
51.	Taxation Office—Administration	968	
52.	„ „ Income Tax Branch	10,599	
53.	„ „ Land Tax Branch	19,296	
54.	„ „ Probate Duties Branch	1,651	
55.	„ „ Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons	2,823	
56.	Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	63,946	
57.	„ „ Exceptional Expenditure	1,555	
58.	„ „ Advertising, &c.	1,357	
		<hr/>	555,766

VII.—CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

59.	Survey, Land Settlement, Closer Settlement, and Management of Crown Lands	29,102	
60.	Public Gardens, Parks, and Reserves	437	
61.	Grants	5,000	
62.	Botanic and Domain Gardens and National Herbarium	8,675	
63.	Extirpation of Rabbits, Wild Animals, and Noxious Weeds	50,189	
64.	Works and Buildings... ..	1,081	
65.	Exceptional Expenditure	9,334	
66.	Immigration Bureau	8,800	
		<hr/>	112,618

VIII.—PUBLIC WORKS AND MINES.

Division No.	£	£
67. Public Works - Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	36,053	
68. Ports and Harbours -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	17,968	
69. " " Works, &c.	22,617	
70. " " Exceptional Expenditure	6,100	
71. Electricity Commission	17,450	
72. Public Works -Works and Buildings	256,264	
73. " " Road Works and Bridges	24,377	
74. " " Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c.	32,063	
75. " " Exceptional Expenditure	310	
76. Mines -Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure	12,756	
77. " Furtherance of Mining Industry	13,050	
77A. " Pensions, Compensations, Gratuities, &c.	303	
78. " Exceptional Expenditure	3,350	
	<hr/>	442,661

IX.—FORESTS.

79. Forests Commission—Salaries, &c.	51,209	
79A. " " Pensions, Compensations, Gratuities, &c.	97	
	<hr/>	51,306

X.—WATER SUPPLY.

80. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission	119,000
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XI.—AGRICULTURE.

81. Department of Agriculture—Administrative	6,951	
82. Agriculture—Salaries, Maffra Beet Sugar Factory, and Ordinary Expenditure	97,398	
83. Horticulture	19,071	
84. Grants	4,183	
84A. Exceptional Expenditure	2,315	
85. Stock and Dairy	43,756	
86. Export Development and Produce Inspection	26,273	
86A. Marketing	5,000	
	<hr/>	204,947

XII.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

87. Public Health—Salaries, Ordinary Expenditure, and Infectious Diseases and Tuberculosis	57,506	
88. " " Grants	4,338	
	<hr/>	61,844

XIII.—RAILWAYS AND STATE COAL MINES.

89. Railways—Salaries and Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1925-26, &c.	4,681,528	
90. " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &c.	5,161	
91. " Construction Branch	6,751	
92. State Coal Mines	304,900	
	<hr/>	4,998,340

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

23. WAYS AND MEANS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.

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

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

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1926, the sum of £8,548,098 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

25. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock 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 nine hundred and twenty-six and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

26. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Railways Bill (No. 2) with an amendment. And the said amendment is as follows:—

(Clause 4, lines 39-40, omit "Commissioners" and insert "Board or the Commissioners (as the case may be)."

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.

27. EDENHOPE DISTRICT CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Motion made and question—That the question of connecting the district of Edenhope with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.
28. PINE PLAINS DISTRICT CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Motion made and question—That the question of connecting the district of Pine Plains and the districts lying south of the Ouyen to Murrayville line with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.
29. MACARTHUR, YAMBUK, ORFORD, BESSIEBELLE, BYADUK, AND WARRONG DISTRICTS CONNECTING RAILWAY. *Amended* motion made and question—That the question of connecting the districts of Yambuk, Bessiebelle, Orford, Macarthur, Byaduk, and Warrong with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
30. CHARLTON TO WYCHEPROOF AND ST. ARNAUD TO BIRCHIP RAILWAYS CONNEXION.—Motion made and question—That the question of connecting the district lying between the Charlton to Wycheproof and St. Arnaud to Birchip lines with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and, after debate, agreed to.
31. EAST GIPPSLAND DISTRICT CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Motion made and question—That the question of connecting the district of East Gippsland lying north and east of the Bairnsdale to Orbost railway with the existing railway system by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway or railways be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.
32. HURSTBRIDGE TO MITTON'S BRIDGE RAILWAY.—Motion made, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, and question—That the construction of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway from Hurstbridge to Mitton's Bridge be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report (*Mr. Eggleston*)—put and agreed to.
33. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Bill without amendment.
34. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill with an amendment.
And the said amendment is as follows :—
Clause 5, line 5, omit "twenty-six" and insert "twenty-seven."
And, after debate, the said amendment was read a second time and agreed to with the following consequential amendments :—
Clause 3, paragraph (b), line 13, omit the words "Eleven thousand two hundred and fifty" and insert the words "Fifteen thousand."
Clause 4, line 31, omit the words "the year" and insert the words "each of the years."
" line 32, after the word "twenty-six" insert the words "and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven."
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them accordingly.
35. WAYS AND MEANS. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means; resolution to be reported this day.
36. WAYS AND MEANS—INCOME TAX.—Mr. Billson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
Resolved That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the Consolidated Revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say) :—
(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Threepence and a halfpenny; and
(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fourpence and a halfpenny;

- for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Fivepence and a halfpenny ;
- for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Sixpence and a halfpenny ; and
- for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Sevenpence and a halfpenny ;
- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—
- (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sevenpence ; and
- (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Ninepence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Elevenpence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Thirteenpence ;
and
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Fifteenpence ;
- (c) In the case of any person (not being a company) there shall be payable an additional tax as follows :—
- (i) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds—
an amount equal to ten per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (ii) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds—
an amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (iii) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds—
an amount equal to fifteen per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (iv) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds—
an amount equal to twenty per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ; and
- (v) where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—
an amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the total amount of tax otherwise chargeable ;
- (d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixteenpence ;
- (e) On the income of a mutual life assurance company—
- (i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvepence ; and
- (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Sixteenpence :

Provided that, where the articles of association of a life assurance company provide that a percentage of its profits is to be distributed among the life assurance policy-holders of the company, then, for the purposes of this resolution, the rate for every pound sterling of the amount represented by the like percentage of the taxable amount of the income of the company from life assurance business shall be Twelvepence and the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the remainder of the income of the company shall be Sixteenpence :

Provided further that a person (not being a company) whose income from personal exertion and the produce of property during the year immediately preceding the year of assessment did not exceed Two hundred pounds shall not unless otherwise provided in the Income Tax Acts be liable to tax :

Provided further that where any person (not being a company) derives income both from personal exertion and from the produce of property and the total income so derived exceeds Five hundred pounds, then for the purposes of this resolution the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income derived from each source shall be the same as if the income from each such source exceeded Five hundred pounds.

Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this resolution, where a person would, apart from this provision of this resolution, be liable to pay income tax of an amount less than Five shillings the tax payable by that person shall be Five shillings.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Allan do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

37. INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2). Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to continue the Income Tax Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; 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.

38. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY. Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5, 6, 10, and 12 be postponed until after No. 13.

39. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—Order read for resuming adjourned debate on question—That this Bill be now read a second time; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; as amended, considered, and amendments agreed to; read the third time.

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

40. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—

Agreeing to the Victorian Loan (Electricity Supply) and Application Bill without amendment.

Agreeing to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly on the amendment made by the Council in clause 5 of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Bill.

41. PAPER.—Mr. Allan presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Outer Ports Development.—Fourth Progress Report of the Royal Commission; Port Fairy Harbour; together with Aerial Views, Maps, &c.

