

VICTORIA NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SESSION 1874

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 21ST MAY 1874.

1. MR. CONNOR: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the very large extent of Crown Lands (extending from Loutitt Bay to Curdie's River) reserved as a State Forest; and ask him, if there is any objection to permit a portion of the reserve to be opened for settlement.
2. MR. A. T. CLARK: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the failure of justice in the case of the defaulter O'Ferall; and ask him whether the Government intend to take any further steps to insure his arrest and subsequent punishment.
3. MR. MCLELLAN: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, if he has considered the circumstances under which a Writ was recently issued for the election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of St. Kilda, and the circumstances under which the late Attorney-General resigned; and if he is of opinion that the resignation and recent election were in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution Act, the Electoral Act, and other enactments bearing on the question.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—(Unopposed.)

1. MR. LEVIEN: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of all appointments of profit made by the present Government, the dates upon which they were made, and the names of the gentlemen appointed.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CREWERS: To move, That Mr. B. G. Davies be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House.
2. MR. EVERARD: To move, That Mr. F. L. Smyth be Chairman of Committees of this House.
3. MR. BENT: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to take into consideration the laws relating to markets.
4. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week, during the present Session be the days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business, and that four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day, and that no fresh business (except the postponement of business on the paper) be called on after eleven o'clock p.m.
5. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week, during the present Session, the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business, except that on Wednesday, Private Bills shall have precedence from half-past four to half-past six o'clock.
6. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Assembly: during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Walker, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. R. M. Smith, and Mr. Jones.
7. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Hanna, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. Bayles, and Mr. Coppin.
8. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. MacBain, Mr. Whiteman, Mr. Thomas, Major W. C. Smith, and Mr. Godfrey.
9. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the following Members form the Select Committee on Standing Orders, five to form a quorum:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Higinbotham, Mr. Gillies, Mr. Service, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Grant, Mr. Kerferd, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Wrixon, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. Lalor, and the Chairman of Committees.
10. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session, three to form a quorum:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. John Richardson, Mr. Berry, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Everard, Mr. Crews, Mr. Madden, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Mason, and Mr. Bent.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH—Motion for—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 26TH MAY.

1. MR. COPPIN: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to reduce the Yan Yean Water rates; and if so, when will the reduction take place, and to what extent will it be made.
2. MR. STEWART: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the unjust and unequal operation of the 49th section of "The Land Act 1865"; and to ask if he will take steps to give relief to holders of land under that section.
3. MR. J. T. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when the promised survey of a line of railway from Blackwood will be commenced.

4. MR. MACPHERSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the great delay in the construction of the line of railway from Ballarat to Ararat ; also in the survey of the line from Ararat to Hamilton ; and to ask when the former will be completed, and the latter undertaken.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. MR. WOODS : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 31st clause of the "*Mining Statute Amendment Act*" of 1872.
2. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
3. MR. LEVIEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the existing Fencing and Impounding Acts.
4. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
5. MR. GILLIES : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the expenditure proposed to be incurred by the Board of Land and Works under the Act No. 475.
6. MR. FRANCIS : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Constitution Act.

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1. MR. STEWART : To call the attention of the Hon. the Treasurer to the desirability of giving the public greater facilities for using the Mint ; and to ask if he will appoint the various sub-treasuries on the gold-fields receiving offices for the Royal Mint.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS, To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.

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1. ACTING ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST MAY 1874.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 1.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 2.
Return of Members of the Legislative Council, 19th May 1874, at the opening of the twenty-second session of Parliament.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 1.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[1]
Reports of Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 31st December 1873. No. 4.
Geological Survey of the Colony—Report of Progress. No. 7.
Mineral Statistics of Victoria for the year 1873. No. 8.
Shipping Returns, &c., for 1873. No. 11.
Melbourne Mint—Despatch, &c. No. 17.

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5. MR. CAMPBELL: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, whether he will refrain from enforcing the condition of residence in the case of any particular selectors under the Land Act 1869, until the whole subject shall have been brought under the consideration of this House in connection with an Amending Land Act.
6. MR. SULLIVAN: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, if it is the intention of the Government to afford the colonial tradesmen an opportunity of competing for the work of furnishing the new Government House.
7. MR. A. T. CLARK: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the failure of justice in the case of the defaulter O'Ferall; and ask him whether the Government intend to take any further steps to insure his arrest and subsequent punishment.
8. DR. MADDEN: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, if it is proposed to extend telegraphic communication to Blackwood, and when.
9. MR. CURTAIN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the recent dismissal of Senior Constable Fagan and Constable Halpin from the Police Force; and to ask if, under the circumstances, the offence not having been committed by them wilfully, but as a misconception of duty under the new Police Act, he will take such steps as may be necessary to restore them to their former position in the force.

Government Business.

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1. MARKET LAWS—Resolution to be considered in Committee.

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1. MR. STEWART: To call the attention of the Hon. the Treasurer to the desirability of giving the public greater facilities for using the Mint; and to ask if he will appoint the various sub-treasuries on the gold-fields receiving offices for the Royal Mint.
2. MR. COPPIN: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer, if it is his intention during the present Session of Parliament to alter the scale and rate of postage, so as to reduce the charge to one penny upon all letters posted and delivered within cities, towns, or municipalities and their suburbs, and to allow all newspapers to leave the colony by sea post free.
3. MR. DUFFY: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the want of a wood siding at Kilmore East Railway Station; and to ask him when he will be able to supply the same.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ACTING ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WOODS, To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,

Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND MAY.

- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 2.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[2]
 Railway Construction Act 1873—Estimate of Expenditure under. A.—No. 1.
 Statistics, 1872—Part VII.—Interchange. No. 1.
 „ Part VIII.—Vital Statistics, &c. No. 2.
 „ Part IX.—Religious, Moral, and Intellectual Progress. No. 3.
 Pilot Board—Accounts, &c., for year ending 31st August 1873. No. 5.
 Health Officer—Report for year ending 31st December 1873. No. 6.
 Coalfields—Reports of the Board. No. 9.
 Statistics, 1873—Part I.—Blue Book. No. 12.
 Hospitals for the Insane—Report, &c., for 1873. No. 14.
 Chief Medical Officer—Return of Diseases, &c., for 1873. No. 15.
 Statistics, 1873—Part II.—Finance, &c. No. 16.
 Chief Medical Officer—Report on the Sanatory Station for 1873. No. 23.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. MR. JAMES: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, if it is his intention to appoint a Commission or Board of practical men to take evidence as to the best course to be adopted in the interest of the colony generally with regard to the classes of articles that should be protected, and the maximum and minimum amount of taxation that is necessary to be imposed so as to meet as nearly as possible the interests of all parties, and to do away with the necessity for such frequent revision of the Tariff.
5. MR. G. V. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, what steps he intends to take this year to establish efficient training schools for teachers.
6. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, if he will afford the House an early opportunity of discussing the Notice of Motion in reference to prospecting for coal and gold.
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9. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether, the permanent survey of the railway from Ararat to Stawell being now completed, it is his intention to call for tenders for the construction of the works at once.
10. MR. WITT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands if he is aware of any case where a selector who has paid three years rental, and whose *bona fides* are admitted, has been required to re-commence payment of the annual rent.
11. MR. YOUNG: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a recent decision of the Supreme Court, in the case of Patrick v. The Tommy Dodd Company; and to ask him if the Government intend taking steps to remedy the present unsatisfactory state of the law with reference to mining companies.
12. MR. LALOR: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will consent to refer to the Standing Orders Committee for its consideration the facts connected with the recent issue of Writs for the Electoral Districts of St. Kilda and the Ovens.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relative to the selection of an allotment of land in the parish of Gembrook by John Chatfield Tyler, and all papers in connection with its valuation and subsequent sale to the above-named person.

Government Business.

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1. MR. GILLIES: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the expenditure proposed to be incurred by the Board of Land and Works under the Act No. 475.

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2. ACTING ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BILL—Second reading.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolution to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 28TH MAY.

1. **MR. WITT** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, whether any correspondence has taken place since the dissolution of the last Parliament between the Government of this Colony and the Government of New South Wales, concerning the question of the Border Duties, with a view to the permanent abolition of the same ; also, whether any steps have been taken by the present Government to induce the Governments of the other Australian Colonies to unite in the formation of a Customs Union.
2. **MR. CARROLL** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands, if he will appoint a resident Crown Lands Bailiff at Ararat.
3. **MR. BENT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the large number of persons that are left off the Parliamentary rolls every year through the non-payment of local rates by the 10th of June ; and to ask whether the Government will bring in a short Bill authorising officers to place upon the rolls the names of persons appearing upon the rate-book whether the rates are paid or not.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the following Members form the Standing Committee of Public Accounts :—Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Service, Mr. Berry, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. Francis, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. Murray Smith, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Munro, Mr. Must, Mr. G. V. Smith, and the Mover ; five to form a quorum.
2. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That the Report of the Commissioners of Audit, presented to Parliament on Wednesday, 20th May inst., be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all Correspondence which has taken place since the dissolution of the last Parliament, between the Government of this Colony and the Government of New South Wales, concerning the question of the Border Duties, with a view to the permanent abolition of the same.

TUESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

1. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the difficulty and uncertainty of binding the consciences of the Chinese population and other persons, from the peculiar and diverse modes adopted in order to secure a declaration to speak the truth in our courts of law ; and to ask if it is his intention to bring in a Bill to render a false statement made before any court punishable on the witness being simply called on to speak the truth, and generally to substitute declarations for oaths.

2. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the cases of Messrs. Barr and Bickett's selections near Birregurra, under "The Land Act 1869"; and to ask him if he will re-consider his decision in those cases.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD JUNE.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. FENCING AND IMPOUNDING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22ND MAY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 2.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 3.
Criminal Law and Practice Statute Amendment Bill.—[4]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 3.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[3]
Finance—The Treasurer's Statement, &c. A.—No. 2. (To Members of both Houses.)
Issue of Writs—Message: B.—No. 1.
Statistics, 1873—Part III.—Population. No. 19.
Statistics, 1873—Part IV.—Accumulation. No. 24:
Acting Engineer-in-Chief of Railways Bill.—[3]



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1. **SUPPLY**—Motion for—To be considered in Committee.
2. **THE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1873**—Estimate of Expenditure—Resolution to be considered in Committee.
3. **ACTING ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all Correspondence which has taken place since the dissolution of the last Parliament, between the Government of this Colony and the Government of New South Wales, concerning the question of the Border Duties, with a view to the permanent abolition of the same.

TUESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

1. **MR. CONNOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the cases of Messrs. Barr and Bickett's selections near Birregurra, under "*The Land Act 1869*"; and to ask him if he will re-consider his decision in those cases.
2. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the administration of the Education Act in connection with the educational wants of the Wimmera district; and to ask what steps, if any, have been taken by his Department to carry out the suggestions made during the year 1873 by the then existing Local Board of Advice at Horsham; and further, if it is the intention of the Government to amend the present Act in the direction of conferring greater powers on Local Boards of Advice than they at present possess.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
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NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS, To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. FENCING AND IMPOUNDING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

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1. MR. J. T. SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the difficulty and uncertainty of binding the consciences of the Chinese population and other persons, from the peculiar and diverse modes adopted in order to secure a declaration to speak the truth in our courts of law ; and to ask if it is his intention to bring in a Bill to render a false statement made before any court punishable on the witness being simply called on to speak the truth, and generally to substitute declarations for oaths.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH MAY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 3.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[4]

Finance—The Treasurer's Statement, &c. A.—No. 2. (Issue completed.)

Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 31st March 1874. No. 21.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1874.

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4. MR. MCLELLAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he has any objection to lay on the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence that has passed between the Railway Department and the Agent-General, during the last two years respecting the purchase of materials for the construction of railways.
5. MR. CREWS: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that complaints are constantly being made with reference to the issue of transfers from the Lands Titles Office; and to ask if he will take steps to remedy the evil.
6. MR. WHITEMAN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the state of the Albert Park Lagoon; and to ask what position the contractors are in with regard to the completion of the work.
7. MR. DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he intends to issue return tickets on the Victorian Railways on a scale in proportion to the present price of single tickets.
8. MR. CURTAIN: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether negotiations are still pending between the Government and the Hobson's Bay Railway Company relative to the purchase of the Company's lines, and; if so, whether he can state at present to the House whether they are likely to result in the Government proposing the purchase of said lines to Parliament.
9. MR. WHITEMAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education what action he intends to take in the matter of the Clarendon street State School site at Emerald Hill.
10. MR. BENT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture to the large number of persons who have obtained Crown Grants for land, having made improvements thereon without complying with the condition of residence; and to ask him whether the Government will publicly notify that all persons may select land under similar circumstances.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LANGTON: To move, That the following Members form the Standing Committee of Public Accounts:—Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Service, Mr. Berry, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. Francis, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. Murray Smith, Mr. MacBain, Mr. Munro, Mr. Must, Mr. G. V. Smith, and the Mover; with power to call for persons and papers, and to report to the House from time to time; five to form a quorum.
2. MR. LANGTON: To move, That the Report of the Commissioners of Audit, presented to Parliament on Wednesday, 20th May inst., be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—Resolution to be reported.
2. THE RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION ACT 1873—Estimate of Expenditure—Resolution to be reported.
3. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. ACTING ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BILL—Consideration of Report.

General Business.

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4. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the Commissions by which Mr. Justice Pohlman was appointed an acting Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court in the years 1859 and 1871, together with copies of all Official Correspondence in the year 1871 and subsequently, between the Attorney-General and the Chief Justice or Mr. Justice Pohlman, relating to the date of the resumption of duty by the Chief Justice, and the expiry of the Commission of Mr. Justice Pohlman.
5. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return, showing the sums actually expended by the State on Immigration during the years 1870, 1871, 1871-2, and 1872-3, together with the Votes out of which such sums were paid, and distinguishing the amounts expended in each of those years for salaries, contingencies, expenses of the Agent-General and Emigration Commissioners, and the introduction of immigrants.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the total expenditure in advertising the disposal of the 4 per cent loan.
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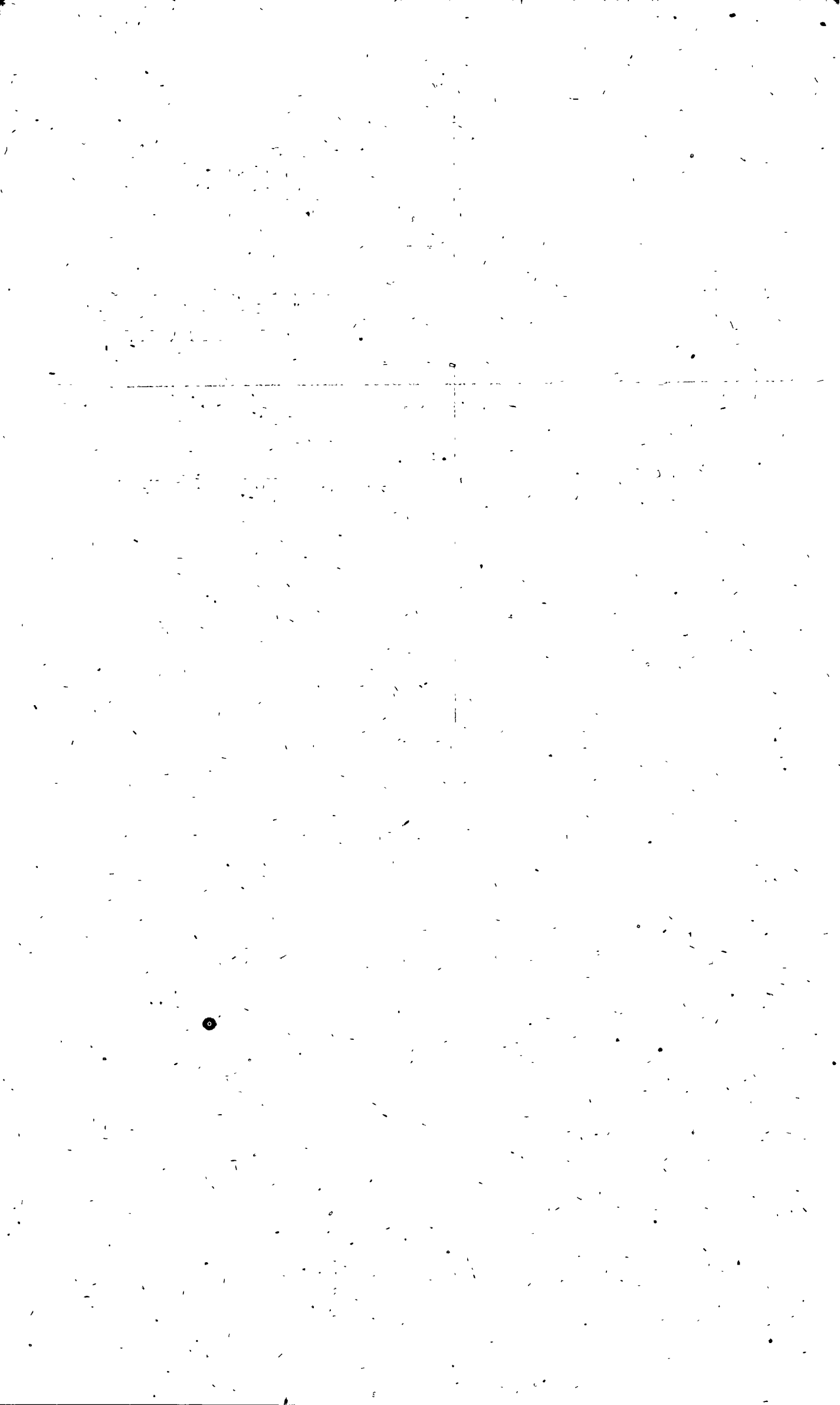
PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH MAY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 4 and No. 5.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[5]