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

42. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read:—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 48.

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 Sewerage Districts Acts and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 15th December, 1925.

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

43. SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 48.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Sewerage Districts Acts and for other purposes.

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

Ordered That Mr. Allan and Mr. McDonald (*Polwarth*) do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Allan then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Sewerage Districts Acts and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; read a second time, after debate, 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.

44. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE) BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Allan, and the same was read:—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 49.

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 Sewerage Works in Country Districts and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 15th December, 1925.

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

45. VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE) BILL.—Order read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 49.

House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Brownbill reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Sewerage Works in Country Districts and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Allan and Sir Alexander Peacock do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Allan then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Sewerage Works in Country Districts and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day; 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.

46. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Read a second time, after debate, 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.

47. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Income Tax Bill (No. 2) without amendment.

48. GEELONG GAS COMPANY BILL.—Order for second reading read; Bill ruled a Private Bill.

Motion made, by leave, and question—That all the Private Bill Standing Orders except those relating to the payment of fees be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill (*Sir Alexander Peacock*)—put and agreed to.

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.

49. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Sewerage Districts Bill with an amendment.

And the said amendment is as follows :—

Clause 7, lines 15–16, after "centum" omit "of such current rate."

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.

50. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Agreeing to the Victorian Loan (Country Sewerage) Bill without amendment.

51. ADJOURNMENT.—Motion made, by leave, and question—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 19th January next (*Mr. Allan*)—put and agreed to.

And then the House, at forty-five minutes past Five o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 19th January next.

W. R. ALEXANDER,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

JOHN BOWSER,
Speaker.

SESSION 1925.

MESSAGES RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE SESSION.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL'S AGREEMENT TO BILLS.

Messages acquainting the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council had agreed to the following Bills without amendment were received after the adjournment of the House on the 23rd December, 1925 :—

Appropriation Bill.
Motor Omnibus Bill.
Geelong Gas Company Bill.

ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.

The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was received after the adjournment of the House on the 23rd December, 1925 :—

STRADBROKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 50.

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

- “ *An Act to amend the Fisheries Acts.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to State Schools and Teachers.* ”
- “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Dried Fruits Act 1924 ’ and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to amend the Land Tax Acts.* ”
- “ *An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.* ”
- “ *An Act to regulate Street Trading in certain cases and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes.* ”
- “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes.* ”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 24th December, 1925.

The following Message from the Hon. Sir L. F. B. Cussen, K.B., as Deputy for His Excellency the Governor, was received after the adjournment of the House on the 23rd December, 1925 :—

L. F. CUSSEN,

Deputy for the Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 51.

The Deputy for 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 relating to Municipal Endowment.* ”
- “ *An Act to make further provision with respect to Main Roads and Developmental Roads under the Country Roads Acts and to amend the said Acts.* ”
- “ *An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek.* ”
- “ *An Act relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works and to Superannuation and other Benefits for Officers of the said Board and other purposes.* ”

- " An Act relating to Municipal Sinking Funds."*
- " An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners."*
- " An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board to borrow a further Sum not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds."*
- " An Act to amend the Schedule to the ' Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924. ' "*
- " An Act to amend Section Six of the ' State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Act 1922. ' "*
- " An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money."*
- " An Act to make provision for the Appointment of certain Persons temporarily employed in the Railway Service to Permanent Offices therein."*
- " An Act to amend and to extend the Operation of the ' Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Act 1922. ' "*
- " An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to continue the Income Tax Acts."*
- " An Act to amend the Sewerage Districts Acts and for other purposes."*
- " An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Sewerage Works in Country Districts and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money."*
- " An Act to amend the ' Motor Omnibus Act 1924 ' and for other purposes."*
- " An Act to further amend ' The Geelong Gas Company's Act 1858. ' "*

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 31st December, 1925.

The following Bill, presented by Mr. Speaker, was given the Royal Assent by His Excellency the Governor on the 5th January, 1926 :—

- " An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament."*
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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E., Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Tuesday, the nineteenth day of January, 1926: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the twenty-third day of February, 1926.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twelfth day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and in the sixteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. ALLAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

SELECT COMMITTEES.

SESSION 1925.

1.—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT).

(Appointed 22nd July, 1924.)

Mr. Deany,
Mr. Lind,Mr. Solly,
Mr. Webber.*

* Appointed 8th July, 1925.

2.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

(Appointed 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Speaker,
Dr. Argyle,
Mr. Eggleston,Mr. Slater,
Mr. Wallace.

3.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Allan,
Mr. Billson,
Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Cain,
Mr. Farthing,Mr. Hogan,
Mr. Lawson,
Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

4.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Beardmore,
Colonel Bouchier,
Mr. Brownbill,
Mr. Deany,
Mr. Dunstan,Mr. Frost,
Mr. Hughes,
Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Oman,
Mr. West.

5.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Brownbill,
Mr. Clough,
Mr. Greenwood,
Mr. Morley,Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Pennington,
Mr. Walter.

6.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

(Appointed 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Eggleston,
Mr. Lawson,Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Snowball,
Mr. Wettenhall.

7.—HOUSE (JOINT).

(Appointed 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Clough,
Mr. Dunstan,Mr. Everard,
Mr. Jewell,
Mr. Morley.

8.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 22nd July, 1925.)

Mr. Angus,
Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. Clough,
Mr. GordonMr. Snowball,
Mr. Solly,
Mr. Wallace

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No 1.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 22ND JULY, 1925.

TUESDAY, 21st JULY, 1925.

No. 1. *Supply—Supplementary Estimates for 1924–25.*

Motion made—That a sum not exceeding £644,219 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1924–25, viz. :—

Division No.	£	£
* * * * *	*	*
	Total	“ £644,219 ”

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £5.—(*Mr. McAdam.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Frost	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hayes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Webber
Mr. Jewell	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Pennington.
Mr. Lind	
Mr. Mackrell	

And so it passed in the negative.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No. 2.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 13TH AUGUST, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1925.

No. 1. *Game Bill* Clause 20.

PART II.—GUN LICENCES.

(1) This Part of this Act shall come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

(2) In this Part of this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

“ Gun ” has the same meaning as it has in the Principal Act except that the expression does not include “ pistol ” within the meaning of the *Firearms Act 1921*.

“ Gun licence ” means a valid and subsisting gun licence under this Part.

“ Licensed ” means licensed pursuant to this Part.

“ Licensee ” means the holder of a gun licence.

“ Part ” means Part of this Act.

“ Prescribed ” means prescribed by the Game Acts or any proclamation thereunder.

—(*Dr. Argyle.*)

Question —That clause 20 stand part of the Bill—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwartli</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley
Colonel Burchier	Mr. Old
Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Webber.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.— Clause 22.

(1) Subject to this Part no person shall after the expiration of three months from and after the coming into operation of this Part have in his possession use or carry any gun unless he is the holder of a gun licence.

(2) Any person not being the holder of a gun licence who has in his possession uses or carries a gun shall be liable to a penalty of not more than Five pounds.

(3) No offence under this section shall be deemed to be committed—

- (a) in the case of any person in the naval military or air service of the King or in the naval military or air forces of the Commonwealth or in the police force—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun in the performance of his duty as such, or for the purposes of target practice ; or
- (b) in the case of any person—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun for the purpose only of carrying out his obligations under the *Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1922* or any enactment relating to Crown lands ; or
- (c) in the case of any person—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun in pursuance of any statutory authority to do so, or for the purpose of taking or hunting or killing or destroying or capturing any game or native game in pursuance of any authority or licence under the Game Acts ; or
- (d) in the case of any person carrying on the business of common carrier or warehouseman—by having in his possession or carrying a gun in the ordinary course of that business ; or
- (e) in the case of any person lawfully carrying on the business of gunsmith or dealer in guns or of an auctioneer, marine store dealer, pawnbroker or second-hand dealer within the meaning of the *Firearms Act 1921* or of testing or proving guns or the employé of such a person—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun in the ordinary course of such business as aforesaid ; or
- (f) in the case of any person—by having in his possession a gun on board ship as part of the equipment of the ship, so long as the gun is not brought on shore at any place in Victoria ; or by bringing a gun ashore for repair provided that he has obtained from the inspector of fisheries a special authority in writing in the prescribed form for that purpose ; or
- (g) in the case of a person carrying a gun belonging to the holder of a gun licence—by having in his possession the gun under instructions from and for the use of such holder for sporting purposes only ; or
- (h) in the case of a person receiving instruction in the use of a gun by or under the personal supervision of the holder of a gun licence—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun for the purposes of such instruction ; or
- (i) in the case of any person carrying on the business of butcher slaughterman knacker or other person engaged in the business of the humane slaughtering of animals for food or other purposes—by having in his possession using or carrying any humane killer for the purpose of such business ; or
- (j) in the case of any member of a rifle club or miniature rifle club—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun when engaged as such member in or in connexion with target practice ; or
- (k) in the case of any person conducting or carrying on a miniature rifle range (whether for a rifle club or otherwise) or shooting gallery at which no firearms are used other than miniature rifles not exceeding .23 calibre—by having in his possession using or carrying such miniature rifles ; or, in the case of any person—by using at such miniature rifle range or shooting gallery any such rifle ; or
- (l) in the case of a person whose application for a gun licence has been refused or whose licence has been cancelled—by having in his possession the gun pending disposal thereof by him or by carrying the gun in order to sell the same, provided that the gun has not been forfeited and he has obtained from the inspector of fisheries a special authority in writing in that behalf in the prescribed form ; or
- (m) in the case of any holder of a gun-dealer's licence under the *Firearms Act 1921*—by having in his possession using or carrying a gun in the ordinary course of his business.

(4) In any proceedings under this Part it shall lie upon the defendant to prove that he is a person not incurring the penalty or imprisonment by virtue of the provisions contained in this Part. ---(Dr. Argyle.)

Question—That clause 22 stand part of the Bill—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Barnes	(Polwarth)
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Old
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Deany	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wattenhall
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Farthing	Tellers.
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(Dunlosford)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Slater
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	Tellers.
Mr. Jackson	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. McAdam	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—Clause 23.

* * * * *

(4) For every gun licence "or renewal thereof" there shall be paid such fee as is prescribed being not more than Five shillings.—(*Dr. Argyle.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "or renewal thereof," in line 1 of sub-section (4), be omitted.
—(*Mr. Pollard.*)

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

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Greenwood
Mr. Angus	Mr. Lawson
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Lind
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Billson	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Old
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Deany	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Farthing	Mr. Groves
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 21.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Slater
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No 3.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Forests Bill*—Clause 11.

(1) Whenever required by the Commission or by any person thereto authorized in writing by the Commission (either generally or in any particular case)—

* * * * *

(b) "the owner or occupier of any land in Victoria upon which trees are growing" shall furnish in the prescribed manner such information and particulars as are required from him concerning the species quantity and classes of trees growing on such land.

* * * * *

—(*Mr. Mackrell.*)

A amendment proposed—That the words "the owner or occupier of any land in Victoria upon which trees are growing," in line 1 of paragraph (b), be omitted.—(*Mr. Angus.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cain	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Warde
Mr. Deany	Mr. Webber
Mr. Downward	
Mr. Farthing	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Groves
Mr. Keane	Mr. Lemmon

Noes, 19.

Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Mr. Bond	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Cook	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No. 4.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER 1925.

No. 1.—*Superannuation Bill*—Clause 3.

(1) In this Act, unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

* * * * * * *

“ Officer ” means—

* * * * * * *

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

And the clause having been amended by the insertion in the interpretation of “ officer ” of the following new paragraph after paragraph (b) :—

() any person (not otherwise included in the interpretation of “ officer ”) employed on and after the date of the commencement of this Act on the staff of any school or schools for technical education established under section seventy-eight of the *Education Act* 1915 (whether before or after the commencement of this Act) or of any other technical school or schools receiving aid from the consolidated revenue, who by the terms of his employment is required to give his whole time to the duties of his employment, and is certified by the Public Service Commissioner and the Director of Education by writing under their hands as occupying a position similar to that of an officer within the meaning of this Act on the permanent staff of the Education Department ;

and the insertion of the following new paragraph after paragraph (c) :—

() any person in the railway service on the date of the commencement of this Act who was included in the list published in the *Government Gazette* of the ninth day of October One thousand nine hundred and two of persons permanently employed in the railway service on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and two but not otherwise included in the interpretation of “ officer ”—

Further amendment proposed—That the following new paragraph be inserted after paragraph (c) :—

“() any employé of the council of the Victorian Railways Institute ; and.”

—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane	Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cain	Mr. Slater	Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cook	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Frost	Mr. Warde	Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hayes		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2—

Further amendment proposed—That the following new paragraph be inserted after paragraph (d) :—

“() any temporary employé of not less than five years' service.”—(*Mr. Hayes.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane	Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cook	Mr. Slater	Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Farthing	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Bowser	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde	Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Everard	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3—

Further amendment proposed—That the following new paragraph be inserted after paragraph (d) :—

“() any temporary employé of not less than ten years' service.”—(*Mr. Hayes.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 29.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane	Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Cook	Mr. Slater	Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Farthing	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Bowser	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde	Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Everard	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No 5.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Superannuation Bill*—Clause 3 as amended.

(1) In this Act, unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

“ Actuary ” means a Fellow or Associate of the Institute of Actuaries (London), or a Fellow or Associate of the Faculty of Actuaries (Edinburgh), or any other person of whose actuarial knowledge and experience the Governor in Council approves ;

“ Contributor ” means an officer who is contributing under this Act ;

“ Department ” means any Department under the administration of a Minister ;

“ Officer ” means—

- (a) any person immediately before the date of the commencement of this Act employed on or on or after that date appointed to and employed on—
- (i) the permanent staff of the public service (including the permanent staff of officers inspectors and teachers, other than junior teachers and sewing mistresses, in the Education Department and including the permanent staff of officers or employes of or in the Lunacy Department)—under and in accordance with the Public Service Acts or (as the case may be) the Public Service Acts and the Education Acts or the Lunacy Acts ;
 - (ii) the permanent staff of the railway service—under and in accordance with the Railways Acts ;
 - (iii) the permanent staff of officers of the Parliament—under and in accordance with The Constitution Act Amendment Acts ;
- (b) any person in the service or employment of the Board of Land and Works (other than an officer or employe under the Board under and in accordance with the Railways Acts) or of any board or commission mentioned in Part I. of the First Schedule whom the president of the Board of Land and Works and the Public Service Commissioner or the chairman of any board or commission so mentioned and the Public Service Commissioner by writing under their hands certify to have been or to be employed on the permanent staff thereof on or after the date of the commencement of this Act ;
- (c) any person (not otherwise included in the interpretation of officer) employed on and after the date of the commencement of this Act on the staff of any school or schools for technical education established under section seventy-eight of the ‘ Education Act 1915 ’ (whether before or after the commencement of this Act) or of any other technical school or schools receiving aid from the consolidated revenue, who by the terms of his employment is required to give his whole time to the duties of his employment, and is certified by the Public Service Commissioner and the Director of Education by writing under their hands as occupying a position similar to that of an officer within the meaning of this Act on the permanent staff of the Education Department ;

- (d) any person in the service or employment of the Victorian Railways Commissioners whom the chairman thereof by writing under his hand certifies to have been or to be employed on the permanent staff of the State Coal Mine under the *Coal Mines Regulation Act 1915* on or after the date of the commencement of this Act ;
- (e) any person in the railway service on the date of the commencement of this Act who was included in the list published in the *Government Gazette* of the ninth day of October One thousand nine hundred and two, of persons permanently employed in the railway service on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and two but not otherwise included in the interpretation of 'officer' ;
- (f) any person before or after the date of the commencement of this Act appointed to and on or after that date employed in any office mentioned in Part II. of the First Schedule ; and
- (g) any person referred to in sub-section (1) of section two of the ' *Public Service Act 1915* (No. 2) ' who is employed in the public service on the date of the commencement of this Act.