Constitution Amendment Bill.—[2]

Acting Engineer-in-Chief's Bill.—[3] .As reported 28th May. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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6. **MR. CONNOR** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if there is any objection to the establishment of a receipt and pay office at Colac.
7. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when he will proceed with the erection of the goods shed at Buninyong East, for which money was voted during the last session of Parliament.
8. **MR. DIXON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the delay in proceeding with the erection of a State school in the Town of Prahran ; and to ask when the building will be commenced.
9. **MR. LALOR** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines whether he will take steps to supply the inhabitants of Elaine with water for mining and domestic purposes.
10. **MR. DIXON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education whether it is intended to enlarge the size of the State school now being erected at St. Kilda ; and, if so, when the extra work will be proceeded with.
11. **MR. MACBAIN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he has been supplied with information regarding the detention of the mail steamer *Nubia* at the South Australian port for a longer period than usual.
12. **MR. CURTAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to a promise made by his predecessor to the House last session, to the effect that swimming baths should be established (where water is available) in connection with the State schools, wherein the pupils should be taught the art of swimming ; and to ask him what has been done in furtherance of that object.
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15. **MR. BURROWES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the high price charged for water at Sandhurst ; and to ask him when he intends to reduce it to that charged in other places, viz., Melbourne, Castlemaine, or Ballarat.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. WALKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The population in each electorate of the Colony at the late general election.
 - (2.) The number of male and female residents in each electorate over 21 years of age.
 - (3.) The number of electors on the ratepayers and general rolls respectively, in each electorate.
 - (4.) The number of electors in each electorate who voted, distinguishing the ratepayers from the general votes.
 - (5.) The number of votes received by each candidate in each electorate.
 - (6.) The number of electors left off the roll through non-payment of rates.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KERFERD: To move, That the facts connected with the recent Issue of Writs for the Electoral Districts of St. Kilda and the Ovens be referred to the Standing Orders Committee, to consider and report on the desirability of adopting an uniform practice with regard to the issue of writs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS, To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
2. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and documents, including all correspondence in connection with Paul McAnulty, late keeper of the Melbourne County Court, and his removal therefrom to the Police Court.
3. MR. WOODS: To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
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THURSDAY, 4TH JUNE.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. G. PATON SMITH: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, the papers and correspondence relative to the purchase of a piece of land at Caulfield, by the Education Department, from Mr. Samuel Masters.

TUESDAY, 9TH JUNE.

1. MR. J. T. SMITH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the difficulty and uncertainty of binding the consciences of the Chinese population and other persons, from the peculiar and diverse modes adopted in order to secure a declaration to speak the truth in our courts of law; and to ask if it is his intention to bring in a Bill to render a false statement made before any court punishable on the witness being simply called on to speak the truth, and generally to substitute declarations for oaths.
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3. MR. MACBAIN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to steps taken by the Agent-General for Victoria, as reported in the press, in trying to induce the Imperial Government to consent to a deviation in the route for carrying the mails of the P. and O. S. N. Company; and to ask if the Agent-General was acting under the instructions of his Government; also, what advantages will be derived by this colony if such change is accomplished, and if any guarantee will be required by this Government that no delay shall take place in the transit of mails in consequence of such change.

General Business.

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TUESDAY 16TH JUNE.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.
Wednesday, 3rd June 1874.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 29TH MAY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 4.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[6]

Post Office and Telegraph Department—Report on—for the year 1873. No. 13.

Post Office Savings Bank—Statement of Accounts, &c., for year ended 31st December 1873. No. 20.

Penal Establishments and Gaols—Report of the Inspector-General for the year ending 31st December 1873. No. 26.

Employment of Polynesians on Her Majesty's vessels—Copy-Despatch, &c. No. 27.

Mining Statute Amendment Bill.—[8]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 4TH JUNE, 1874.

1. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the desirability of connecting the Birregurra and Colac forests with the Geelong and Colac railway by tramway ; and to ask what concessions (if any) the Government are prepared to offer to a company making tramways from the railway to these forests.
2. MR. POPE : - To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if any, and how many applications have been made for resumption of auriferous lands under the regulations framed to carry out the intention of section 90 of the Land Act 1869.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the proclamation of the 20th May 1874, under the Fisheries Act 1873, "declaring and defining the mouth of the River Yarra, within which nets and fixed engines may not be used," should be annulled, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to annul the same accordingly.
2. MR. WOODS, To move, That this House will, on Tuesday-next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
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3. MR. MACBAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to steps taken by the Agent-General for Victoria, as reported in the press, in trying to induce the Imperial Government to consent to a deviation in the route for carrying the mails of the P. and O. S. N. Company ; and to ask if the Agent-General was acting under the instructions of his Government ; also, what advantages will be derived by this colony if such change is accomplished, and if any guarantee will be required by this Government that no delay shall take place in the transit of mails in consequence of such change.
4. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the fact that only a small proportion of the companies carrying on the business of Life Insurance in Victoria have registered themselves as required by the recent Act ; and to ask if he will take steps to enforce compliance with its provisions.
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1. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the total expenditure in advertising the disposal of the 4 per cent loan.
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 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
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WEDNESDAY, 10TH JUNE.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WILKIN : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH JUNE.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 7.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[7]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

—TUESDAY, 9TH JUNE 1874.

1. **MR. J. T. SMITH:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the difficulty and uncertainty of binding the consciences of the Chinese population and other persons, from the peculiar and diverse modes adopted in order to secure a declaration to speak the truth in our courts of law; and to ask if it is his intention to bring in a Bill to render a false statement made before any court punishable on the witness being simply called on to speak the truth, and generally to substitute declarations for oaths.
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6. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the unsatisfactory state of the law at present existing with reference to the transfer of bonded certificates of goods; and to ask, whether the Government will take steps forthwith to remedy its defects.
7. **MR. A. T. CLARK:** To ask the Honorable the President of Lands, if it has been determined to allow portions of the banks of the Barwon above the breakwater to be used for the establishment of such trades as tanning, fellmongering, &c.; and if so, whether the sites are to be submitted to public competition.
8. **MR. JONES:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs to the charge for duties upon brass tubes levied by the Customs department upon the Phoenix Foundry Company; and to ask, whether the Government will place a sum upon the Estimates to recoup the Company the amount so levied.
9. **MR. BENT:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education when the erection of a State School at West Brighton will be commenced.
10. **MR. COPPIN:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill during the present session to amend the Friendly Societies Statute.
11. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he has any objection to refer the question of the O'Ferrall frauds and the report of the Audit Commissioners thereon to a Select Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, the papers and correspondence relative to the purchase of a piece of land at Caulfield, by the Education Department, from Mr. Samuel Masters.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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WEDNESDAY, 10TH JUNE.

1. MR. CARROLL : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the Educational wants of the Ararat district; and to ask what steps are being taken with respect to the erection of schools at Ararat, Rhydney, Kalyenna, Jackson's Creek, and BurrumbEEP.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS, To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,

Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 9th June.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 10th June.

NOTICING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 4.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 8.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[8]

Supplementary Estimates 1873-4—Message. B.—No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. **MR. STEWART** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the delay that takes place in dealing with applications under the 31st section of the Land Act 1869 ; and to the desirability of amending the present practice ; and to ask if he will take steps to facilitate the right of purchase and issue of Crown grants under that section.
3. **MR. POPE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to certain complaints, especially as to remuneration and status of teachers employed in State schools ; and to ask what steps, if any, are being taken, or are intended to be taken, to redress such grievances.
4. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways when he will proceed with the erection of the goods shed at Buninyong East, for which money was voted during the last session of Parliament.

Private Bill Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That leave be given to introduce a Bill intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain banking company called the Bank of Victoria and for other purposes therein mentioned.'*"

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
2. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 11TH JUNE.

1. MR. J. T. SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the exposed position of the Sunbury Schools ; and to ask him what progress has been made in planting the bald hill at Sunbury (where so many children are located in the Industrial Schools), so as to afford shelter from the bleak winds of winter and the hot blasts of summer ; and how soon such an object is likely to be accomplished.
2. MR. RIDDELL : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the delay in erecting the promised crane at the new wharf at Footscray ; and to ask when it will be erected.

TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE.

1. MR. COPPIN : To call attention to an inconsistency in the scale upon which the Yan Yean water rate has been reduced ; and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary to bring the subject before the Executive Council for reconsideration, in order that consumers of water by meter may obtain a corresponding reduction with other ratepayers.
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1. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JUNE.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
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 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 10th June.

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.
LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH JUNE.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 5.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 9.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[9]

Moult and Morris—Return. C.—No. 1.

Border Customs—Further Correspondence. No. 10.

Life Assurance Companies Act 1873—Copy Despatch, &c. No. 29.

Bank of Victoria Act Continuation of Powers Bill. - (Private.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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5. **MR. LALOR** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands if it has been brought under his notice that the decision recently arrived at by the Local Land Board sitting at Geelong, regarding the applications for sites on the River Barwon, was written out before the case was heard.
6. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the desirability of dealing with applications for lands of exceptional value in an uniform manner; and to ask him if he will endeavor to do so.
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8. **MR. LALOR** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, whether any correspondence has recently taken place between the Government and the Directors of the Hobson's Bay Railway Company regarding the purchase of that company's property; and, if so, if he has any objection to lay such correspondence on the Table of the House.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
3. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.

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2. MR. WRIXON: To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or Penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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WEDNESDAY, 17TH JUNE.

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 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands; in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, *on an early day*, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH JUNE.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 10.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[10]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 16TH JUNE 1874.

1. **MR. COPPIN**: To call attention to an inconsistency in the scale upon which the Yan Yean water rate has been reduced; and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary to bring the subject before the Executive Council for reconsideration, in order that consumers of water by meter may obtain a corresponding reduction with other ratepayers.
2. **MR. CONNOR**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the cases of Messrs. Barr and Bickett's selections near Birregurra, under "The Land Act 1869"; and to ask him if he will re-consider his decision in those cases.
3. **MR. S. FRASER**: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General whether it is his intention to introduce the system of double staff duty in the General Post Office, Melbourne, similar to that which obtains in the General Post Office, London, so far as the Mail Branch of the Department is concerned, in order to obviate the delay occasioned in the sorting and delivery of the letters arriving by the late night trains.
4. **MR. WITT**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the circumstance that there is lying in the hands of the Curator of Intestate Estates upwards of One hundred pounds left by the late Peter Kennon, of Snowy Creek, who was accidentally killed some time ago; that the grave of the deceased has never been fenced in, and is exposed to the trespass of cattle, horses, and pigs; and to ask if he will instruct the Curator of Intestate Estates to cause a suitable fence to be erected out of the money in his hands around the grave of deceased.
5. **MR. INGLIS**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the desirability of Drawing being made free in our State Schools; and to ask him if he has any objection to recommend a sum being placed upon the Estimates to carry out that object.
6. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the insufficient provision made for the extinction of fire in the City of Melbourne and chief towns of the colony; and to ask whether the Government have any intention of introducing a measure to deal with the subject.
7. **MR. GODFREY**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the Report of a Select Committee of this House on the Yan Yean Tramroad, ordered to be printed on the 17th May 1866; and to ask him whether he will place a sufficient sum of money on the Estimates to carry out the recommendation of the Committee or include this work in any future railway scheme.
8. **MR. PATTERSON**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if he will give the House any information in reference to the route by which he proposes to bring in the Gippsland Railway from Oakleigh to Melbourne.
9. **MR. LEVIEN**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General at whose instigation one Roderick Kennedy was (through instructions sent from Melbourne to Donnybrook) summoned by the police for an assault upon Patrick McGaïn, after proceedings had been taken and mutually abandoned by the persons immediately interested.
10. **MR. LALOR**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Crown Lands and Agriculture to the statement lately made in the *Argus*, to the effect that the decision recently arrived at by a Local Land Board sitting at Geelong, regarding the applicants for sites on the river Barwon, was written out before the case was heard; and to ask him if he will act upon the decision of the Board if it is made to appear to him that the statement in the *Argus* is correct.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
2. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be considered in Committee.

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10. MR. LEVIEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Pounds Act 1874.*"
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
2. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
3. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JUNE.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on an early day*, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 16th June.

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 5.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 11.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[11]

Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 55, during the year 1872-3. No. 31.

Visits of Her Majesty's Ships to the Australasian Colonies—Copy Despatch, &c. No. 37.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH JUNE. 1874.

1. **MR. MUST :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways :—
 - (1.) When the permanent surveys of the line from Portland to Hamilton will be completed.
 - (2.) When tenders will be advertised for the construction of the line.
 - (3.) Whether the construction of the line will take place concurrently with the one from Ararat to Hamilton ; that is, whether the two lines will be divided into sections and the whole advertised for construction at the same time.
2. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the fact that, no contracts for new State school buildings have yet been called for the city of Ballarat, and to ask :—
 - (1.) If State school buildings will, at an early day, be commenced in the city of Ballarat, seeing that two are in the course of erection in Ballarat East, and several others in the surrounding districts.
 - (2.) Does the Government propose (as intimated to the Ballarat city board of advice) to compel children at present attending the overcrowded schools in the city to be sent to schools in Ballarat East, while they fail to provide suitable places for them within the city.
 - (3.) What are the intentions of the Department relative to the two school-sites within the city of Ballarat, which have been taken exception to by the board of advice.
3. **MR. CONNOR :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs to the desirability of making a track along the sea coast from Cape Otway to Curdie's River, and the establishment of a Pilot Station at Apollo Bay ; and to ask if the Government will give the matter consideration.
4. **MR. CAMPBELL :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education when fresh tenders will be called—
 - (1.) For the erection of a State school building at Moonambel.
 - (2.) For the erection of State school building at Natte Yaloke.
 - (3.) For additions to State school building at Percydale.
 - (4.) For teachers' residences in connection with the above schools.
5. **MR. LEVIEN :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the necessity of providing school accommodation at Curlewis and Portarling ; also, to the condition of the existing schools at Drysdale ; and to ask the intention of the Government in relation thereto.
6. **MR. HUNT :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the desirability of having a wood siding constructed on the North-Eastern Railway, north of the Dividing Range, near Morphets ; and to ask whether he will undertake to get the work done and when.
7. **MR. WITT :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands if the whole of the alluvial flats along the course of the River Murray and the tributaries of that river are reserved from selection ; and, if so, whether he can authorize the return of moneys paid as survey fees to be refunded to those selectors who were not aware that these reservations had been made.
8. **MR. WHITEMAN :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the proposed site for a Contagious Disease Hospital, in Fisherman's Bend ; and to ask whether the Government will reconsider the matter, or stay proceedings until an expression of opinion has been obtained from the inhabitants of the city and suburbs immediately interested.
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11. **MR. McLELLAN :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the desirability of having a hearse and mourning carriage in connection with the Victorian Railways ; and to ask if such carriages will be provided.
12. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the want of adequate provision in Melbourne for the relief of diseased, helpless, and destitute persons ; and to ask whether the Government is prepared to give consideration to the subject, and to communicate its views and proposals to the House before the removal of the Immigrants' Home at Prince's Bridge.
13. **MR. YOUNG :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the proposed removal of Union Sawmill State School Building, No. 1010, Trentham, to a new site ; and to ask him to reconsider the decision on the matter.
14. **MR. LEVIEN :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the facts in connection with the recent prosecution of one Roderick Kennedy, at Donnybrook ; and to ask, if he will stay further proceedings.