" Prescribed " means prescribed by this Act or the regulations.

" Proclamation " means proclamation of the Governor in Council published in the *Government Gazette* ;

" Regulations " means regulations made under this Act ;

" Salary " means all the pecuniary emoluments received by any officer in his capacity as such whether as salary or wages or as allowances granted as addition to salary or wages, but does not include payments made for overtime or otherwise of a temporary character or made for travelling allowances ;

" Schedule " means Schedule to this Act ;

" Service " means service or employment as an officer within the meaning of this Act and in relation to any qualifying period of service includes any service or employment (whether before or after the commencement of this Act) on any permanent staff or in any office to which this Act relates in addition to service or employment as such an officer ;

" The appointed day " means the day pursuant to this Act notified by the Governor in Council in the *Government Gazette* as the day from which officers shall contribute to the Fund ;

" The Board " means The State Superannuation Board constituted by this Act ;

" The Fund " means the Superannuation Fund established under this Act ;

" ' The maximum age for retirement ' means the age of sixty-five years, or, in the case of a contributor the maximum age for whose retirement is fixed by law at an earlier age than sixty-five years, the age so fixed ; "

" Treasurer " means the Treasurer of Victoria.

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Further amendment proposed—That the interpretation of " The maximum age for retirement " be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the following interpretation :—

" The maximum age for retirement " means the age of sixty years or sixty-five years according to the Schedule under which the contributor elects to contribute, or in the case of a contributor the maximum age for whose retirement is fixed by law at an earlier age than sixty years or sixty-five years (as the case may be), the age so fixed.

—(Mr. Bond.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 27.	
Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind	Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(Polwarth)	Mr. Brownbill	(Daylesford)
Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley	Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman	Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Bowser	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver	Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Warde
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. West	Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenthal	Mr. Hughes	Tellers.
Mr. Everard		Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Farthing	Tellers.	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber
Mr. Gordon			
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves		
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Clause 13.

Scale of Units.

(1) Subject to this Act, contributions by an officer shall be in respect of units of pension as defined in this Act, and the number of units in respect of which an officer shall contribute shall have relation to the salary of the officer in accordance with the following scale :—

COLUMN ONE. Where the Annual Salary of the Officer—	COLUMN TWO. The Officer shall contribute the Amount necessary to provide Units of Pension, as under—
	Per Annum. £
Does not exceed £ 130	Two units, equivalent to a pension of 52
Exceeds 130 and does not exceed .. 156	Two and a half units, equivalent to a pension of .. 65
Exceeds 156 and does not exceed .. 208	Three units, equivalent to a pension of .. 78
Exceeds 208 and does not exceed .. 234	Three and a half units, equivalent to a pension of .. 91
Exceeds 234 and does not exceed .. 260	Four units, equivalent to a pension of .. 104
Exceeds 260 and does not exceed .. 312	Five units, equivalent to a pension of .. 130
Exceeds 312 and does not exceed .. 364	Six units, equivalent to a pension of .. 156
Exceeds 364 and does not exceed .. 416	Seven units, equivalent to a pension of .. 182
Exceeds 416 and does not exceed .. 468	“ Eight units, equivalent to a pension of .. 208
Exceeds 468 and does not exceed .. 520	“ Nine units, equivalent to a pension of .. 234
Exceeds 520 and does not exceed .. 572	Ten units, equivalent to a pension of .. 260
Exceeds 572 and does not exceed .. 624	Eleven units, equivalent to a pension of .. 286
Exceeds 624 and does not exceed .. 676	Twelve units, equivalent to a pension of .. 312 ”
Exceeds 676 and does not exceed .. 728	Thirteen units, equivalent to a pension of .. 338
Exceeds 728 and does not exceed .. 780	Fourteen units, equivalent to a pension of .. 364
Exceeds 780 and does not exceed .. 832	Fifteen units, equivalent to a pension of .. 390
Exceeds 832	Sixteen units, equivalent to a pension of .. 416 ”

* * * * *

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed—That all the words and figures in Column Two after “ Eight units, equivalent to a pension of £208 ” to the end of the column be omitted.—(Mr. Keane.)

And the question having been divided—

Question That all the words and figures in Column Two from “ Nine units ” down to and including “ Twelve units, equivalent to a pension of £312 ” stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(Polwarth)
Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Billson	Mr. Toutcher
Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 26.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Cain	(Daylesford)
Mr. Clough	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

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SESSION 1925.

No. 6.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 1ST OCTOBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 1. *Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited (Government Guarantee) Bill.*—Clause 1.This Act may be cited as the *Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited (Government Guarantee) Act 1925.*—(*Mr. Allan.*)Motion made and question put That the question be now put. (*Mr. Toutcher.*)
Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cotter
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2

Question That clause 1 stand part of the Bill—accordingly put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Deany	Mr. West
Mr. Downward	
Mr. Eggleston	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cotter
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—Clause 2.

The "several" seasons to which this Act relates shall be the season 1925–1926, the season 1926–1927, "the season 1927–1928," the season 1928–1929, and the season 1929–1930, respectively.
—(*Mr. Allan*).

Motion made and question—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again
(*Mr. Bailey*)—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hughes		Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Keane	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY (MORNING), 1st OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 4—

Amendment proposed—That the word "several," in line 1, be omitted.—(*Mr. Blackburn*.)

Motion made and question—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again (*Mr. McDonald (Daylesford)*)—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 26.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Dunstan	
Mr. Keane	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Eggleston	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Everard	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Pennington
		Mr. Lawson	

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 5—

Notice having been taken by Dr. Argyle that strangers were present—

Question—That strangers be ordered to withdraw—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind	Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)	Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan	Mr. Cook	Mr. Old
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Pollard
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter	Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver	Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Downward	Mr. West	Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Eggleston		Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cotter
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington	Mr. Keane	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 6—

Motion made and question—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again (*Mr. Brownbill*)—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Darlesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Old
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Cotter
Mr. Keane	Mr. Lemmon

Noes, 25.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 7—

Question—That the word “several” proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 23.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Cotter
Mr. Jackson	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Jewell	(<i>Darlesford</i>)

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 8—

Motion made and question—That the Chairman do now leave the chair (*Mr. Wallace*)—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cotter
Mr. Jewell	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Keane	(<i>Darlesford</i>)

Noes, 26.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind
Mr. Angus	Mr. Mackrell
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Dunstan	
Mr. Eggleston	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 9—

Further amendment proposed—That after the words and figures “the season 1926-1927,” in lines 1 and 2, the following proviso be inserted:—