Private Bill Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. PURVES :** To move, That a Bill intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain banking company called the Bank of Victoria' and for other purposes therein mentioned*" be now read a first time.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. CAMPBELL: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the total cost of the Land Department in Melbourne for each year from 1865 inclusive to June 1873.

Government Business.

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1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
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THURSDAY, 18TH JUNE.

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2. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the allocation of the Charitable Vote, and to the fact that the Benevolent Society of Emerald Hill has been refused any share thereof ; and to ask whether the usual grant will not be made to that society which it has heretofore received.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 23RD JUNE.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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4. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move, *in Committee on the Constitution Amendment Bill*—

Clause 10. First line, after the word "Act," to insert the following words :—

"The words 'Governor alone' and (except in section four) the word 'Governor' respectively mean the 'Representative of the Crown for the time being acting by and with the advice of Ministers responsible to the Parliament of Victoria.'"

After Clause 10, to insert the following new clause :—

"The two Houses as constituted by this Act shall not be competent to deliberate upon or to reject or pass any Bill for 'appropriating any part of the Revenue of Victoria, and for imposing any duty, rate, tax, rent, return, or impost' within the true intent and meaning of the 56th section of 'The Constitution Act.'"

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 23rd June.

STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 12TH JUNE.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 6.

Acting-Engineer-in-Chief's Bill.—[3] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 12.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[12]

Land Act 1869—Regulation. No. 39.

Crown Lands Department—Report of the Board of Enquiry. No. 41.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. **MR. JOHNSTONE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the case of a child having been unmercifully flogged by the head teacher, Mr. Robbins, at the Sunbury Industrial School ; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Department to remove Mr. Robbins from his present position.
4. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, if it is the intention of the Government to discharge on gratuity or pension the members of the Police Force who have reached the age of 55 years ; also, whether the Governor in Council has fixed the money equivalent for the allowances to police officers under Section 27 of "*The Police Regulation Act*," and, if so, at what amount.
5. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the necessity of providing school accommodation at Burngowrie ; and to ask when a State school will be established there.
6. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the restrictions imposed by his department upon selectors of land, and the inconvenience to which they are subjected in being periodically called upon to furnish declarations regarding their selections ; and to ask the authority under which these conditions are imposed ; and if he will take steps to give greater facility to persons desirous of settling upon the lands of the colony.
7. **MR. BERRY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, if it is his intention to re-appoint to the care and management of the Industrial School at Sunbury the same matron who presided there when the case of Johanna Bennett occurred.
8. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the request that has been made by the residents of Mount Doran to have school accommodation provided for them ; and to ask if any steps have been taken to supply that demand.
9. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the propriety of the remainder of the Ballarat Scab District being proclaimed clean, and to point out the great inconvenience and loss that free selectors are put to in consequence of the Inspector, Mr. Curr, not having recommended that the district be proclaimed clean in accordance with his promise made on the 29th October 1873 ; and to ask whether the Honorable the Chief Secretary will take steps to enforce the promise made by the Chief Inspector to the effect that the Ballarat District would be proclaimed clean upon the Local Board recommending it to be done.
10. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to a Memorial that was presented some weeks ago regarding the State school at Clifford ; and to ask what steps have been taken to meet the request of the memorialists.
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12. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs to the practice of levying fines privately on importers detected in passing fraudulent invoices of goods ; and to ask that such a system may at once be abandoned, and the law put in motion for the purpose of prosecuting such offenders.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the agreement entered into with the Banks for the floating and disposal of the new loan.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
2. **GOLD—PROSPECTORS.**—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
3. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

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1. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the necessity of providing increased building accommodation for school purposes at Murghebuloc; and to ask if any steps have been taken by him to meet this want.

Government Business.

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NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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Tuesday, 23rd June.

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ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 6.

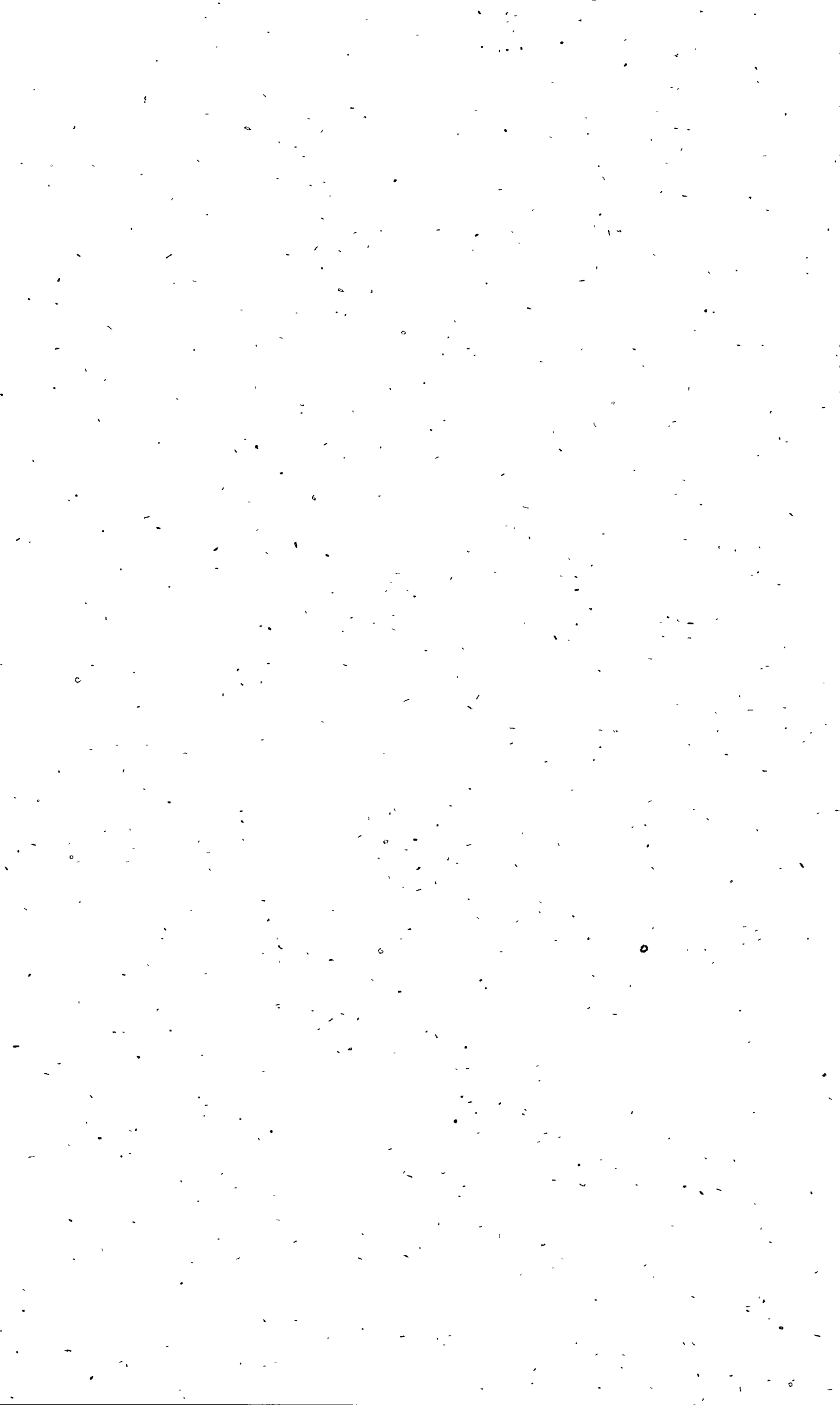
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 13.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[13]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 1.

Estimates of Expenditure for Salaries, Wages, Contingencies, and Miscellaneous Services of the Year ending 30th June 1875—Message. B.—No. 3.

Charters to Joint-Stock Companies—Copy Despatch, &c. No. 38.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the inadequate assistance given by the Government to the School of Mines, Ballarat, and to point out that of 83 enrolled students of the school only 76 are provided with class accommodation, the others having to wait for vacancies ; that the certificates of the School of Mines, Ballarat, are sought for not only by Victorians but by residents of the neighbouring colonies, thus testifying to its public usefulness ; and further, to point out the difficulty of retaining permanently the services of competent lecturers in nine scientific and practical subjects without suitable provision being made for them ; and to ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will increase the amount of assistance to about the sum recommended by the Secretary for Mines in his official report, to enable the council of the school to meet the demands made upon them in carrying on the operations of the school successfully.
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7. **MR. MACBAIN** : To draw the attention of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works to one of the suggestions made in the Report of the Royal Commission on Public Works ; and ask if steps have been taken by the Department to ascertain by measurement the actual work done under the several contracts for the construction of the Williamstown Graving Dock and of the Kew Lunatic Asylum.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a copy of the agreement entered into with the Banks for the floating and disposal of the new loan.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

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ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at twelve o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH JUNE.

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

Criminal Law and Practice Statute Amendment Bill.—[4] As reported 18 June. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 14.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[14]

Mint Charges. A.—No. 6.

Land Act 1869—Regulations. No. 33, No. 34, and No. 35.

Pounds Act Amendment Bill.—[9]



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Government Business.

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3. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 25TH JUNE.

1. **MR. RIDDELL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction what steps are being taken in regard to the building of the State School at Yarraville.
2. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Survey to the dredging operations now going on in the Yarra; and to the fact of the silt excavated being deposited on the north bank of the river, endangering thereby, in time of flood, the factories and industries established on the south bank; and to ask whether such arrangements cannot be made as will enable the department to have the silt placed on the low-lying lands on the south side of the river.

TUESDAY, 30TH JUNE.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GILLIES** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Local Government.

General Business.

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 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 24th June.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at twelve o'clock.

Tuesday, 30th June.

STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 7.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 8.

Criminal Law and Practice Statute Amendment Bill.—[4]. As re-reported 23rd June.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 15.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[15]

Yan Yean Water Supply—Cash and Balance Sheet, 1st July 1872 to 30th June 1873. A.—No. 3.

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st December 1873. A.—No. 4.

Immigration—Return. C.—No. 2.

Intercolonial Tariffs—Copy Letter, &c. No. 40.

Abstract of Estimates for Salaries, Wages, Contingencies, and Miscellaneous Services, 1874-5. No. 46.

Consolidated Revenue Bill.—[12]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education when the department propose to proceed with the erection of the State School at South Williamstown.
4. MR. CURTAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the advisability of establishing a Home register of the Inscribed Stock under the *Public Works Loan Act 1872* ; and to ask if he has any objection to bring in a short Bill to amend that Act so as to provide for interest being paid in London, thereby making the stock negotiable in the English market, and enabling holders to send the same Home for sale or as remittances.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the statement made by a member of the Ministry in another place about the intentions of the Government regarding the existing Tariff ; and to ask if the Government propose dealing with the subject, at an early date, during the present Session of Parliament.
6. MR. DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the want of a Money Order Office at Godfrey's Creek ; and to ask him if he will soon be in a position to supply that want ; also, if he has any objection to change the name of "Godfrey's Creek" to "Gobur."
7. MR. CREWS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education when tenders will be called for the erection of the State School at Hawthorn.
8. MR. WOODS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the want of school accommodation in the borough of St. Arnaud ; and to ask if he will take steps to have proper provision made with as little delay as possible.
9. MR. GODFREY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to certain cases in which the police and other persons have been assaulted by larrikins ; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce some legislation dealing with this subject.
10. MR. STEWART : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether he would have any objection to obtain from Colonel Ward a report as to the present condition and future prospects of the Mint, with any suggestions he may have to offer as to its more useful and economical management.
11. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will order the reports of 1870 and 1874, of the Colonel-Commandant of the Military Forces, to be printed for the information of honorable members.
12. MR. LONGMORE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the correspondence that has passed between the Board of Advice No. 68, and the Department of Education with reference to a school for the district of Watgania ; and to ask him what he intends to do in the case.
13. MR. WITT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands if the whole of the alluvial flats along the course of the River Murray and the tributaries of that river are reserved from selection ; and, if so, whether he can authorize the return of moneys paid as survey fees to be refunded to those selectors who were not aware that these reservations had been made.
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15. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the allocation of the Charitable Vote, and to the fact that the Benevolent Society of Emerald Hill has been refused any share thereof ; and to ask whether the usual grant will not be made to that society which it has heretofore received.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—(Unopposed.)

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return, showing—
 - (1.) The amounts already paid for the construction of the light lines of railway.
 - (2.) The amount paid for construction of engines, rolling stock, &c., to date.
 - (3.) The amount paid for imported plant, specifying nature of same.
 - (4.) Amount still due on contracts already entered into.
 - (5.) Quantity and nature of permanent way now in the colony ready and suitable for use.
 - (6.) Number and cost of points and crossings now in stock, and statement as to how many of the same are fit for present use.
2. MR. YOUNG : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the number of schools with an average attendance of—50, 50 to 150, 150 to 500, 500 to 1000.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WITT : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *vid Gaffney's Creek* ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
2. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
3. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend '*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*'
4. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
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 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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3. MR. MACDERMOTT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the claim of Mr. J. H. Budden, Justice of the Peace, to the sum of £95 17s. 6d., placed on the Estimates of 1872-3, but withdrawn pending the reference of certain charges made by the Honorable member for Grenville, Mr. Clarke, against Mr. Budden ; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will recommend the amount of Mr. Budden's claim to be placed on an additional Estimates.
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WEDNESDAY, 1ST JULY.

Private Bill Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act, intituled, 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now read a second time.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 30th June.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH JUNE.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 16.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[16]

Amending Land Act 1865—Regulations. No. 36.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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6. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the desirability of having sheep yards erected on the North-Eastern line of Railway, at Benalla ; and to ask if he will cause such sheep yards to be erected.
7. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways the number of applications recorded for employment in the Railway department ; and whether there is a probability of any fresh applications being entertained.
8. **MR. GARRETT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to certain complaints made by tanners and other persons dealing in hides, respecting the injury done to the Victorian hide markets, by the want of care in the skinning of oxen ; and to ask whether the English law relating to such matters cannot be enacted or enforced.
9. **MR. G. V. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands if the Survey fees paid by parties desiring the sale of land by auction will be returned to them when sales of such lands have been subsequently refused on account of mining objections.
10. **MR. CURTAIN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if there has been any departure from the practice of promoting the senior letter-carriers to the position of sorters ; and if it be a fact that supernumeraries are taken on and appointed as sorters, to the injury of the letter-carriers, many of whom are very old servants of the department.
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6. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the reports of 1870 and 1874 of the Colonel-Commandant of the Military Forces.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GILLIES : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Local Government.

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions :—
 - (1.) That it is expedient that provision be made for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly their expenses in relation to their attendance in Parliament.
 - (2.) That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the necessary steps may be taken to effect this object.
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15. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the proclamation of the 20th May 1874, under the Fisheries Act 1873, "declaring and defining the mouth of the River Yarra, within which nets and fixed engines may not be used," should be annulled, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to annul the same accordingly.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
4. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
5. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST JULY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act, intituled, 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now read a second time.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. R. MURRAY-SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the O'Ferrall frauds and all matters connected with the report of the Audit Commissioners for the half-year ending 30th June 1873; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Langton, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. MacBain, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Must, Mr. Munro, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
2. MR. WITT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 30th June.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

STANDING ORDERS—at half-past three o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 8.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 17.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[17]

Deceased Public Servants—Report, &c. A.—No. 7.

Regulations under the Inebriates Act 1872. No. 43.

Public Parks and Gardens—Additional Regulation, &c. No. 45.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 7TH JULY 1874.

1. MR. JAMES: To call the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands to the unsatisfactory state of things in relation to the residence area holders on goldfields; and to ask whether any steps will shortly be taken to place them on a more satisfactory basis.
2. MR. LALOR: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Education to the want of State Schools at Batesford and Lovely Banks; and to ask when school buildings will be erected at these places.
3. MR. LEVIEN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the necessity which exists for providing school accommodation at Gheringhap; and to ask him when he will supply it.
4. MR. CONNOR: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of school accommodation at Barongurook, and the necessity that exists for a teachers' residence at the township of Pirron Yaloak; and to ask him when the required accommodation will be provided.
5. MR. LALOR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands when he will be enabled to have the proposed site for a State School at Bamganie gazetted.
6. MR. PURVES: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the absolute necessity which obtains for the immediate construction of the railway to Gippsland; and to ask whether certain portions of the line, as for instance from Oakleigh to Berwick, and so onwards, cannot at once be proceeded with.
7. MR. TUCKER: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the facilities offered to the working classes in the mother country for effecting life assurances, or purchasing immediate or deferred annuities through the medium of the Post Office; and to ask if he will consider upon the advisability or otherwise of adopting a similar system in this country in connection with the Post Office.
8. MR. J. T. SMITH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the case of Dr. Alfred Yates Carr, and his claim for services rendered; and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he has any objection to lay all the papers on the Table of the House regarding such claim.
9. MR. PURVES: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when the erection of the new Law Courts will be commenced.
10. MR. G. PATON SMITH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the unsatisfactory operation of the "*Married Women's Property Act*;" and to ask, if the Government propose to introduce any measure for its amendment.
11. MR. GARRATT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to certain complaints made by tanners and other persons dealing in hides, respecting the injury done to the Victorian hide markets, by the want of care in the skinning and branding of oxen; and to ask whether the English law relating to such matters cannot be enacted or enforced.
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1. MR. STEWART: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a Report from Colonel Ward as to the present condition and future prospects of the Mint, with any suggestions he may have to offer as to its more useful and economical management.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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5. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL COMPANIES ACT CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 7th July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 8th July.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26TH JUNE.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9.
Vaccination Bill.—[10]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 18.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[18]

Reginald Green—Petition. E.—No. 1.