“Provided that if the Minister is satisfied that at a poll of wheatgrowers (for the holding of which the Department of Agriculture is hereby required to arrange), held for the purpose at such time in such manner upon such rolls of wheat-growers as are prepared by the Government Statist and under the direction of such returning officers as are prescribed, a majority of the persons voting thereat

are in favour of the extension of the provisions of this Act so that they will apply with respect to the three succeeding wheat harvests, the Governor in Council may at any time not later than the thirtieth day of September, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, by proclamation published in the *Government Gazette* extend the provisions of this Act so as to apply with respect to each of the said harvests with such modifications specified in the proclamation as are necessary to make the provisions of this Act applicable with respect to the season 1927-1928 "and with respect to the season 1928-1929 and with respect to the season 1929-1930" and not otherwise, and thereupon this Act (with the said modifications) shall apply accordingly."—(*Mr. Hogan.*)

And the proposed proviso having been amended by the omission of the words and figures "and with respect to the season 1928-1929 and with respect to the season 1929-1930," in lines 10 and 11—

Question—That the proviso, as amended, proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy	Dr. Argyle	Mr. Old
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Baird	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Keane	(<i>Darlesford</i>)	Mr. Farthing	
		Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Lawson

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 10—

Further amendment proposed—That the words and figures "the season 1927-1928, the season 1928-1929, and the season 1929-1930," in line 2 of clause 2, be omitted.—(*Mr. Blackburn.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the words and figures "the season 1927-1928" in the proposed amendment be omitted.—(*Mr. Everard.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 21.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy	Dr. Argyle	Mr. Old
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Baird	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan		Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Keane	(<i>Darlesford</i>)	Mr. Farthing	
		Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Lawson

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

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SESSION 1925.

No. 7.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 8TH OCTOBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Forests Bill*.—Clause 19 as amended.

(1) When the * * * receipts in any financial year received from royalties leases licences permits authorities and the sale of forest produce and paid into the consolidated revenue * * * are in excess of the expenditure payable under the Forests Acts out of the consolidated revenue * * * on account of the Commission in such year, the Treasurer of Victoria may, on the joint recommendation of the Commission and of the Country Roads Board under the Country Roads Acts, grant * * * (out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for the purpose) to any municipality, not being a city, town or borough, such a sum as he thinks fit, to be applied by the municipality for or towards the maintenance of any road in the municipal district of the municipality if such road —

- (a) passes through or leads to or from any State forest and is used for heavy timber traffic ;
and
(b) is not a main road within the meaning of the Country Roads Acts or is not declared pursuant to any Act to be a State highway.

(2) Sums granted under this section in any one year to all such municipalities shall not exceed in the aggregate "Five" thousand pounds in that year.

Further amendment proposed.—That the word "Five," in line 2 of sub-section (2), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "Twenty."—(Mr. Frost.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McLachlan
Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. West
Mr. Downward	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Baird
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Groves
(Polwarth)	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Angus	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Lind
Mr. Billson	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Blackburn	(Du, lesford)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Merley
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Deany	Mr. Solly
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Everard	Mr. Walter
Mr. Frost	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 2.—*Local Government (Werribee Rating) Bill.*—Clause 1.

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.—

(Mr. Allan.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Dunstan	
Mr. Eggleston	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Everard	Mr. Groves
Mr. Farthing	Mr. West
Mr. Lind	

Noes, 18.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Keane
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cain	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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SESSION 1925.

No 8.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 15TH OCTOBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 1. *Anzac Day Bill*. Clause 3 as amended.

(1) Every factory shop and warehouse (except a factory shop or warehouse of the class or kind specified in or added by proclamation of the Governor in Council to the Schedule to this Act * * * * *) shall be closed and kept closed on Anzac Day and every employé (except persons solely employed for the purpose of safeguarding the premises) in such factory or shop or warehouse shall be given a whole holiday on that "day."

(2) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) hereof any occupier of a factory or any shop-keeper or any occupier of a warehouse or any person acting or apparently acting in the management of a factory or shop or warehouse who fails or neglects to close and keep closed his factory or shop or warehouse on Anzac Day or who fails or neglects to give any employé (except as aforesaid) in such factory or shop or warehouse a whole holiday on Anzac Day shall be guilty of an offence against the *Factories and Shops Act* 1915 and shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty of not more than Ten pounds.

(3) The Governor in Council may from time to time by proclamation amend the Schedule to this Act by adding thereto any class or kind of factories shops or warehouses; and the Schedule as so amended shall have from and after the date of the publication of the proclamation or such later date as is specified in the proclamation the same force and effect as if such amendment had been enacted in this Act.

(4) A copy of every proclamation made under this section shall be published in the *Government Gazette* and shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as may be after it is made.

(5) For the purposes of this section -

(a) "warehouse" means any building or portion of a building or place in which goods are sold or offered for sale by wholesale; and

(b) the provisions of Part XII. of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1915 as amended by any Act so far as they relate to shops shall so far as applicable and with such alterations modifications and substitutions as are necessary extend and apply to warehouses.

(6) This section shall be read and construed as one with the *Factories and Shops Acts*.

—(Dr. Argyle.)

Further amendment proposed - That the words "and no employer shall deduct or retain any portion of the salary or wages of such employés in respect of such day" be inserted after the word "day," in line 5 of sub-section (1).—(Mr. Webber.)

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

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	(Daylesford)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	Tellers.
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Bailey
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

Noes, 31.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(Polwarth)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Deany	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Walter
Mr. Everard	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Farthing	Mr. West
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Lawson	Tellers.
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “ and no person shall follow the business or work of his ordinary calling or occupation on Anzac Day unless such calling or occupation is mentioned in the Schedule to this Act ” be inserted after the word “ day,” in line 5 of sub-section (1).—(*Mr. Webber.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell	Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald	Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daglesford</i>)	Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater	Mr. Billson	Mr. Oman
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly	Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Warde	Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Everard	Mr. West
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Webber	Mr. Gordon	Mr. Wettenhall
		Mr. Greenwood	
		Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—Schedule.

(1) Every factory or shop or warehouse in which any of the following trades or businesses is usually carried on :—

- “ Printing publishing or distributing newspapers ; ”
- The manufacture distribution or supply of gas or electric light or power ;
- Any necessarily continuous process of manufacture ; and
- Milk supply ; and

(2) Every factory shop or warehouse of any class or kind added by proclamation of the Governor in Council to this Schedule.

—(*Dr. Argyle.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ Printing publishing or distributing newspapers, ” in line 3, be omitted.—(*Mr. Cain.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 29.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Allan	Mr. McLachlan	Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Angus	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Morley	Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Baird	Mr. Old	Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daglesford</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman	Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Deany	Mr. Pennington	Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher	Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Walter	Mr. Hayes	
Mr. Everard	Mr. Weaver	Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	Mr. West	Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Wettenhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Lind		Mr. Jackson	Mr. Webber
Mr. Mackrell	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Groves		
(<i>Polwarth</i>)	Mr. Lawson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4—

And the Schedule having been amended by the addition of the following figures and words :—

- “ 5. Eating-houses and restaurants.
- 6. Fish and oyster shops.
- 7. Cooked meat (other than tinned meat) shops.
- 8. Confectionery shops.
- 9. Fruit and vegetable shops ”—

Further amendment proposed—That the following figures and words be added to the Schedule :—

- “ 10. Booksellers and news agents.”—(*Dr. Argyle.*)

Question—That the figures and words proposed to be added be so added—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Angus	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Colonel Bouchier	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Walter
Mr. Everard	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Gordon	Mr. West
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Lind	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Groves
Mr. McDonald (<i>Polwarth</i>)	Mr. Old

Noes, 20.

Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Cain	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Cook	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Slater
Mr. Hayes	
Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Webber
Mr. Jackson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 9.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 22ND OCTOBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 1. *Superannuation Bill*—Clause 16 as amended.