Botanical and Domain Gardens—Annual Report of the Curator of the Botanical and Domain Gardens. No. 30.

Industrial Schools and Sanatory Station—Second and Final Report of the Royal Commission on Industrial and Reformatory Schools and the Sanatory Station. No. 44.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY 1874.

1. **MR. COPPIN:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will make some arrangement to relieve business people of the serious inconvenience and positive loss occasioned by the Sandhurst mail closing at 4.30 p.m., in order that it may leave Melbourne one hour and three-quarters afterwards by the 6.15 train.
2. **MR. HUNT:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the fact of there being no provision made in the "*Education Act 1872*" for those teachers who were partially classified under the late Board of Education; and to ask him if there be any objection to grant "certificates" or "licenses" to teach upon the recommendation of District Inspectors to those who were exempt from further literary examination, and have been head teachers in present State schools to the satisfaction of Inspectors for the past five years.
3. **MR. PATTERSON:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the alteration of the Railway time table, and the effect it will have in preventing the country press from obtaining a report of Parliamentary proceedings; and to ask if he will allow press telegrams to be transmitted up to 11 p.m., at the rate now ruling between 6 and 8 p.m.
4. **MR. W. CLARKE:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is intended, and when, to survey the direct line of railway from Ballarat or Buninyong East by way of Gordon's, Ballan, Bacchus Marsh, Melton, and Diggers' Rest, to Melbourne.
5. **MR. A. T. CLARK:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the want of additional accommodation at the Government Piers for shipping; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to provide it.
6. **MR. YOUNG:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, if holders of supposed auriferous land under 42nd section of *Land Act* who are paying a nominal rent of 1s. per acre, will be permitted to sublet their holdings pending the issue of the Crown grant.
7. **MR. WRIXON:** To call the attention of the Minister of Public Instruction to certain alleged irregularities in the supply of school requisites to children attending the State schools; and to ask if such requisites, books, slates, copy books, &c., &c., are provided for use in school for all children attending the schools, indifferently, or only for children whose parents are unable to pay for them, and upon a special report by an inspector.
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1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Government grants in proportion to the local rates; cities, towns, boroughs, shires, and road districts being shown separately; also stating population of each.

Government Business.

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1. **SUPPLY**—Resolutions to be reported.
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 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS—Resolutions to be considered in Committee.
2. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
5. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
6. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY.

1. MR. STEWART: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the claim of Wardle and party, in connexion with the Coliban water scheme, and to the Report of the Select Committee thereon; and to ask if he will take steps to give effect to the recommendation contained in that report.
2. MR. COPPIN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a digest of the final Report of the Royal Commission appointed in 1870 to inquire into and report upon the Acts relating to Friendly Societies in Great Britain; and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Act in Victoria during the present session.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. HANNA: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The total cost of the Volunteer Force from the 1st July 1871 to 30th June 1874, each year separately, to include the cost of arms, ammunition, clothing, and encampments.
 - (2.) Total cost for same period of the Local Force, the strength of same; also the number of men transferred to the Police Force during the last three years.
 - (3.) Total cost of *Cerberus*, including stores, ammunition, and cost of same used during practice for three years.
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 - (5.) Total cost of *Pharos*, s.s., repairs, stores, and ammunition.
 - (6.) The number of acres of land granted the Volunteer Force from 1862 to 1st July 1874, and the money value of the same, in each year in separate columns.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the O'Ferrall frauds and all matters connected with the report of the Audit Commissioners for the half-year ending 30th June 1873; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Langton, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. MacBain, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Must, Mr. Munro, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY.

1. MR. CREWS: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the want of better Lock-up accommodation and police protection at Kew, in consequence of the Metropolitan Lunatic Asylum being in the vicinity; and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to increase the lock-up accommodation and police protection in that district.
2. MR. DIXON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the necessity of extending the Pier accommodation at St. Kilda, and constructing a breakwater for the purpose of affording better protection to small craft lying at the Pier, and those seeking shelter in severe weather; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to construct the said works, and if so, when.
3. MR. DAVIES: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the entire absence of school accommodation on Kangderraar Creek (near Arnold's Bridge), and to the fact that a sum of money locally raised for the purpose was forwarded to the Department a considerable time ago; and to ask if it is his intention to proceed with the erection of a school-house without delay.
4. MR. PURVES: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when the erection of the new Law Courts will be commenced.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.

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- (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 9th July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

Tuesday, 14th July.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1st JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9.
Vaccination Bill.—[10] As reported 30th June. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 19.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[19]
Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of sworn Returns for the Quarter ended 31st March 1874.
A.—No. 5.
Hobson's Bay United Railway—Return, &c. C.—No. 3.
Railway Loan—Return, &c. C.—No. 5.
Standing Orders—Report from Select Committee upon. D.—No. 1. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Criminal Law and Practice Statute Amendment Bill.—[4] (To Members of Assembly only.)
Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill.—[5]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. **MR. PURVES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary when the erection of the new Law Courts will be commenced.
5. **MR. COPPIN** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will make some arrangement to relieve business people of the serious inconvenience and positive loss occasioned by the Sandhurst mail closing at 4:30 p.m., in order that it may leave Melbourne one hour and three-quarters afterwards by the 6:15 train.
6. **MR. HUNT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the fact of there being no provision made in the " *Education Act 1872* " for those teachers who were partially classified under the late Board of Education ; and to ask him if there be any objection to grant " certificates " or " licenses " to teach upon the recommendation of District Inspectors to those who were exempt from further literary examination, and have been head teachers in present State schools to the satisfaction of Inspectors for the past five years.
7. **MR. PATTERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the alteration of the Railway time table, and the effect it will have in preventing the country press from obtaining a report of Parliamentary proceedings ; and to ask if he will allow press telegrams to be transmitted up to 11 p.m., at the rate now ruling between 6 and 8 p.m.
8. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is intended, and when, to survey the direct line of railway from Ballarat or Buninyong East by way of Gordon's, Ballan, Bacchus Marsh, Melton, and Diggers' Rest, to Melbourne.
9. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the want of additional accommodation at the Government Piers for shipping ; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to provide it.
10. **MR. YOUNG** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, if holders of supposed auriferous land under 42nd section of *Land Act* who are paying a nominal rent of 1s. per acre, will be permitted to sublet their holdings pending the issue of the Crown grant.
11. **MR. WRIXON** : To call the attention of the Minister of Public Instruction to certain alleged irregularities in the supply of school requisites to children attending the State schools ; and to ask if such requisites, books, slates, copy books, &c., &c., are provided for use in school for all children attending the schools, indifferently, or only for children whose parents are unable to pay for them, and upon a special report by an inspector.
12. **MR. G. V. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands if the Survey fees paid by parties desiring the sale of land by auction will be returned to them when sales of such lands have been subsequently refused on account of mining objections.
13. **MR. STEWART** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the claim of Wardle and party, in connexion with the Coliban water scheme, and to the Report of the Select Committee thereon ; and to ask if he will take steps to give effect to the recommendation contained in that report.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Government grants in proportion to the local rates ; cities, towns, boroughs, shires, and road districts being shown separately ; also stating population of each.

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-Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act, intituled, 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now read a second time.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 14th July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH JULY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 10.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 20.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[20]

Standing Orders—Report from Select Committee upon. D.—No. 1. (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1874.

1. **MR. JAMES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to a circular, No. 74/14, issued in June last, and to ask him—
 - (1.) Whether that circular is intended for State School Teachers.
 - (2.) Whether such Teachers are under the Civil Service Regulations, and
 - (3.) If not, is it the intention of the Ministry to place them in that position, and when.
2. **MR. INGLIS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the dangerous condition of the level crossing at Swan street, Richmond, on the M. and H. B. Railway ; and to ask him if the Government will order an inspection of the line at this part with a view to diminish the existing danger.
3. **MR. HUNT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands to a notification in the last number of the *Government Gazette*, by which it appears certain Crown Lands at Wallan-wallan are advertised for sale at Melbourne ; and to ask whether he would transfer the sale of said lots to Kilmore.
4. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture to the fact that the Agricultural Societies did not last year receive as much subsidy as they expected, viz., One pound for every two pounds paid away in prizes ; and to ask if he will place a small sum upon an Additional Estimate to meet the case.
5. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the defective manner in which the Legislative Assembly Chamber is lighted and ventilated ; and to ask if he will take steps to remedy the same.
6. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the necessity for greater school accommodation at the following places :—Woodside, Tarraville, Alburton, Foster, Yarram, and Devon ; and to ask what steps he is taking with a view to supply the school wants of those districts.
7. **MR. LONGMORE** : To ask whether the Government will place on the Estimates a sum of money as compensation to Paul McAululty, late County Court-keeper, at Melbourne, for the improvements made by him on the grounds adjoining and belonging to the said Court.
8. **MR. MASON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has any objection to cause to be supplied to all State schools copies of the new map of Victoria.
9. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs—
 - (1.) The name of the officer who is responsible for the cutting of the present entrance to the Graving Dock, which prevents any extension of the Railway Pier for an indefinite period.
 - (2.) Whether it is a fact that the above channel was cut in opposition to the Report, and against the strongly expressed opinion of, the Chief Harbor Master.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now read a second time.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of all lessees and licensees on the south bank of the Yarra, together with the amount of rents and fees paid by them from the date of the commencement of such leases and licenses.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS**—Resolutions to be considered in Committee.
2. **POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
3. **FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
4. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
5. **GOLD—PROSPECTORS.**—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
6. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY.

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs what arrangements, if any, exist between the Government and the P. and O. Company relative to the use of the Graving Dock at Williamstown.
2. **DR. MADDEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the case of Mr. Robinson Allison, a licensee under section 47 of the Land Act 1869, and to ask—
 - (1.) Under what circumstances was a Crown grant of 3 acres of Crown land in the parish of North Melbourne, and which was licensed as aforesaid to the said Robinson Allison, and with his improvements upon it, issued to one A. G. Corbett.
 - (2.) Whether the same was issued subject to a valuation for improvements, and, if so, whether the amount thereof has been paid; and, if so paid, to whom.
3. **MR. SERVICE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the great inconvenience caused to bankers, merchants, and the general public, by the recent change in the time of closing the afternoon mail for Castlemaine, Sandhurst, &c.; and to ask him if he will consider the propriety of returning to the old time-table.
4. **MR. STEWART** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the claim of Wardle and party, in connexion with the Coliban water scheme, and to the Report of the Select Committee thereon; and to ask if he will take steps to give effect to the recommendation contained in that report.
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TUESDAY, 21ST JULY.

1. **MR. MUNRO** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the number of lotteries held under his sanction, and also to the numerous gambling shops kept open by Chinese and others; and to ask if he will decline to sanction such lotteries in future, and instruct the police to enforce the law relating to gambling.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CREWS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all Papers relating to the case of the vessel *Daphne*.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.

2. MR. WOODS : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
3. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on an early day*, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of
4. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
5. MR. LONGMORE : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, it is not advisable to increase the weight of rails to be used in the construction of the light lines of railway at present being built or those about to be undertaken by the Government.
6. MR. MACBAIN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the recommendation contained in the Report of the Royal Commission on Public Works having especial reference to the practice of entering into contracts for portions of large buildings separately be acted upon.
7. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the O'Ferrall frauds and all matters connected with the report of the Audit Commissioners for the half-year ending 30th June 1873 ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Langton, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. MacBain, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Must, Mr. Munro, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 16th July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 9TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9† and No. 10.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 21.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[21]

Constitution Amendment Bill.—[2] As reported 14th July.

Criminal Law and Practice Statute Amendment Bill.—[4] As reported 14th July.

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7. **MR. GARRATT**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to certain statements in the local press relating to the application of M. Docherty for a site on the River Barwon for the erection of a Flannel Printing Factory thereon; and to ask if these statements are correct.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. LANGTON**: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "*Life Assurance Companies Act 1873.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 331**—Estimate to be considered in Committee.
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3. **VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 415**—Estimate to be considered in Committee.
4. **VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 468, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 1**—Estimate to be considered in Committee.
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7. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
8. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. W. CLARKE**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

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3. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) To state to this House the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner of Police in reference to the Petition presented by the constables who only receive 6s. 6d. a day.
 - (2.) To state the value of each portion of the allowance enjoyed by a policeman, supposed to cost the Government £40 a year in addition to the pay of 6s. 6d. a day.
 - (3.) If there is any objection to give the police £40 a year cash each, more particularly the married men who live out of barracks, instead of the estimated allowance of £40 a year as enjoyed at present.
4. MR. S. FRASER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what progress has been made with the survey of the proposed railway line from Lancefield Road station to Heathcote ; and if this line will be included in next Railway Bill.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the 24th regulation under the "*Inebriates Act 1872*," laid on the Table of the Assembly on the 25th June, which requires all letters written by patients to be handed to the superintendent, who is to examine and forward them ; and to ask him if he will take steps for disallowing or repealing so much of such regulation as gives authority to the superintendent to examine letters.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs to the correspondence with the Public Works Department, with reference to the cutting of the present channel to the Graving Dock ; to the fact that the Chief Harbor Master strongly recommended a different one, which allowed an extension of the Railway Pier, and other important advantages ; and to ask—
 - (1.) Whether it is a fact that the Chief Harbor Master's report was not adopted in consequence of Mr. Birnie reporting "that it would take two dredges eleven months longer, and cost £10,800 more" than the proposal of the Public Works Department.
 - (2.) Whether the statements made by Mr. Birnie (as to cost and time) are correct.
 - (3.) Whether the Department is now competent to adopt the scheme as proposed by the Chief Harbor Master in the first instance.
 - (4.) Whether it is a fact that a large portion of the enormous expenditure already incurred will be wasted in consequence of this alteration.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACKAY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Mining on Private Property for Gold and Silver.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CREWS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all Papers relating to the case of the vessel *Daphne*.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. COPPIN : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.

2. **MR. WOODS**: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
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 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, *on an early day*, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of
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5. **MR. LONGMORE**: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, it is not advisable to increase the weight of rails to be used in the construction of the light lines of railway at present being built or those about to be undertaken by the Government.
6. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH**: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the O'Ferrall frauds and all matters connected with the report of the Audit Commissioners for the half-year ending 30th June 1873; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Langton, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. MacBain, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Must, Mr. Munro, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 16th July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

Wednesday, 22nd July.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH JULY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 11.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[22].

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.

Victorian Railways—Estimate of Expenditure for 1874-5, under 37 Vict. No. 468. A.—No. 8.

Victorian Railways—Estimate of Expenditure for 1874-5, under 37 Vict. No. 475. A.—No. 9.

Victorian Railways—Estimate of Expenditure for 1874-5, under 35 Vict. No. 415. A.—No. 10.

Victorian Railways—North-Eastern Line—Estimate of Expenditure for 1874-5. A.—No. 11.

Railway Loan Appropriation 1874-5—Schedule of Salaries, &c. A.—No. 12.

Order in Council—Polling-place for Maryborough Mining District. No 51.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 21ST JULY 1874.