(1) The amount of contribution which shall be paid by an officer shall, except where otherwise provided in this Act, be based upon—

- (a) the number of units or half-unit of pension in respect of which the officer contributes;
- (b) sex; and
- (c) the age at which the officer commences to contribute for each unit or half-unit,

and shall be in accordance with the tables of contributions prescribed by or under this Act.

(2) *Notwithstanding anything in this Act—*

- (a) any female officer who is less than sixty years of age may within three months after the appointed day or within three months after the date of the commencement of her employment as an officer elect to contribute as from the appointed day or the date of the commencement of her employment as an officer (as the case may be) at such rates specified in the Fifth Schedule to this Act as are applicable;
- (b) any female officer who makes an election in accordance with this section shall be entitled upon retirement on attaining the age of sixty years to receive full pension according to the number of units for which she was contributing at the time of her retirement;
- (c) for the purposes of this Act the maximum age for retirement of a female officer who makes an election under this section shall be sixty years; and
- (d) where a female officer who has made an election under this section does not retire upon attaining the age of sixty years she shall not be required to make contributions after attaining that age and shall not be entitled to receive pension until retirement.

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Further amendment proposed—That the following new sub-section be added to the clause:—

- () (a) Any officer in the railway service who is employed in the capacity of locomotive engine-driver, electric train driver, locomotive fireman or "cleaner" and who is less than sixty years of age may within three months after the appointed day or within three months after the date of the commencement of his employment as an officer in such capacity elect to contribute as from the appointed day or the date of the commencement of his employment as an officer (as the case may be) at such rates specified in the Sixth Schedule to this Act as are applicable.
- (b) Any such officer who makes an election in accordance with this section shall be entitled upon retirement upon attaining the age of sixty years to receive full pension according to the number of units for which he was contributing at the time of his retirement.
- (c) For the purposes of this Act the maximum age for retirement of any such officer who makes an election under this section shall be sixty years.
- (d) Where any such officer who has made an election under this section does not retire upon attaining the age of sixty years he shall not be required to make contributions after attaining that age and shall not be entitled to receive pension until retirement.

—(Mr. Toutcher.)

Further amendment proposed—That the words “shunter, guard, signalman, and any officer employed as a warder in any mental hospital or gaol, and any other officer who in the opinion of the Board is engaged in a dangerous or disagreeable occupation” be inserted after the word “cleaner,” in line 2 of paragraph (a) of the proposed new sub-section. (*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in the proposed new sub-section be so inserted—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber

Noes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Morley
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Old
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Deany	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Walter
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Everard	Mr. West
Mr. Farthing	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2

Question—That the new sub-section proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Blackburn	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Bond	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Frost	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	
Mr. Keane	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. McAdam	Mr. Webber

Noes, 29.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Barnes	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Beardmore	Sir William McPherson
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Old
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Deany	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—Clause 36.

(1) A person who if this Act had commenced on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and “twenty-four” would on that day have been an officer within the meaning thereof but who on or after that date and before or on the date of the commencement of this Act has been retired, or permitted to retire, and who at the time of his retirement—

(a) had been in the service for at least ten years; and

(b) had attained the maximum age for retirement; or, if the maximum age for retirement was not less than sixty years, had been called upon to retire after the age of sixty years,

shall be entitled to a pension in accordance with salary as set out in section thirteen of this Act, but not exceeding four units, without paying any contribution to the Fund:

Provided that, if the maximum age for retirement is less than sixty-five years, the pension payable under this section shall be the actuarial equivalent of such pension payable as from the age of sixty-five years.

(2) A pension under this section shall be payable from the appointed day, and shall carry widow's and children's benefits in accordance with this Act.

(3) Until the establishment of the Fund the pension shall be paid out of the consolidated revenue which is hereby to the necessary extent appropriated accordingly; and, upon the establishment of the Fund, the pension shall be paid from the Fund, and the payments from the Fund shall be repaid by the Treasurer into the Fund.

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed --That the word "twenty-four," in line 2 of sub-section (1), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "twenty."--(*Mr. Tunnecliffe.*)

Question --That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause--put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Poikwarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 23.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Clough	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Warde
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Keane	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No. 10.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 29TH OCTOBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Superannuation Bill*—Clause 20.

Payments or repayments by the Treasurer into the Fund for the purposes of this Act shall be made from the consolidated revenue, which is hereby to the necessary extent appropriated accordingly :

Provided that notwithstanding anything in this or any other Act payments or repayments by the Treasurer into the Fund for the purposes of this Act and payments of pensions out of the consolidated revenue for the purposes of this Act so far as any such payment or repayment relates to officers in the railway service or in the railway department or the widows or children of such officers shall be repaid into the consolidated revenue out of the railways revenue and the provisions of section one hundred and two of the *Railways Act* 1915 shall not apply with respect to any such payment or repayment.—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following further proviso be added to the clause :—

Provided further that the amount paid in any year out of the railways revenue into the consolidated revenue in respect of—

- (a) compensation or retiring allowances under section one hundred and seventy-five of the *Railways Act* 1915 ; and
 (b) pensions to officers in the railway service or in the railway department or the widows or children of such officers under this Act

shall not together exceed the greatest amount payable whether in that or any previous year in respect of compensation or retiring allowances mentioned in paragraph (a) of this proviso.—(*Mr. Hogan.*)

Question—That the further proviso proposed to be added be so added— put.
 Committee divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bond	Mr. Keane
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Clough	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

Noes, 28.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Angus	Sir William McPherson
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Morley
Mr. Baird	Mr. Oman
Mr. Barnes	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Groves
Mr. McDonald	Mr. Pennington

(Polwarth)

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—First Schedule *as amended*.

PART I.

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, Country Roads Board, Forests Commission, Licences Reduction Board, Council of Agricultural Education.

PART II.

Public Service Commissioner, Auditor-General, Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court, Master-in-Equity, Taxing Master, Commissioner of Titles, Prosecutor for the King, Curator of the Estates of Deceased Persons, Inspector-General of the Insane, Insurance Commissioner, Inspector of Charities, General Manager of the State Coal Mine, "Chairman or other" commissioner of The Victorian Railways Commissioners or of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, Chairman or other member of the Country Roads Board or of the Licences Reduction Board or of the Closer Settlement Board or of the Forests Commission.

Further amendment proposed—That the words "Chairman or other," in line 4 of Part II., be omitted.

(*Mr. Webber.*)

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Poltouath</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Colonel Bourchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Everard	Mr. West
Mr. Gordon	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 22.

Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Darjesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. McAdam	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

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No. 11.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 5TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

No. 1. *Stock Foods Bill*— Clause 9 *as amended*.

(1) Any person who, in selling any—

* * * * *

(c) compressed fodder which is made from several kinds of stock food—

fails to specify correctly in the invoice the several kinds of * * * stock food * * * shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

(2) Any person who sells any bale or package of straw chaff on which the letters "S.C." are not distinctly marked in the prescribed form shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

*(Colonel Bouchier.)*Further amendment proposed— That sub-section (2) be omitted. *(Mr. McDonald—Duylesford.)*

Question— That sub-section (2) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	<i>(Patworth)</i>
Mr. Baird	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Billson	Mr. Toutcher
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wattenhall
Mr. Greenwood	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson	
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 24.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Cain	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Oman
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Solly
Mr. Everard	
Mr. Frost	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Hogan	<i>(Duylesford)</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 12.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 26TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Street Trading Bill*—Clause 3.

(1) Save as otherwise provided in this section this Act shall apply to the "city of Melbourne only."

* * * * *

Amendment proposed—That the words "city of Melbourne only" in lines 1 and 2 of subsection (1), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "metropolitan district as defined by the Factories and Shops Acts."—(*Mr. Tunnecliffe.*)Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Baird	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Oman
Mr. Billson	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Burchier	Mr. Walter
Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Bond	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cain	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Webber
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Keane	(<i>Dayles, ord</i>)

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 13.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 4TH DECEMBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Street Trading Bill*—Clause 5 as amended.

- (1) The Governor in Council may make regulations for or with respect to—
- (a) the grant and renewal by the * * * Board of annual licences to street traders *and by whom licences are to be signed*; the number of licences to be so granted; and the suspension or cancellation by the * * * Board of licences;
 - (b) the conditions on which licences may be granted renewed suspended or cancelled;
 - (c) the days and hours during which, the places at which, and the manner in which street trading may be carried on by street traders:
* * * * *
 - (e) prohibiting any person under the age of twenty-one years who is not licensed from engaging in street trading;
 - (f) prohibiting any person (whether licensed under this Act or not) from employing in street trading any person under the age of twenty-one years who is not licensed; *and requiring all persons employing in street trading any persons under the age of fourteen years to keep records in such form and giving such particulars as are prescribed as to the names ages and work of all such last-mentioned persons.*
 - (g) regulating generally the conduct of street traders;
 - (h) prescribing forms for use under this Act (and any form so prescribed or any form to the like effect shall be sufficient in law);
 - (i) prescribing penalties for offences against the regulations under this section of not more than Two pounds for a first offence and of not more than Five pounds for a second or subsequent offence; and
 - (j) generally, for or with respect to any matters necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying into effect the purposes of this Act.
- (2) No such regulation shall authorize—
- (a) the grant or renewal of a licence to any male person under the age of * * * * *
"fourteen years" * * * * *; or
 - (b) the grant of a licence to any female under the age of twenty-one years.

—(Dr. Argyle.)

Further amendment proposed—That the words "or (in any particular case where the Board thinks it expedient that a licence should be granted or renewed to him) to any male person over or under the age of fourteen years but in no case below the age of twelve years" be inserted after the words "fourteen years," in line 2 of paragraph (a) of sub-section (2).—(Dr. Argyle.)

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

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Angus	Mr. Lind
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Baird	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Barnes	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. McLachlan
Mr. Billson	Sir William McPherson
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Morley
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Oman
Mr. Carlisle	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Downward	Mr. Walter
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Webber
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Clough	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cook	Mr. Slater
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hjorth	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Holland	Mr. Cain
Mr. Jackson	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Jewell	(<i>Daylesford</i>)

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No. 14.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 10TH DECEMBER, 1925.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Closer Settlement Bill.*—Appropriation.—Resolution.

Motion made and question proposed—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes.—(*Mr. Downward.*)

Motion made and question put—That the question be now put.—(*Mr. Allan.*)
Committee divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Allan	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Baird	Mr. Morley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Old
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Bowser	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Deany	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Downward	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Walter
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lind	Mr. Greenwood
Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Groves

Noes, 27.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. Keane
Mr. Bond	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Cain	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Clough	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 15.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 19TH DECEMBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Closer Settlement Bill*.—Clause 12.

(1) Notwithstanding anything in any Act or law, if any lessee under the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts makes an application in the prescribed form to the Board setting forth that owing to adverse circumstances he is unable to meet all his obligations to the Board, the Minister on the recommendation of the Board may direct in writing that the whole or any portion of the debt in respect of interest due by such lessee to the Board shall not be payable, and thereupon such debt or portion thereof shall be cancelled and written off accordingly.

(2) The total amount which may be so cancelled and written off in all cases under this section shall not exceed One million five hundred and sixty thousand pounds and not more than one-third of the total amount mentioned shall be so cancelled and written off in any one year.—(*Mr. Downward.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following sub-section be added after sub-section (2) :—

“(3) Adverse circumstances referred to in sub-section (1) of this section shall *inter alia* include—

- (a) diseases in live stock ;
- (b) inability to meet obligations through insufficient area of land ;
- (c) blocks overvalued ;
- (d) overcharges for buildings.

—(*Mr. Bailey.*)

Question—That sub-section (3) proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 23.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Jewell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Cain	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Clough	Mr. Slater
Mr. Cook	Mr. Solly
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Hjorth	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Holland	Mr. Webber

Noes, 32.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Morley
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Old
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Oman
Mr. Bowser	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Deany	Mr. Walter
Mr. Downward	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. West
Mr. Everard	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Groves
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Lind	

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2—

Further amendment proposed—That the following sub-section be added after sub-section (2) :—

“(4) The Board may in any case, and on the application of any lessee shall, review the cost of any building erected for a lessee and shall in each case reviewed report to the Minister the amount (if any) by which the cost of such building has in his opinion exceeded a reasonable price for such building, and the debt of the lessee shall to the extent of such excess be cancelled and written off.”
—(*Mr. Bond.*)

Question—That sub-section (4) proposed to be added be so added—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.		Noes, 28.	
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McAdam	Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Angus	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Bond	(<i>Daylesford</i>)	Dr. Argyle	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Mr. Brownbill	Mr. Morley	Mr. Baird	Sir William McPherson
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Old	Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard	Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast	Mr. Bowser	Mr. Walter
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater	Mr. Deany	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Solly	Mr. Downward	Mr. West
Mr. Frost	Mr. Wallace	Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Hjorth		Mr. Everard	
Mr. Hogan	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Gordon	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Holland	Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Greenwood	
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves
		Mr. Lind	Mr. Pennington

And so it passed in the negative.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 3.—*Railway Loan Application Bill.*—Schedule.

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No. of Item, 1—Sub-item No. 96.—Various—Additions and improvements to, and works in connexion with the Chalet at Mount Buffalo (<i>Estimated amount required to 31st October, 1926</i>)	£27,500
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						(<i>Mr. Eggleston.</i>)

Amendment proposed—That Item 1, Sub-item 96, be omitted.—(*Mr. Billson.*)

Question—That Item 1, Sub-item 96, proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 37.		Noes, 16.	
Mr. Allan	Mr. Lind	Mr. Angus	Mr. McAdam
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Mackrell	Mr. Billson	Mr. Morley
Mr. Bailey	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Bond	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Baird	(<i>Polwarth</i>)	Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Barnes	Sir William McPherson	Mr. Clough	
Mr. Beardmore	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Old	Mr. Farthing	
Mr. Cain	Mr. Oman	Mr. Greenwood	Mr. Cook
Mr. Cotter	Sir Alexander Peacock	Mr. Hughes	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Downward	Mr. Pennington	Mr. Jewell	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Dunstan	Mr. Prendergast		
Mr. Eggleston	Mr. Slater		
Mr. Frost	Mr. Tunnecliffe		
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Walter		
Mr. Hogan	Mr. Weaver		
Mr. Holland	Mr. Webber		
Mr. Jackson			
Mr. Keane	<i>Tellers.</i>		
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Groves		
Mr. Lemmon	Mr. Wettenhall		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1925.

No. 16.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 23RD DECEMBER, 1925.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—*Income Tax Bill* (No. 2).—Resolution.

Resolved—That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the *Income Tax Acts* be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the Consolidated Revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):—

- (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
 (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
 for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Threepence “and a halfpenny,” and

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—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “and a halfpenny,” in lines 7–8, be omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)
 Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the resolution—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Mackrell
Mr. Allison	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Angus	(<i>Polwarth</i>)
Dr. Argyle	Mr. Morley
Mr. Baird	Mr. Old
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Oman
Mr. Beardmore	Sir Alexander Peacock
Colonel Bouchier	Mr. Pennington
Mr. Bowser	Mr. Toutcher
Mr. Carlisle	Mr. Weaver
Mr. Deany	Mr. West
Mr. Downward	Mr. Wettenhall
Mr. Eggleston	
Mr. Everard	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Gordon	
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Farthing
Mr. Lind	Mr. Groves

Noes, 28.