1. MR. MUNRO : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the number of lotteries held under his sanction, and also to the numerous gambling shops kept open by Chinese and others; and to ask if he will decline to sanction such lotteries in future, and instruct the police to enforce the law relating to gambling.
2. MR. A. T. CLARK : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he has enquired into the necessity of re-measuring the work of the Royal Mint, and of the Ararat and Beechworth Lunatic Asylums, in order to test the quantities supplied to contractors with those actually executed; and, if so, whether he will inform the House of the result of his enquiries.
3. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) To state to this House the recommendation of the Chief Commissioner of Police in reference to the Petition presented by the constables who only receive 6s. 6d. a day.
 - (2.) To state the value of each portion of the allowance enjoyed by a policeman, supposed to cost the Government £40 a year in addition to the pay of 6s. 6d. a day.
 - (3.) If there is any objection to give the police £40 a year cash each, more particularly the married men who live out of barracks, instead of the estimated allowance of £40 a year as enjoyed at present.
4. MR. S. FRASER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways what progress has been made with the survey of the proposed railway line from Lancefield Road station to Heathcote; and if this line will be included in next Railway Bill.
5. MR. MACBAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the 24th regulation under the "Inebriates Act 1872," laid on the Table of the Assembly on the 25th June, which requires all letters written by patients to be handed to the superintendent, who is to examine and forward them; and to ask him if he will take steps for disallowing or repealing so much of such regulation as gives authority to the superintendent to examine letters.
6. MR. A. T. CLARK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs to the correspondence with the Public Works Department, with reference to the cutting of the present channel to the Graving Dock; to the fact that the Chief Harbor Master strongly recommended a different one, which allowed an extension of the Railway Pier, and other important advantages; and to ask—
 - (1.) Whether it is a fact that the Chief Harbor Master's report was not adopted in consequence of Mr. Birnie reporting "that it would take two dredges eleven months longer, and cost £10,800 more" than the proposal of the Public Works Department.
 - (2.) Whether the statements made by Mr. Birnie (as to cost and time) are correct.
 - (3.) Whether the Department is now compelled to adopt the scheme as proposed by the Chief Harbor Master in the first instance.
 - (4.) Whether it is a fact that a large portion of the enormous expenditure already incurred will be wasted in consequence of this alteration.
7. MR. PATTERSON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands if it is his intention to appoint additional land bailiffs; if so, when will the appointments be made, and if such officers will come under the Civil Service Regulations.
8. MR. MACBAIN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he has accepted any of the tenders submitted for the erection of State schools at Drung Drung and Natimuk Creek.
9. MR. DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the position of lessees under the 47th section of the "Land Act 1862," commonly known as the Novel Industries section; and to ask if he can, and will, put them in the same position as licensees under the 42nd section.
10. MR. WOODS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to a statement reported in the *Argus* of 16th July instant in reference to the contract for the Alfred Graving Dock; and to ask if there is any departmental authority for such statement, or if any payments have been made in excess of work done on that contract.
11. DR. MADDEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the case of Mr. Robinson Allison, a licensee under section 47 of the Land Act 1869, and to ask—
 - (1.) Under what circumstances was a Crown grant of 3 acres of Crown land in the parish of North Melbourne, and which was licensed as aforesaid to the said Robinson Allison, and with his improvements upon it, issued to one A. G. Corbett.
 - (2.) Whether the same was issued subject to a valuation for improvements, and, if so, whether the amount thereof has been paid; and, if so, paid, to whom.
12. MR. A. T. CLARK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the case of the late Edward Sheppard, an employé of his department, who lost his life in the execution of his duty; and to ask whether he intends to make any provision for his wife and children.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

2. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late Superintendent of Police.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACKAY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Mining on Private Property for Gold and Silver.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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| 1. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 331, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 1 | } Resolutions to be reported. |
| 2. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 331, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 1 | |
| 3. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 415 | |
| 4. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 475 AND ACT 468, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 1 | |
| 5. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS ACT 468, SCHEDULE 2, ITEM 2 | |
| 6. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee. | |
| 7. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report. | |
| 8. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report. | |
| 9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading. | |
| 10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee. | |

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CREWS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all Papers relating to the case of the vessel *Daphne*.
2. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Young, Dr. Madden, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Thomas, and the Mover.
3. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure, for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
5. DR. MADDEN : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to cause the sum of £500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for enabling Professor Halford to more effectively pursue his scientific enquiries into the results of direct injection of chemical agents into the blood.
6. MR. MACDERMOTT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sum of £95 17s. 6d. be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to recoup Mr. J. H. Budden the expenses incurred by him in defending an action brought against him for an act done in the discharge of his duties as a magistrate, and which sum had been placed on the Estimates of 1872-3.
7. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
8. MR. WITT : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the tracks from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
9. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
10. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend 'The Police Offences Statute 1865.'
11. MR. WRIXON : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty, judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.

12. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the Minutes of Evidence taken by the Board appointed by the Minister of Public Instruction to enquire into the complaint of the parents and others against Mr. Nell, teacher of the Carlton school No. 112.
13. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also, the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
14. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the total expenditure in advertising the disposal of the 4 per cent loan.
15. **MR. MACDERMOTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing the number of causes and appeals heard in the several Courts of Mines during the years 1872 and 1873, and the present year, up to the date of return, the aggregate amount sued for, so far as the demands were pecuniary, and the amount of court fees received in each court.
16. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
17. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers connected with a selection of land by John Holmes, being lots 6, 8, and 9, of section 30, parish of Yarrabert, together with the papers connected with the dispute between Holmes and Trumble for same land, and the schedules of the local land board connected with the same.
18. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS—Resolutions to be reported.
2. POUNDS ACT. AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GOLD—PROSPECTORS.—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
5. MINING CLARK AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

1. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the delay which has taken place in the extension of telegraphic communication from Stawell to Horsham; and to ask if he cannot arrange the routes of said extension, and have the construction commenced without any further delay.
2. **MR. STEWART** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the claim of Wardle and party, in connexion with the Coliban water scheme, and to the Report of the Select Committee thereon; and to ask if he will take steps to give effect to the recommendation contained in that report.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

General Business.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 21st July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at eleven o'clock.

Wednesday, 22nd July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH JULY.

Trust Estates Bill.—[14]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 23.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[23]

Constitution Amendment Bill.—[2] As re-reported 16th July.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1874.

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3. **MR. GRANT:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction when the erection of the school at Dunolly will be proceeded with, the site having been approved of by the department in March last; and when it may be expected the department will commence the erection of the building.
4. **MR. JONES:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands when the sanction of the Governor in Council will be given to the Rules and Regulations of the Ballarat Forest Board.
5. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the fact of tenders being invited for filling up land at the corner of Moray street and the Sandridge road; also to the ineligibility of that site for the establishment of a State school; and to ask whether he will not reconsider the matter with a view to obtain a more eligible site than the one selected.
6. **MR. LONGMORE:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a statement of Mr. Akehurst, read by him to this House on 23rd June, and to the facts out of which it arose; and to ask him what course he will adopt under the circumstances.
7. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the desirability of assimilating our mercantile law to that of Queensland and other colonies, with regard to bonded and other storage certificates; and to ask if he will take steps to accomplish that object.
8. **MR. CONNOR:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if provision has been made on the Estimates for a National Exhibition this year under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture; and, if so, has the place for the Exhibition been appointed.
9. **MR. A. T. CLARK:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he has enquired into the necessity of re-measuring the work of the Royal Mint, and of the Ararat and Beechworth Lunatic Asylums, in order to test the quantities supplied to contractors with those actually executed; and, if so, whether he will inform the House of the result of his enquiries.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. PURVES:** To move, That a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled an Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. MacBain, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. R. Richardson, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late Superintendent of Police.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY LOAN APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
2. **MR. THOMAS:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the amount of Wharfage Rate received at the Town Pier, Sandridge, during the three years ending 30th June, 1874.

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12. MR. WRIXON : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
13. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the Minutes of Evidence taken by the Board appointed by the Minister of Public Instruction to enquire into the complaint of the parents and others against Mr. Nell, teacher of the Carlton school No. 112.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolutions to be further considered in Committee.
2. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS**—Resolutions to be reported.
3. **POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
4. **FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
5. **GOLD PROSPECTORS**—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
6. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the O'Ferrall frauds and all matters connected with the report of the Audit Commissioners for the half-year ending 30th June 1873; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Langton, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. MacBain, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Must, Mr. Munro, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

TUESDAY, 28TH JULY.

1. **MR. COPPIN:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if any provision has been made for military drill instruction in the State schools; if not, is it his intention to introduce it as an important item of public education without any further loss of time.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. MUNRO:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers connected with an inquiry or inquiries recently held into the conduct of Police Constable Keegan, and with the removal of that constable from Emerald Hill to Melbourne.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS:** To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
- (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 22nd July.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at 11 o'clock.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 11.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 24.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[24]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 3.

Victorian Railways—Estimate of Expenditure for 1874-5: Lines of Railway under Act 37 Vict.

No. 468 and under Act 37 Vict. No. 475. A.—No. 9†.

Lands Department—Return, &c. C.—No. 4.

Order in Council—Mining District Polling-place. No. 48.

Order in Council—Polling-place for Maryborough Mining District. No. 49.

Order in Council—Polling-place for Castlemaine Mining District. No. 50.

Order in Council—Polling-places for Sandhurst Mining District. No. 52.

Railway Loan Application Bill.—[15] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Mining on Private Property Bill.—[16] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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TUESDAY, 28TH JULY 1874.

1. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if any provision has been made for military drill instruction in the State schools ; if not, is it his intention to introduce it as an important item of public education without any further loss of time.
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9. MR. CONNOR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if provision has been made on the Estimates for a National Exhibition this year under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture ; and, if so, has the place for the Exhibition been appointed.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers relating to the case of Mr. Reginald Green, late Superintendent of Police.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY LOAN APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
5. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

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3. **MR. COPPIN :** To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
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4. **MR. THOMAS :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of the amount of Wharfage Rate received at the Town Pier, Sandridge, during the three years ending 30th June, 1874.
5. **MR. WHITEMAN :** To move, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee of inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Young, Dr. Madden, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Thomas, and the Mover.
6. **MR. W. CLARKE :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
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TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON:** To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD JULY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 12.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 25.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[25]
 Railway Loan Application Bill.—[15] (Issue completed.)
 Mining on Private Property Bill.—[16] (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. GOLF PROSPECTING—MOTION for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
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 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 12.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 13.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 26.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[26]
Order in Council—Members of the Ararat Mining Board. No. 57.
Order in Council—Licenses for Races, Drains, &c. No. 58.
Order in Council—Polling-place for a Mining District. No. 59.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST 1874.

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Government Business.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[27]

Public Works Loan Acts of 1865, 1868, and 1872—Estimate of Expenditure for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies under—during the year ending 30th June 1875. A.—No. 13.

Order in Council—Mining Districts of Sandhurst and Beechworth altered. No. 53.

Order in Council—Divisions of the Sandhurst and Beechworth Mining Districts. No. 54.

Order in Council—Determining the Number of Members for the Divisions of the Sandhurst and Beechworth Mining Districts. No. 55.

Order in Council—Polling-places for the Divisions of the Sandhurst and Beechworth Mining Districts. No. 56.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST 1874.

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Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. PURVES:** To move, That a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled an Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. MacBain, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. R. Richardson, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON:** To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL:** To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.

3. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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2. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs—
 - (1.) If it be the case that Messrs. Cochran and Brien have been attempting to pass fraudulent invoices (*i.e.*), the same being much under actual cost price at home.
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 - (3.) When will the Commissioner order the duty to be returned as he promised.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST 1874.

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General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY (*To take precedence*) :—

1. WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN MINISTRY.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

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13. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
14. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the Minutes of Evidence taken by the Board appointed by the Minister of Public Instruction to enquire into the complaint of the parents and others against Mr. Nell, teacher of the Carlton school No. 112.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARKET LAWS**—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
3. **FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
4. **GOLD PROSPECTORS**—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
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Lessees and Licensees on South Bank of the Yarra—Return. C.—No. 6.

Consolidated Revenue Bill.—[18]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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15. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the Minutes of Evidence taken by the Board appointed by the Minister of Public Instruction to enquire into the complaint of the parents and others against Mr. Nell, teacher of the Carlton school No. 112.
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21. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the subject of the O'Ferrall frauds and all matters connected with the report of the Audit Commissioners for the half-year ending 30th June 1873; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Langton, Sir James McCulloch, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. O'Grady, Mr. MacBain, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. Must, Mr. Munro, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
22. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
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 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS—Resolutions to be reported.
2. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
5. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled an Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. MacBain, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. R. Richardson, and the Mover, three to form a quorum ; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. MR. CONNOR : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath ; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 18th August.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH AUGUST.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 31.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[31]
 Royal Mint—Message. B.—No. 4.
 Papers *re* O'Ferrall. No. 42. (To Members of both Houses.)
 Statistics 1873—Part VI. Law, Crime, &c. No. 60.
 Tenth Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines. No. 61.
 Statistics 1873—Part VII. Religious, Moral, and Intellectual Progress. No. 62.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1874.

1. MR. CONNOR: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the Report of the Secretary of Agriculture lately laid on the Table of this House; and to ask him if he intends to carry out the recommendations made therein; and also, whether in his opinion it is desirable to make the alterations (suggested in that Report) in reference to the distribution of the vote in aid of Agricultural Societies for the ensuing financial year.
2. MR. YOUNG: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the urgent need of increased accommodation at the Kyneton goods shed; and to ask him if he will have the building enlarged so as to meet the requirements of the traffic.
3. MR. CONNOR: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the urgent want of a State school at Carpendeil; and to ask him whether the required accommodation will be provided.
4. MR. LANGRIDGE: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the fact that at the late election for Collingwood, one of the large State schools was used for a polling place for St. Mark's division, causing nearly 700 children to lose a day's schooling, and the time wasted of a large staff of teachers; while plenty of other places could have been obtained suitable for the purpose; and to ask him if this will be prevented in future.
5. MR. SULLIVAN: To ask whether it is the intention of the Government to co-operate with the other Australian Colonies to have Australia represented at the Philadelphia Exhibition in 1876.
6. MR. WRIXON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the continued failure to enforce the compulsory clauses of the "Education Act 1872," and the results likely to follow from such failure; and to ask when steps will be taken to give full effect to the Act.
7. MR. STEWART: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the Report of Colonel Ward as to the more useful and economical management of the Mint; and to ask if the Government will take the necessary steps to carry out the suggestions contained therein.
8. MR. A. T. CLARK: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the evidence given by Mr. Andrew Robertson before a Board appointed to inquire into the administration of the Department of Crown Lands; and to ask whether he has taken any steps in the matter, and, if so, what are they.
9. MR. JAMES: To call the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands to the case of Henry William Lyte, who took up forty acres of land under "The Land Act 1865," obtained a license, and paid rent to within Nine pounds seventeen shillings and sixpence of the full amount of purchase, and then applied for the Crown grant, to which he has received no answer; and to ask if the Crown grant for said land has got into other hands, and, if so, whether there is any remedy for Mr. Lyte in the Lands Office.
10. MR. LOCK: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, whether, with the view of prospecting for and ascertaining the existence or otherwise of auriferous leads, the Government will in connexion with the Geological Survey Branch authorize a series of bores to be made through the basaltic rock in the vicinity of the various gold-fields, wherever there are indications of the existence of any such auriferous leads.
11. MR. WOODS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (1.) If the drawings for the machinery at the Alfred Graving Dock were mere photographs, and wholly unworkable as sent out here.
 - (2.) If these photographs of drawings were paid for by the Public Works department.
 - (3.) What amount of money was paid for said photographs, and to whom.
12. MR. WHITEMAN: To call the attention of the Government to a Return, recently laid upon the Table of this House, showing the amount of rent received from lands leased and licensed on the South Bank of the Yarra, also to the impassable condition of the roads in the vicinity of such lands; and to ask whether the Government will cause to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, a sum equal to two years' rent, for the purpose of forming and metalling these roads.
13. MR. THOMAS: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the case of Detective Walker, recently invalidated; and to ask if the department intend to carry out the agreement entered into with him.