Mr. Bailey	Mr. Keane
Mr. Blackburn	Mr. McAdam
Mr. Bond	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Brownbill	(<i>Daylesford</i>)
Mr. Cain	Mr. Murphy
Mr. Clough	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Cook	Mr. Prendergast
Mr. Cotter	Mr. Slater
Mr. Frost	Mr. Solly
Mr. Hayes	Mr. Tunnecliffe
Mr. Hjorth	Mr. Wallace
Mr. Hogan	
Mr. Holland	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Jewell	Mr. Webber

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

1925.

VICTORIA.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

JOINT SITTING

OF THE

HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT OF THE STATE OF VICTORIA

TO CHOOSE A PERSON

TO

HOLD THE PLACE IN THE SENATE

RENDERED VACANT BY THE

DEATH OF SENATOR EDWARD JOHN RUSSELL.

Held in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act.

By Authority:

H. J. GREEN, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, MELBOURNE.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

JOINT SITTING

HELD IN THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1925.

The Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly having, pursuant to resolution, assembled in the Legislative Assembly Chamber:—

1. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.—The Honorable John Bowser, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, rose and moved—That the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke, President of the Legislative Council, be appointed President of this Joint Sitting, which motion, being seconded by the Honorable J. Sternberg, M.L.C., was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable F. G. Clarke, having expressed his acknowledgments for the honour which had been conferred upon him, then took the Chair.

2. RULES OF PROCEDURE.—The Attorney-General, the Honorable F. W. Eggleston, M.L.A., submitted the following rules of procedure for the consideration of honorable members, and moved that they be adopted as the rules of procedure of this Joint Sitting:—

1. On any debate arising the same shall be conducted according to parliamentary usage.

2. A Member, addressing himself to the President, shall propose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell, and such proposition shall be duly seconded. When any person is so proposed his proposer shall state to the Members present that such person is willing to hold the vacant place if chosen.

3. If only one person be proposed and seconded the President shall declare—“That has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.”

4. If more than one person be proposed and seconded the person to hold the vacant place shall, subject to the following rules, be chosen by ballot.

5. Before giving directions to proceed with the ballot, the President shall ask if any Member desires to propose any other person to hold the vacant place, and, no other person being proposed, the ballot shall be proceeded with, after which no person shall be proposed.

6. Each Member present shall be provided with a ballot-paper certified by the Clerks of the two Houses, and shall write thereon the name of one of the persons duly proposed, and shall place his ballot-paper in the ballot-box.

7. If two or more persons be proposed and seconded the proposer of each of such persons shall name some Member present to be a scrutineer. The scrutineers, with the Clerks of the two Houses, shall retire and ascertain the number of votes for each person; and the scrutineers shall make a written report of the result to the President.

8. No informal vote shall be taken into account.

9. If on the first ballot no person shall have received an absolute majority of the votes polled a second ballot shall be taken, and the name of the person who shall have received the fewest votes at the first ballot shall be excluded; but if at the first ballot the names of only two persons be submitted, and the number of votes for such persons be equal, the scrutineers shall by drawing lots determine which of such persons shall be chosen to hold the vacant place, and the person whose name shall be first drawn shall be deemed to have been duly chosen.

10. Until one of the persons proposed obtains an absolute majority of the votes polled, or (as the case may be) is chosen by lot to hold the vacant place, successive ballots shall be taken, and at each such ballot the name of the person who shall have the fewest votes at the preceding ballot shall be excluded.

11. If on any ballot it shall be necessary to decide between two or more persons as to which one is to be excluded from a subsequent ballot through the number of votes for such persons being equal, a special ballot shall be taken at which the names of only those persons shall be submitted, and the name of the person having the fewest votes at such special ballot shall be excluded; but if on any special ballot it shall be necessary to decide between two or more persons as to which one is to be excluded from a subsequent ballot through the number of votes for such persons being equal, the scrutineers by drawing lots shall determine which one of such persons shall be excluded, and the name of the person last drawn shall be excluded.

12. If at any ballot, other than the first ballot or a special ballot hereinbefore provided for, the names of only two persons be submitted, and the number of votes for such persons be equal, the scrutineers shall, by drawing lots, determine which of those persons shall be chosen to hold the vacant place, and the person whose name shall be first drawn shall be deemed to have been duly chosen.

13. As soon as any person obtains an absolute majority of the votes polled, or (as the case may be) is chosen by lot to hold the vacant place, the President shall declare—"That _____ has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell."

14. The President shall in all cases be entitled to a vote.

15. The records of the proceedings and the ballot-papers shall be retained by the Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of Victoria, who shall be the custodian thereof, and shall keep the ballot-papers safely for one year, and thereafter destroy them.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. SCRUTINEERS' REPORTS.—The Attorney-General, the Honorable F. W. Eggleston, moved, That the number of votes received by each candidate be not disclosed by the Scrutineers in their reports.

Question put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. PERSONS PROPOSED TO HOLD THE VACANT PLACE IN THE SENATE.—The President announced that, the rules having been adopted, he was now prepared to receive proposals from any honorable member with regard to a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.

The Honorable J. Gordon, M.L.A., proposed the Honorable William Plain, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named A. A. Farthing, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable H. Angus, M.L.A.

A. E. Lind, Esquire, M.L.A., proposed David Andrew, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named the Honorable J. J. Carlisle, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable M. E. Wettenhall, M.L.A.

The Honorable F. E. Old, M.L.A., proposed John Joseph Hall, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named A. A. Dunstan, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, M.L.C.

I. J. Weaver, Esquire, M.L.A., proposed Edwin Reseigh, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named A. L. N. Walter, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by A. L. N. Walter, Esquire, M.L.A.

5. BALLOTS.—The President having asked if any Member desired to propose any other person to hold the vacant place, and no other person being proposed, the President declared that the period for proposing persons had closed, and directed the ballots to be proceeded with, the names of the persons proposed, in the order in which they were proposed, being :—

PLAIN, W.
ANDREW, D.
HALL, J. J.
RESEIGH, E.

Ballot-papers duly certified by the Clerks of the two Houses were issued to honorable members before each ballot, and such ballot-papers when filled in were deposited in the ballot-box.

At the conclusion of each ballot the scrutineers, with the Clerks of the two Houses, made a scrutiny of the votes received by each person, and the written report of the scrutineers was handed to the President.

6. RESULT OF BALLOTS.—The result of each ballot, as reported by the scrutineers, and the declaration of the President thereon, were as follows :—

First Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the first ballot, 92 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. Reseigh obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. Reseigh's name excluded from the second ballot.

Second Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the second ballot, 92 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. Andrew obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. Andrew's name excluded from the third ballot.

Third Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the third ballot, 92 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

The Honorable William Plain obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

The President thereupon declared that the Honorable William Plain, having obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled, had been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.

7. **NOTIFICATION TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The Attorney-General, the Honorable F. W. Eggleston, M.L.A., moved—That the President be requested to inform His Excellency the Governor that the Honorable William Plain has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT.**—The Premier, the Honorable J. Allan, M.L.A., moved a vote of thanks to the President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable G. M. Prendergast, M.L.A., and carried unanimously.

The President, having returned thanks, declared the Joint Sitting closed.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council and Clerk of the Parliaments.

W. R. ALEXANDER,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