NOTICES OF MOTION. (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relative to the detention of certain goods owned by Messrs. Cochrane and Brien by the Customs authorities for under valuation.
2. MR. WRIXON: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing—
 - (1.) The net income (without regard to deductions for loans) for 1875 of all the Shires enumerated in the seventeenth schedule of the Local Government Bill 1874; based upon a rate of two-shillings and sixpence in the pound on the last valuation of rateable property in such shires.
 - (2.) The total amount payable for 1875 by way of endowment on such income under the Local Government Bill 1874.
 - (3.) Similar returns regarding the Shires enumerated in Schedules eighteen and nineteen of the Local Government Bill 1874.
 - (4.) The total amount payable in 1875 under the Local Government Bill 1874 as endowment on the net incomes (as thus ascertained) of all the Shires.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Estimate of Expenditure for salaries, wages, and contingencies, under the "*Public Works Loan Act 1872*," during the year ending 30th June 1875.
2. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Estimate of Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur for the purposes of Water Supply to the Castlemaine and Sandhurst Districts and the Town of Geelong, during the year ending 30th June 1875.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. INTERPRETATION OF ACTS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
4. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
2. MR. MASON : To move, That the petition presented to this House on the 5th instant from the Alberton Shire Council be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "*Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill*."
3. MR. MUNRO : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers connected with an inquiry or inquiries recently held into the conduct of Police Constable Keegan, and with the removal of that constable from Emerald Hill to Melbourne.
4. MR. COPPIN : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
5. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Francis, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Young, Dr. Madden, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Thomas, and the mover; three to form a quorum.
6. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "*The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company*," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
7. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
8. DR. MADDEN : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to cause the sum of £500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for enabling Professor Halford to more effectively pursue his scientific enquiries into the results of direct injection of chemical agents into the blood.
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1. DOG ACT AMENDMENT-BILL—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LALOR : To move, That the petition presented by him to this House on the 13th instant, from the ratepayers of the district of Connewarre, be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "*Local Government Laws Consolidation Act Amendment Bill.*"

2. **MR. LAIOR** : To move that a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the claims of the pilots of this Port against the Government, in consequence of the defalcations of a former secretary to the Pilot Board, such Committee to consist of Mr. Cohen, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Berry, Mr. Service, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. James, Mr. Thomas, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 18th August.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 15.
First Report of the Printing Committee. D 1.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 32.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[32]

Papers *re* O'Ferrall. No. 42. (Issue completed.)

Industrial and Reformatory Schools—Report of the Inspector for the year 1873. No. 47.

Public Works Loan Act 1872—Estimate of Expenditure for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies under—during the year ending 30th June 1875. A.—No. 15. (To Members of both Houses.)

Public Works Loan Acts of 1868 and 1872—Estimate of Expenditure for Water Supply to the Castlemaine and Sandhurst districts, and the Town of Geelong under—during the year ending 30th June 1875. A.—No. 16. (To Members of both Houses.)

Interpretation of Acts Amendment Bill.—[17] (To Members of both Houses.)

Dog Act 1864' Amendment Bill.—[20] (To Members of both Houses.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1874.

1. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the public meeting recently held at Sale relative to the projected alterations in the Court-house of that town; and to ask if it be his intention to assent to the resolutions adopted at that meeting in relation to such alterations.
2. **MR. LÉVIEN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether he will give instructions that when a vacancy occurs in a school, it shall be filled from the pupil teachers in such school who shall have passed their examinations successfully, and are of the required age.
3. **MR. PATTERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the expensive and inconvenient arrangement of the trains on the Castlemaine and Maryborough line; and to ask if he will alter the time table so that the first train from Maryborough may meet the first train from Sandhurst at Castlemaine, thus enabling passengers from Maryborough and the intermediate stations to reach Melbourne by the morning train, and save the unnecessary expense attending the present arrangement.
4. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the President of Lands if the statements made by a correspondent of the *Age* of the 17th instant and signed "On Looker" is correct.
5. **MR. BENT** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer to whom was the last payment of £2,000 due upon Evans and Christopherson's contract paid by the Treasury, naming the day and hour.
6. **MR. JAMES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands to the case of Henry William Lyte, who took up forty acres of land under "The Land Act 1865," obtained a license, and paid rent to within Nine pounds seventeen shillings and sixpence of the full amount of purchase, and then applied for the Crown grant, to which he has received no answer; and to ask if the Crown grant for said land has got into other hands, and, if so, whether there is any remedy for Mr. Lyte in the Lands Office.
7. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the decision of a bench of magistrates whereby two children caught pilfering newspapers were sentenced to a long term of incarceration; and to ask what steps he proposes to take in order that the punishment may be more adequate to the offence.
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 - (1.) Who furnished the drawings for the machinery of the Alfred Graving Dock.
 - (2.) Is the machinery of the Dock made from those drawings?
 - (3.) What amount of money was paid, or has to be paid, for said drawings.
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Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled an Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria, and for other purposes therein mentioned,*" be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. MacPherson, Mr. MacBain, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. R. Richardson, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and that leave be given to print the evidence taken before such Committee.

Government Business.

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1. INTERPRETATION OF ACTS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872—ESTIMATE FOR SALARIES, ETC.—To be considered in Committee.
3. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACTS OF 1868 AND 1872—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR WATER SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
5. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
6. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
7. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
2. **POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
3. **FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
4. **GOLD PROSPECTORS**—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
5. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he will cause a trial survey to be made of a line of railway from Spencer street station or the Gaol Reserve by way of Fitzroy and Collingwood to Kew, and thence by Boroondara to Oakleigh.

General Business.

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TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. MR. CONNOR : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath ; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 20th August.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH AUGUST.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 16.

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Public Works Loan Act 1872—Estimate of Expenditure for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies under—during the year ending 30th June 1875. A.—No. 15. (Issue completed.)

Public Works Loan Acts of 1868 and 1872—Estimate of Expenditure for Water Supply to the Castlemaine and Sandhurst districts, and the Town of Geelong, during the year ending 30th June 1875. A.—No. 16. (Issue completed.)

Statistics 1873—Part V. Interchange. No. 25.

Interpretation of Acts Act Amendment Bill.—[17] (To Members of both Houses.)

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2. MR. MUNRO: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Mines to state—
 - (1.) What was the difference in price between the importers and Colonial founders for supplying 5,600 lengths of 7-inch diameter cast iron water pipes lately tendered for.
 - (2.) The number of months in which the Colonial founders and importers undertook to supply the said contract.
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 - (1.) If progress measurements have been made regularly every fortnight on the contract of Messrs. Evans and Christopherson.
 - (2.) Whether such measurements have been made by the engineer in charge or by some other officer, and if made by any other officer when, and by whom.
 - (3.) If 80 per cent. on work completed, except maintenance, has invariably been paid to the contractors, and if not, when has this condition of the contract been departed from.
 - (4.) What is the value of material, and partially worked material now on the ground, the value of contractors' plant in the hands of the Government, and the amount of money, if any, advanced to contractors on such plant and material.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872—ESTIMATE FOR SALARIES, ETC.—Resolution to be reported.
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TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. COPE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, to the absolute necessity of the Public Works Department holding a strict supervision over the works now being carried on at the Reilly street drain, for which so large a sum of the public money has been voted; and to ask him if it is the intention to do so.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
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 - (1.) The length of the Beechworth branch line already let by tender.
 - (2.) The distance from end of present contract into Beechworth.
 - (3.) The maximum gradient (and length) on that section.
 - (4.) The weight of rails per yard, and engines required to work that section.
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 - (6.) The total estimated cost including stations, rolling-stock required, &c., of that section.
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 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. MR. CONNOR : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath ; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 20th August.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at two o'clock.
PILOTS' CLAIMS—at four o'clock.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 16.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1874.

1. **MR. COPE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, to the absolute necessity of the Public Works Department holding a strict supervision over the works now being carried on at the Reilly street drain, for which so large a sum of the public money has been voted ; and to ask him if it is the intention to do so.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (1.) If it be correct that Mr. Barry was released from his contract on the Yan Yean works, and that his deposit was returned.
 - (2.) For what amount in excess the same work was subsequently relet;
 - (3.) Whether, in addition to this excess, cement is provided for such work at the cost of the Government inclusive or exclusive of carriage.
3. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the offer of the Ballarat City Council to provide shrubs and trees to plant in all the State School Reserves in the Ballarat district, provided the Department would undertake to plant the same ; and to ask what steps have been taken towards carrying out this object.
4. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands to the second letter signed "On Looker" in this day's *Age* ; and to ask if he has any further information on the subject.
5. **MR. WM. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General, if his attention has been called to a paragraph in the *Geelong Advertiser* of the 20th instant, wherein it is stated that a Justice of the Peace at Terang served a summons on a defendant for 13s. 6d. alleged to be due for firewood, and subsequently adjudicated on the case ; and what steps, if any, he has taken in the matter.
6. **MR. MUNRO** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Mines to state—
 - (1.) What was the difference in price between the importers and Colonial founders for supplying 5,600 lengths of 7-inch diameter cast iron water pipes lately tendered for.
 - (2.) The number of months in which the Colonial founders and importers undertook to supply the said contract.
7. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the great inconvenience and injustice experienced by farmers and other inhabitants of Greta, Boggy Creek, Moylan, Lacey, Taminick, and Glenrowan, in the delay in opening a station at Glenrowan, on the North-Eastern line ; and to ask whether he will at once take steps to have a station erected at the place mentioned.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. INTERPRETATION OF ACTS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE—STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
4. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—/

1. MR. DUFFY: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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 - (2.) The number of applications under the 19th section, in the County of Anglesey, that have been refused during the years 1873 and 1874, on account of such objections.
 - (3.) The expenses, so far as known to the Land department, that the applicants who have been so refused have been put to.
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3. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering His Excellency the Governor's Message No. 5 relating to Payment of Members.
4. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
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 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
13. MR. W. CLARKE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "*The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company*," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
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15. **DR. MADDEN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to cause the sum of £500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for enabling Professor Halford to more effectively pursue his scientific enquiries into the results of direct injection of chemical agents into the blood.
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17. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
18. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
19. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
20. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the total expenditure in advertising the disposal of the four per cent. loan.
21. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
22. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.
23. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
24. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
25. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
5. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the petition presented by him to this House on the 13th instant, from the ratapayers of the district of Connewarre, be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "Local Government Laws Consolidation Act Amendment Bill."

2. **MR. WHITEMAN :** To move, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. MacDermott, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Young, Dr. Madden, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Thomas, and the mover; three to form a quorum.
3. **MR. F. L. SMYTH :** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
4. **MR. CONNOR :** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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2. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL :** To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 25th August.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at three o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 26th August.

PILOTS' CLAIMS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST AUGUST.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 35.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[35]

Post Office and Telegraph Department—Rules and Regulations for the guidance of officers and others in the Telegraph Branch. No. 68.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1874.

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the fact that orders in favor of some of the workmen for wages due to them have been made by Courts of Petty Sessions, and notices served on the Board of Land and Works in *re* Evans and Christopherson contract for the Yan Yean; and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to recognise and pay such orders; and, if so, when.
2. MR. WOODS: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of school accommodation in St. Arnaud, Landsborough, and Malakoff; and to ask if he will take prompt steps to supply the educational wants of those places.
3. MR. MASON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the power contained in the 15th and 16th sections of the Education Act; and to the fact that no Board of Advice has been elected or appointed to the State school at Brandy Creek; and to ask if he will appoint one.
4. MR. WITT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the great inconvenience and injustice experienced by farmers and other inhabitants of Greta, Boggy Creek, Moylan, Laceby, Taminick, and Glenrowan, in the delay in opening a station at Glenrowan, on the North-Eastern line; and to ask whether he will at once take steps to have a station erected at the place mentioned.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. HANNA: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Plan showing the gradients of the Mount Alexander Railway between Melbourne and Echuca; also the gradients between Melbourne and Wodonga.
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General Business.

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19. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies ; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
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23. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS**—Message of His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
2. **DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
3. **POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
4. **FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
5. **GOLD PROSPECTORS**—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
6. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. LALOR** : To move, That the petition presented by him to this House on the 13th instant, from the ratapayers of the district of Connewarre, be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "Local Government Laws Consolidation Act Amendment Bill."
2. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Mr. MacDermott, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Young, Dr. Madden, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Thomas, and the mover ; three to form a quorum.
3. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
4. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. LANGTON** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, whether the Government intend to deal with the report of the Royal Commission on the Low-lying Lands on the south and west of the city of Melbourne, and with the recommendations of the Committee on a River and Harbor Trust, during the present session.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
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4. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 26th August.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at two o'clock.
 PILOTS' CLAIMS—at two o'clock.

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Payment of Members—Message. B.—No. 5.

Sandridge Town Pier—Tonnage—Return. C.—No. 7.

Immigration—Petition. E.—No. 2.

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The Land Act 1869—Regulation. No. 72.

Public Works Loan Application Bill.—[22]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST 1874.

1. MR. TUCKER: To ask the Honorable the Premier, if there is any foundation for a report that the Government contemplate the erection of a Contagious Diseases Hospital on the Heidelberg road and near the boundary of the town of Collingwood.
2. MR. F. L. SMYTH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the present mode of selection of pictures for the National Arts Gallery; and to ask what assistance the Trustees obtain in the selection and the purchasing, both in the colony and at home, of works of art.
3. MR. W. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Premier, if his attention has been called to the outbreak of pleuro-pneumonia in Grenville, and what steps he intends to adopt to prevent the spread of the same.
4. MR. F. L. SMYTH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the case of the widow of Constable John Coleman, deceased, and the report of the Police Superannuation Board, 12th May, 1874, and the 26th section of the 37 Vic., No. 476; and to ask him whether he agrees with the report of the Board, and whether, notwithstanding that report, he will recommend an annuity or gratuity to the widow of Coleman.
5. MR. A. T. CLARK: To ask the Honorable the Premier whether the Government will offer a reward of £1,000 for the apprehension of O'Ferrall.
6. MR. WITT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the great inconvenience and injustice experienced by farmers and other inhabitants of Greta, Boggy Creek, Moylan, Lacey, Taminick, and Glenrowan, in the delay in opening a station at Glenrowan, on the North-Eastern line; and to ask whether he will at once take steps to have a station erected at the place mentioned.
7. MR. G. PATON SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways whether he will cause a trial survey to be made of a line of railway from Spencer street station or the Gaol Reserve by way of Fitzroy and Collingwood to Kew, and thence by Boroondara to Oakleigh.
8. MR. WITT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the fact that there are several post and telegraph masters now in the service of the Government who were appointed prior to the passing of the existing *Civil Service Act*; and to ask him if it is his intention to classify in the 5th class of the said Act those officers, and when.
9. MR. WHITEMAN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether he intends to introduce a Bill to enable him to deal with school sites on Emerald Hill; and if so, when such Bill will be introduced.
10. MR. WITT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the pressing necessity which exists for a new State school at Enoch's Point, and remind him that tenders were invited for the building of this school more than twelve months ago; and to ask him why such delay has arisen in accepting a tender for this work.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SERVICE: To move, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of considering certain duties of Customs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
5. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LALOR: To move, That the petition presented by him to this House on the 13th instant, from the ratepayers of the district of Connewarre, be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "Local Government Laws Consolidation Act Amendment Bill."
2. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, That the petition of Mr. Reginald Green, presented to this House on the 10th June 1874, be referred to a Select Committee for inquiry and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. MacDermott, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Young, Dr. Madden, Mr. Godfrey, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Thomas, and the mover; three to form a quorum.
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4. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
5. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all the papers at present in the Crown Law Offices bearing on the Akehurst case.
6. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
7. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The length of the Beechworth branch line already let by tender.
 - (2.) The distance from end of present contract into Beechworth.
 - (3.) The maximum gradient (and length) on that section.
 - (4.) The weight of rails per yard, and engines required to work that section.
 - (5.) The geological formation through which the proposed line would have to pass.
 - (6.) The total estimated cost including stations, rolling-stock required, &c., of that section.
 - (7.) The monthly amount of traffic, irrespective of Government stores, conveyance of lunatics, pensioners, officers, and others in the Government employ, between Wangaratta and Beechworth.
8. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
9. MR. BERRY : To move, That the Petition from the inhabitants and ratepayers of Thomson Ward, Geelong, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, when the Local Government Bill is under consideration.
10. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all papers referring to the dismissal of John Maloney from the Police force.
11. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
12. MR. WOODS : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
13. MR. MASON : To move, That the petition presented to this House on the 5th instant from the Alberton Shire Council be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "*Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill.*"
14. MR. COPPIN : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
15. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation of the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "*The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company,*" at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
16. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
17. DR. MADDEN : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to cause the sum of £500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for enabling Professor Halford to more effectively pursue his scientific enquiries into the results of direct injection of chemical agents into the blood.
18. MR. WITT : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
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20. MR. WRIXON : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS—Resolutions to be reported.
2. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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1. MR. LANGTON : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, whether the Government intend to deal with the report of the Royal Commission on the Low-lying Lands on the south and west of the city of Melbourne, and with the recommendations of the Committee on a River and Harbor Trust, during the present session.
2. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the fact that orders in favor of some of the workmen for wages due to them have been made by Courts of Petty Sessions, and notices served on the Board of Land and Works in *re* Evans and Christopherson contract for the Yan Yean; and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to recognise and pay such orders; and, if so, when.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. LANGTON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing:—
 - (1.) The average number of persons receiving indoor relief in each of the Charitable Institutions in the colony during 1873.
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 - (3.) The amount of subscriptions received by each of such institutions during the year 1873.
 - (4.) The amount of the Government grant to each of such institutions for the financial year 1873-4.
2. MR. CREWS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return—
 - (1.) The name of the person who supplied the plans and specifications for Locomotives No. 103 and No. 105.
 - (2.) The cost of each such engine, also their weight, diameter of wheels, diameter of cylinder, "lap" of slide valves, and amount of weight carried by each pair of wheels.
 - (3.) What alterations have been made in these engines, since first put on the Williamstown line, and the cost of such alterations.
 - (4.) How many engines are being made from the same plans and specifications.
 - (5.) The name of the person who supplied the plans and specifications for the composite carriages now running on the Williamstown line.
 - (6.) When the Government took delivery of the same, the mileage run, the cost of alterations and repairs.
 - (7.) How many times each carriage has been in the running sheds for repairs and alterations.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BERRY : To move, That leave be given to increase the number of the Members of the Committee on "The O'Ferrall Frauds," and that Mr. A. T. Clark be added to such committee.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 27th August.

PILOTS' CLAIMS—at quarter-past two o'clock.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at half-past three o'clock.

Tuesday, 1st September.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at two o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

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Post Office and Telegraph Department—Regulations and Schedules, &c. No. 67.

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4. MR. WOODS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the rapid increase of the use of opium amongst the white population, more especially amongst young girls, who are systematically decoyed into the dens occupied by filthy Chinese; and to ask if he will take prompt steps to restrict the sale of opium; and prevent Chinese mixing with or living amongst the white population so far as social or domestic relations are concerned.
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 - (3.) What alterations have been made in these engines, since first put on the Williamstown line, and the cost of such alterations.
 - (4.) How many engines are being made from the same plans and specifications.
 - (5.) The name of the person who supplied the plans and specifications for the composite carriages now running on the Williamstown line.
 - (6.) When the Government took delivery of the same, the mileage run, the cost of alterations and repairs.
 - (7.) How many times each carriage has been in the running sheds for repairs and alterations.
3. MR. STEWART : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relative to Wardle and others' claim for compensation in connection with the Coliban scheme of water supply.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CUSTOMS DUTIES—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
6. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BERRY : To move, That leave be given to increase the number of the Members of the Committee on "The O'Ferrall Frauds," and that Mr. A. T. Clark be added to such committee.
2. MR. LALOR : To move, That the petition presented by him to this House on the 13th instant, from the ratepayers of the district of Connewarre, be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "Local Government Laws Consolidation Act Amendment Bill."
3. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all the papers at present in the Crown Law Offices bearing on the Akehurst case.
5. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
6. MR. WOODS : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The length of the Beechworth branch line already let by tender.
 - (2.) The distance from end of present contract into Beechworth.
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 - (4.) The weight of rails per yard, and engines required to work that section.
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 - (6.) The total estimated cost including stations, rolling-stock required, &c., of that section.
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7. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
8. MR. BERRY : To move, That the Petition from the inhabitants and ratepayers of Thomson Ward, Geelong, be referred to the Committee of the whole House, when the Local Government Bill is under consideration.
9. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all papers referring to the dismissal of John Maloney from the Police force.
10. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
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12. MR. MASON : To move, That the petition presented to this House on the 5th instant from the Alberton Shire Council be referred to the Committee of the whole on the "Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill."
13. MR. COPPIN : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
14. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob-Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
15. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.

16. MR. WITT : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *viâ* Gaffney's Creek ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
17. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
18. MR. WRIXON : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
19. MR. WITT : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies ; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
20. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the total expenditure in advertising the disposal of the four per cent. loan.
21. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
22. MR. WITT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3 ; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.
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- (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
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 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
2. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
5. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CONNOR: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. PURVES: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. MR. CONNOR: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres), ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 1st September.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at two o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 2nd September.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at two o'clock.
PILOTS' CLAIMS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH AUGUST.

Interpretation of Acts Act Amendment Bill.—[17] (To Members of Council only.)
Public Works Loan Application Bill.—[22] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 37 and No. 38.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[38]

Estimates of Revenue and Estimates of Expenditure for School Buildings, Charitable Institutions, and Public Works, for the Year ending 30th June 1875; with Statement of Accounts, 1873-4 and 1874-5—Message. B.—No. 6. (To Members of both Houses.)

Imports—False Declarations of Value—Return. C.—No. 9.

Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill—Petition. E.—No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER 1874.

1. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General when he can appropriate an evening for the discussion of the resolutions regarding the land system standing in his (Mr. Campbell's) name.
2. **MR. STEWART** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the case of Donald Morrison, who purchased his holding in the parish of Eglinton, about three years ago, under 31st section of Land Act 1865, grant of which, although signed by the Governor, has been refused to be given up to Morrison; and to ask when said grant will be issued.
3. **MR. CAMPBELL** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he will ascertain as soon as possible whether the Government of New South Wales has any objection to provide a Quarantine Ground for sheep from Victoria on the Murray as well as at Sydney.
4. **MR. MUNRO** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the unsatisfactory manner in which the actuarial duties imposed under the 14th section of the Friendly Societies Statute are at present performed, and to the delay which has taken place in certifying to the tables of the St. Andrew's Society, Melbourne; and to ask if he will issue instructions to the proper officers to carry out the provisions of the said Statute, and especially to return the said tables to the Society without further delay.
5. **MR. GODFREY** : To ask the Honorable the Premier when the Government will be prepared to remove the gunpowder from the magazine in the Royal Park.
6. **MR. MACBAIN** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General when he intends calling for tenders for the construction of the extension of the telegraph line from Stawell to Horsham.
7. **MR. HANNA** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer when the Return ordered by this House on the 14th July last regarding the Volunteer Force will be laid on the Table of this House.
8. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the present mode of selection of pictures for the National Arts Gallery; and to ask what assistance the Trustees obtain in the selection and the purchasing, both in the colony and at home, of works of art.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. MUNRO** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the Report of Captain Standish on the Detective Force of Victoria.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GILLIES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Estimate of Expenditure for salaries, wages, and contingencies under "*The Public Works Loan Act 1872*" and "*The Railway Loan Act 1873*" during the year ending 30th June 1875.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **CUSTOMS DUTIES**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
6. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
7. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity and value of exports from, and imports to, each of the ports of Warrnambool, Belfast, and Portland respectively for the year ending the 30th June 1874, distinguishing the quantity and value of exports sent coastwise from that exported to other countries.
2. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
3. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
4. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
7. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CONNOR :** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. HOPKINS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the waste of time incurred by the mail from Belfast being delivered in Geelong ; and to ask if it can leave two hours later from Belfast.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, when the department intends to call for tenders for the erection of the new school No. 22, the present building being inadequate.
3. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the necessity of supplying the mills on the River Barwon with water for manufacturing purposes at a greatly reduced rate ; and to ask if he will take the matter into his consideration.
4. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the rapid increase of the use of opium amongst the white population, more especially amongst young girls, who are systematically decoyed into the dens occupied by filthy Chinese ; and to ask if he will take prompt steps to restrict the sale of opium, and prevent Chinese mixing with or living amongst the white population so far as social or domestic relations are concerned.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing :—
 - (1.) The number of schools built since the present Education Act came into operation.
 - (2.) The localities in which such schools have been built.
 - (3.) The number of children of school age within the school radius of each school.
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 - (5.) The number of applications for school accommodation.
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 - (1.) The length of the Beechworth branch line already let by tender.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 2nd September.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at two o'clock.

PILOTS' CLAIMS—at two o'clock.

Thursday, 3rd September.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at two o'clock.

Wednesday, 9th September.

MR. REGINALD GREEN—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 28TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 18.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 19.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 39.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[39]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 4.

Public Works Loan Act 1872, and Railway Loan Act 1873.—Estimate of Expenditure for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies under—during the year ending 30th June 1875. A.—No. 18.

Estimates of Revenue and Estimates of Expenditure for School Buildings, Charitable Institutions, and Public Works, for the Year ending 30th June 1875; with Statement of Accounts, 1873-4 and 1874-5—Message. B.—No. 6. (Issue completed.)

Reports of Colonel-Commandant—Return. C.—No. 8.

First Report of the Printing Committee. D.—No. 2.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the application of Denis King, of Elaine, for an allotment of land of about five acres, which has been refused on the ground of its being likely to be required for mining purposes; and to ask if a license for such land will be issued to Mr. King.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer when it will be convenient to the Government to give a portion of an evening for the discussion of the prospecting resolutions.
3. **MR. PURVES** : To call the attention of the Government to the motion standing in his name upon the business paper, anent the Promotion of Immigration; and to ask whether, seeing the universal interest manifested in the subject throughout the colony, the Government will afford an early opportunity of ventilating the subject by indicating some time for the bringing forward of the motion.
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5. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the present mode of selection of pictures for the National Arts Gallery; and to ask what assistance the Trustees obtain in the selection and the purchasing, both in the colony and at home, of works of art.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the quantity and value of exports from, and imports to, each of the ports of Warrnambool, Belfast, and Portland respectively for the year ending the 30th June 1874, distinguishing the quantity and value of exports sent coastwise from that exported to other countries.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872, AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1873—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR SALARIES, ETC.**—To be considered in Committee.
2. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **CUSTOMS DUTIES**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading—Résumption of debate.
7. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
8. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

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6. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.

7. **MR. W. CLARKE :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
8. **MR. JONES :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
9. **MR. WITT :** To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
10. **MR. WRIXON :** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
11. **MR. WRIXON :** To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
12. **MR. WITT :** To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
13. **MR. WITT :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. LOCK :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the unequal and arbitrary operation of the provisions of the Wines, Beer, and Spirits Sale Statute, which authorizes the proclamation of certain parts of any shire or road district within which £10 publicans' licenses may be granted, whereas licensed houses in the immediate vicinity pay £25 annual license; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce an amending Bill during the session under which licensed houses in country districts may be classified as 1st, 2nd, and 3rd class, carrying licenses of £25, £15, and £10 respectively, according to the size, situation, and accommodation of each house, or upon some similar principle of classification.
2. **MR. HOPKINS :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the waste of time incurred by the mail from Belfast being delivered in Geelong; and to ask if it can leave two hours later from Belfast.
3. **MR. WOODS :** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, when the department intends to call for tenders for the erection of the new school No. 22, the present building being inadequate.
4. **MR. LALOR :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the necessity of supplying the mills on the River Barwon with water for manufacturing purposes at a greatly reduced rate; and to ask if he will take the matter into his consideration.

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6. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the case of the widow of the late George Chambers, who, for many years was a messenger of the Legislative Council; and to ask if he will recognise the claims of Mrs. Chambers to compensation, and cause the same to be provided for on the Estimates in the usual way.
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9. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the circumstances connected with the estate of the late Peter McKenna, formerly of Snowy Creek, Ovens; and to ask him if he will cause a fuller enquiry to be made of the Curator of Intestate Estates as to the funds alleged to have been placed in his hands.
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6. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
7. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.

2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
- (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. PURVES: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. MR. CONNOR: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 3rd September.

PILOTS' CLAIMS—at two o'clock.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at two o'clock.

Tuesday, 8th September.

THE BANK OF VICTORIA BILL—at twelve o'clock.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at three o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 9th September.

MR. REGINALD GREEN—at eleven o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD SEPTEMBER.

Foreign Offenders Apprehension Act 1863, New Zealand. A 1.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 40.

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Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 30th June 1874. No. 64.

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12. **MR. MUNRO** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Solicitor-General to the case reported in the *Argus* of 22nd and 25th July last, and commented upon in the same paper on the 30th July, of the application of a Mr. Isaacs for a transfer of the license of the Railway Hotel, Elizabeth street, Melbourne, which was granted notwithstanding the facts proved by the police when the application was heard; and to ask, if he will take any action with a view to prevent the granting of a license to the said Isaacs on the 8th instant.
13. **MR. MOORE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the second paragraph of Agricultural Notes published in the *Age* and *Leader* newspapers of the 29th August last; and to ask whether the statement made therein has any foundation in fact.
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12. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government to pay the workmen recently in the employment of Messrs. Evans and Christopherson without any further delay.
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6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
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Tuesday, 8th September.

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THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at three o'clock.
PILOTS' CLAIMS—at two o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

Wednesday, 9th September.

MR. REGINALD GREEN—at eleven o'clock.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to a sale of land advertised to be held at Hamilton on the 15th instant; and to ask him if he will withdraw from sale allotment 2B, section B, 140a. 3r. 16p., as the same is likely to interfere with the selectors of Buckley's Swamp.
2. **DR. MADDEN** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer when he proposes to submit for the consideration of the House, the Report of a Committee appointed to inquire into the claims of deceased Civil Servants.
3. **MR. J. RICHARDSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to a statement, that the Station-master at Beaufort is precluded by his instructions from furnishing tickets for passengers to Geelong; and to ask if such be the case he will remedy this inconvenience.
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7. **MR. HOPKINS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the waste of time incurred by the mail from Belfast being delivered in Geelong; and to ask if it can leave two hours later from Belfast.
8. **MR. MOORE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the second paragraph of Agricultural Notes published in the *Age* and *Leader* newspapers of the 29th August last; and to ask whether
9. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the present mode of selection of pictures for the National Arts Gallery; and to ask what assistance the Trustees obtain in the selection and the purchasing, both in the colony and at home, of works of art.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **CUSTOMS DUTIES**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
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7. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
8. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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10. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
11. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
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15. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit; three to form a quorum.
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8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.

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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 9th September.

MR. REGINALD GREEN—at eleven o'clock.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—at two o'clock.

Thursday, 10th September.

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Tuesday, 15th September.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. STEWART** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the complaints of selectors who have applied for land in the Echuca district ; and to ask if he will take the necessary steps to remedy their grievances.
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 - (1.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to request the Board which has lately reported on certain of the said claims to investigate and report on all existing claims still remaining undisposed of, and
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Government Business.

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2. SUPPLIES—DUTIES—To be further considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

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1. **MR. MUST** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.

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1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH SEPTEMBER.

Vaccination Bill.—[10] As re-reported 8th September. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 43.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[43]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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1. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs—
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
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THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CASEY** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Land Act 1869.*"

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Tuesday, 15th September.

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PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 20.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[44]

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(1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
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26. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
27. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *viâ* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
28. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
29. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
30. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CASEY** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend "*The Land Act 1869.*"

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. SULLIVAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing—
(1.) The number of gallons of spirits made from beet-root during the year 1873 at Staughton Vale Distillery.
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(3.) The rate of duty per gallon, and amount paid at Customs, and the number of gallons now remaining in bonded stores.
2. **MR. SULLIVAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all papers and documents relating to the claim of the Victorian Beet-root Sugar Company Limited, for a portion of the bonus money voted for the encouragement of the Beet-root Sugar Industry.

TUESDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a recent lottery at Ballarat, and to ask him—
 - (1.) Whether the permission of the Attorney-General was given for the holding of a lottery at Ballarat, and, if so, upon what representations.
 - (2.) Whether he is aware that the said lottery was in fraud of the permission so given.
 - (3.) Whether he is aware of gentlemen in the commission of the peace being engaged in the prosecution of a lottery which is a fraud on the permission of the Attorney-General and a violation of the law.
 - (4.) Whether he proposes to prosecute certain persons engaged in holding an illegal lottery at Ballarat.
 - (5.) Whether he will cause an inquiry into the conduct of certain magistrates of Ballarat, who have been actually engaged in holding an illegal lottery.
2. **MR. CONNOR:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the desirability of the Royal Mint being made available for the manufacture of gold, silver, and bronze medals for the different agricultural, pastoral, and horticultural societies of the colony free of cost, provided the medals and dies are provided by the societies requiring the medals; and to ask him if he will take steps to effect this object.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON:** To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL:** To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. **MR. PURVES:** To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. **MR. CONNOR:** To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.
5. **MR. WOODS:** To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the prospecting resolutions be now taken into consideration.
6. **MR. GRANT:** To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 16th September.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at half-past one o'clock.

MR. REGINALD GREEN—at two o'clock.

PILOTS' CLAIMS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 21.

Trust Estates Bill.—[14] As reported 10th September. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 45.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[45]

Lands available for Settlement—Return. C.—No. 10.

East Bourke Election—Report, &c. D.—No. 3. (To Members of Assembly only.)

The Land Act 1869—Report, Evidence, &c., for 1873. No. 22.

Payment of Members Bill.—[27]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the length of time likely to take place before the final passing of the Local Government Bill ; and to ask if he will issue bridge and road construction orders for the current year, as provided by the 296th Section of the Shires Statute.
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General Business.

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1. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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8. MR. J. RICHARDSON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General, in view of the shipwrecks, to the desirability of telegraphic communication with King's Island, and to ask whether there is any information in the Department on the condition of the cable abandoned some years since, and, if not, whether the Government will consider the advisability of having an examination of the abandoned lengths made.
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Government Business.

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2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
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1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 22nd September.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at half-past one o'clock.
PILOTS' CLAIMS—at three o'clock.
MR. REGINALD GREEN—at three o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH SEPTEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 22.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 47.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[47]
Public Works Loan Act 1872 and Railway Loan Act 1873—Estimate, &c. A.—No. 20.
Locomotives Nos. 103 and 105—Return. C.—No. 11.
The Land Act 1869—Regulations. No. 76.
Order in Council—Mining Operations in the Police Paddock, Taradale. No. 77.
Order in Council—Land excepted from Occupation for Mining, &c. No. 78.
Vaccination Bill.—[10] (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. McLELLAN** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways when he will be prepared to call for tenders for the first section of the Ararat and Hamilton Railway.
2. **MR. WRIXON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways and Roads whether the Government will take steps to prevent the further alienation of land along the probable route of a railway connecting the boroughs of Warrnambool, Belfast, and Koroit with Hamilton.
3. **MR. G. V. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the claims made to classification under the Civil Service Act by certain officers of the Industrial Schools Department ; and to ask if the Government intends to recognize the rights thus claimed.
4. **MR. WRIXON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if the investigation made by the agents of the department into the nature of the settlement under the Land Laws (referred to in the annual report lately presented to Parliament), and any other sources of information within his reach, would enable him to give an approximate estimate of the proportion of selectors under the Land Acts of 1862, 1865, and 1869, who selected before the 31st December 1870, and who, or whose representatives, now retain possession of their selections.
5. **DR. MADDEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the facilities afforded by him for the consideration by the House of certain other measures and resolutions in the notice of Private Business ; and to ask if he will also fix an early day for the consideration by the House of the resolution in favor of assisted immigration standing on the notice-paper in the name of the honorable member Mr. Purves.
6. **MR. G. PATON SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the proceedings recently taken with regard to the Captain and Mate of the American ship *Arcturus* ; and to ask him whether it is true that the police, in order to carry out the law, carried with them a letter from the American Consul, and whether the Government issued any instructions prohibiting the ship being piloted down the Bay.
7. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the fact, that on Sundays the Botanical Gardens are not opened to the public until one o'clock p.m., thus depriving a large number of people of the enjoyment they might obtain if entrance were allowed to the gardens at an early hour ; and to ask him if he will authorise their being opened at six o'clock a.m.
8. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the circumstance that a portion of the June mail did not arrive in due course in England ; and ask if any information has been received by him as to the cause of the same.
9. **DR. MADDEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the fact that telegraphic communication is now complete through from Melbourne to Ballan, but that no office is yet opened at Bacchus Marsh ; and to ask when he proposes to open an office for the transmission of telegrams at that town.
10. **MR. LEVIEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the delay which is occurring in the erection of school buildings at Gheringhap, Lower Leigh road, Fyansford, Curlewis, and Drysdale ; and to ask when school buildings are likely to be provided.
11. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 28th July 1870, in relation to the mode of granting Supplies ; and to ask him whether he has any objection to the question being referred to the Committee of the Standing Orders of this House, with a view of amending the Standing Orders Nos. 274, 275, and 276 ; and also in order to abolish the distinctions between the Committees of Supply, Ways and Means, and Committees of the whole generally in relation to supply and taxation.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That the Report of the Select Committee on a Bill intituled "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now taken into consideration.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing—
 - (1.) The number of schools built since the present Education Act came into operation.
 - (2.) The localities in which such schools have been built.
 - (3.) The cost of each school and site, separately, and where built.
 - (4.) The number of applications for school accommodation, and where from.
 - (5.) The approximate number of children in country districts unprovided with school accommodation.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing—
 - (1.) The length of the Beechworth branch line proposed to be let by tender.
 - (2.) The distance from end of proposed contract into Beechworth.
 - (3.) The maximum gradient (and length) on that section.
 - (4.) The weight of rails per yard, and engines required to work that section.
 - (5.) The geological formation through which the proposed line would have to pass.
 - (6.) The total estimated cost including stations, rolling-stock required, &c., of that section.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1873—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
2. CUSTOMS DUTIES—Resolutions to be reported.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
7. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PATTERSON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing—
 - (1.) The number of Mining Leases granted in the Castlemaine Mining District.
 - (2.) Dates of leases, names of lessees, areas, and where situated.
 - (3.) The number complying with conditions by working same.
 - (4.) The number and names of those claims not in work, and the date of lease, and how long they have been so unworked.
2. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; such Committee to consist of three to form a quorum. with power to call for persons and papers ;
3. MR. PATTERSON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the statement circulated in a pamphlet entitled, " A Statement of the Relations which exist between the Inspector-General of Public Works and Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, a subordinate officer of the Public Works Department," with power to call for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Cope, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Walker, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Munro, Mr. S. Fraser, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. MASON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
5. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
6. MR. MUNRO : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Building Societies.
7. MR. HOPKINS : To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 9th instant, from the Council of the Shire of Winchelsea, be referred to the Committee of the whole on "*The Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill.*"
8. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
9. MR. BENT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill, to amend an Act, intituled "*An Act to limit the number of persons holding offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria.*"
10. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
11. MR. WOODS : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
12. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
13. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
14. MR. WOODS : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
15. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.

16. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum ; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
17. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry ; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
18. **DR. MADDEN** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Dog Act 1864.
19. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
20. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
21. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
22. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
23. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
24. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
25. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
26. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office ; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation ; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
27. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
28. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
29. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
30. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies ; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
31. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3 ; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. FENCES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

1. MR. GARRATT: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the prolonged delay in the settlement of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett, as recommended by a Select Committee of this House, and recognized by the late Chief Secretary; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to pay Mr. Bennett the amount recommended by the Committee, and, if so, when.
2. MR. WHITEMAN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to an advertisement in the *Government Gazette* of the 11th instant, relative to the sale of land in Moray street north, Emerald Hill, and to the system hitherto pursued by the Government in leasing lands in that locality; also to the Report of the Commission on Low-lying Lands; and to ask, what course is intended to be pursued in future in disposing of Crown lands on the south bank of the Yarra.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 23rd September.

MR. REGINALD GREEN—at three o'clock.

Thursday 24th September.

THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD SEPTEMBER.

Trust Estates Bill.—[14] As re-reported 17th September. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 48.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[48]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 6.

Report from Select Committee upon Bank of Victoria Act Continuation of Powers Bill; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*)

Bank of Victoria Act Continuation of Powers Bill. As reported from Select Committee. (*Private.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he is aware that some time ago a regulation was made which precludes officers of his department, who are members of Friendly Societies, from receiving sick pay from such societies and from the Department at the same time ; and if he will consider the propriety of abrogating such rule or regulation.
4. **MR. MUST** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if the Return laid upon the Table, as moved for by the Honorable the member for Belfast, is a return showing the actual import and export trade of the Ports of Warrnambool, Belfast, and Portland.
5. **MR. THOMAS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is legal to charge duty upon a plough brought across the Murray from Albury, it being of Victorian make, and previously used.
6. **MR. WRIXON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if the investigation made by the agents of the department into the nature of the settlement under the Land Laws (referred to in the annual report lately presented to Parliament), and any other sources of information within his reach, would enable him to give an approximate estimate of the proportion of selectors under the Land Acts of 1862, 1865, and 1869, who selected before the 31st December 1870, and who, or whose representatives, now retain possession of their selections.
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9. **MR. PURVES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works to the proposed expenditure in erecting sand barriers at Point Nepean ; and to ask—
 - (1.) Whether any tender has yet been called for.
 - (2.) If not, when tenders will be advertised.
 - (3.) Where tenders will be advertised.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of the Reports of the Local Boards of Health to the Central Board of Health with reference to the Factory Act.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AND RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1873**—Resolution to be reported.
3. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
6. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
7. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.
8. **COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.

2. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That the Sessional Order fixing the days of meeting during the present session be suspended, so far as to enable the House to meet on Friday, the 2nd day of October next.
- Contingent upon the above resolution being carried—*
To move, That this House do meet for the despatch of business on Friday the 2nd day of October next, at four o'clock.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER.

1. MR. LEVIEN : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will afford him an opportunity, on a fixed day, to move the second reading of the Fencing and Impounding Bills.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the per centage cost of collecting the same ; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on an early day*, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
4. MR. CONNOR : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath ; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.
5. MR. WOODS : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the prospecting resolutions be now taken into consideration.
6. MR. GRANT : To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
7. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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3. MR. JOHNSTONE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the dilapidated condition of the State school No. 683, West Geelong; and to ask him when the proposed new building will be commenced.
4. MR. CAMPBELL : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the appointment of Crown Lands Bailiff Maloney to the Horsham district; and to ask what was the result of the investigation recently held at Beaufort with regard to certain charges made by him against magistrates, and what report was made on his previous conduct as a Crown Lands Bailiff by Mr. Inspector Black, in May last.
5. MR. MUST : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs to the Return laid on the Table as moved for by the Honorable the Member for Belfast; and ask him if the said Return be a correct indication of the trade of the ports of Warrnambool, Belfast, and Portland.
6. MR. McLELLAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the great necessity there exists for either amending or repealing the *Civil Service Act* of 1862; and to ask him if he intends to introduce a Bill to secure to the civil servants of Victoria the rights that Act intended to confer upon them.
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WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1874.

1. MR. WRIXON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if he will make provision in the amending Land Act to enable Co-operative Agricultural Associations to select land.
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5. MR. LONGMORE : To call the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands to the case of William Mackinnon, who was refused certain land at Colac ; and to ask what he intends to do in the case.
6. MR. JONES : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the recent policy of the department in regard to mixing of the sexes in State schools ; and ask whether it is intended to extend this practice without consulting teachers in any case.
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8. MR. LOCK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the overcrowded and dilapidated condition of the building at present used for a school-house at Mount Egerton ; and the necessity for the erection of a suitable structure there on the site selected, and gazetted, in May 1873 ; and to ask when such a building will be erected.
9. MR. JOHNSTONE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the dilapidated condition of the State school No. 683, West Geelong ; and to ask him when the proposed new building will be commenced.
10. MR. MUST : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs to the Return laid on the Table as moved for by the Honorable the Member for Belfast ; and ask him if the said return be a correct indication of the trade of the ports of Warrnambool, Belfast, and Portland.
11. MR. CURTAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the proposed retirement, at an early date, of the present Commissioner of Titles ; and to ask if he will consider the advisability of forming the Examiners of Titles into a Board, to which may be submitted any questions of difficulty which the individual Examiners are not clear about, thereby rendering the appointment of a Commissioner at a large salary unnecessary.
12. MR. GARRATT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the prolonged delay in the settlement of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett, as recommended by a Select Committee of this House, and recognized by the late Chief Secretary ; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to pay Mr. Bennett the amount recommended by the Committee, and, if so, when.
13. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to an advertisement in the *Government Gazette* of the 11th instant, relative to the sale of land in Moray street north, Emerald Hill, and to the system hitherto pursued by the Government in leasing lands in that locality ; also to the Report of the Commission on Low-lying Lands ; and to ask, what course is intended to be pursued in future in disposing of Crown lands on the south bank of the Yarra.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That the Report of the Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company called the Bank of Victoria and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now taken into consideration.

NOTICES OF MOTION (Unopposed) :—

1. MR. PATTERSON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing all lands leased for mining purposes in the mining divisions of Castlemaine, Fryer's Creek, and Taradale, in which the labor covenants have not been fulfilled during the past six months, and the periods during which the lands have remained unworked, the dates of such leases, the names of the lessees, the areas leased, the localities of the leases, and any information respecting the non-working of the lands.

2. MR. MASON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing—
- (1.) The number of Professors and Lecturers at the University of Melbourne, giving the name of each person, and the office filled:-----
 - (2.) The total number of hours devoted to lecturing by each professor and lecturer during each year, specifying names.
 - (3.) The amount received by each for lecturing.
 - (4.) The amount received by each from the University for work other than lecturing, and the nature of the work.
 - (5.) The offices (if any) filled by the professors for which they receive payment from the State, and the amount of such latter payment (if any).
 - (6.) The number of persons who have taken each of the degrees named hereunder (omitting *ad eundem* degrees), and the total amount of all fees and payments paid to the University by each person before taking such degree:—B.A., M.A., LL.B., LL.D., M.B., M.D., and C.E.
 - (7.) The least amount to be paid by students (not scholars of the University) before taking each of such degrees.
 - (8.) The maximum amount that has been paid by any person taking any of the above degrees.
 - (9.) Such Return to include the years 1871, 1872, 1873, and 1874.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SERVICE : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to carry out the Resolutions on the Customs Duties agreed to by this House on the 23rd September instant.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
6. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
8. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. MADDEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Dog Act 1864.
2. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the clauses relating to the hours of working prescribed by the "*Customs and Excise Act 1857*."
3. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
4. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865*."
5. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the per centage cost of collecting the same ; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
6. MR. DIXON : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a plan showing the various surveys made between Melbourne and Oakleigh, for the purpose of connecting the Gippsland line of railway with Melbourne.
7. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.
8. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; such Committee to consist of _____ with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
9. MR. PATTERSON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the statement circulated in a pamphlet entitled, "*A Statement of the Relations which exist between the Inspector-General of Public Works and Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, a subordinate officer of the Public Works Department*," with power to call for persons and papers ; such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Cope, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Walker, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Munro, Mr. S. Fraser, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum.
10. MR. MASON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.

11. MR. MUST: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and showing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
12. MR. MUNRO: To move, for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Building Societies.
13. MR. HOPKINS: To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 9th instant, from the Council of the Shire of Winchelsea, be referred to the Committee of the whole on "*The Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill.*"
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15. MR. BENT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill, to amend an Act, intituled "*An Act to limit the number of persons holding offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria.*"
16. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges, against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
17. MR. WOODS: To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
18. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
19. MR. WOODS: To move, That in the opinion of this House—
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 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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21. MR. McLELLAN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrows, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
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23. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit; three to form a quorum.
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25. MR. F. L. SMYTH: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
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27. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.

28. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
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THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That it be referred to the Committee of Standing Orders to consider and report on the propriety of rescinding the Standing Orders Nos. 274, 275, 276, and the first portion of 277 relating to said orders, and of framing a Standing Order conformable to the Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 28th July 1870.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.

FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WOODS**: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £50,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 for prospecting for coal and gold.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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 - (1.) That in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
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THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at half-past one o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 25TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 23.
Supernumeraries and Non-Classified Clerks in the Government Service—Return. A 3.
Judicature Bill.—[21] As reported 24th September. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 51.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[51]
Report from Select Committee upon Mr. Reginald Green; with Proceedings of Committee,
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1874.

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 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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20. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
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23. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
24. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
25. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
26. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
27. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
28. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
29. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
30. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended, as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.

31. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
32. MR. WRIXON : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee
5. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. MACBAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the circumstance that nothing has been done in the erection of a school-house at Dimboola, for which tenders were called about three months ago ; and to ask when the necessary steps will be taken to proceed with the building.
2. DR. MADDEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction if he will take steps to organize a school, or schools, in connection with the State schools, for the purpose of affording to the children of the poorer classes facilities for qualifying themselves to matriculate at the University.
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Government Business.

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General Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. PURVES:** To move, That the Report of the Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled, "*A Bill to continue the powers of an Act intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Proprietors of a certain Banking Company, called the Bank of Victoria and for other purposes therein mentioned,'*" be now taken into consideration.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GRANT:** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.

FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER.

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 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 24.
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Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1873-4. No. 63. (To Members of both Houses.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. **MR. MUNRO** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the fact that a quantity of from 50 to 100 tons of gunpowder is at present stored in the Royal Park Magazine which is within an eighth of a mile of several private houses, in a locality which is likely to be densely populated within an early period, thus endangering the lives and property of a large proportion of the inhabitants of North Carlton, Brunswick, and Hotham; and to ask if the Government contemplate the early removal of the said Magazine to a safe locality.
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General Business.

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General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 2ND OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 24.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 54.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[54]

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1873-4. No. 63. (Issue completed.)

Ninth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; with the Annual Reports of the Government Astronomer for the years 1873 and 1874. No. 75.

Appeals to Privy Council—Copy Despatch, &c. No. 81.

Trust Estates Bill.—[14] From Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Market Laws Amendment Bill.—[31]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1874.

1. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General if he is aware that several warders at the Yarra Bend Asylum have not received their annual increment, the same being due some time past.
2. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the additional expense likely to be incurred if tenders be called only for the two end sections of the Gippsland Railway ; and to ask if he will defer calling for tenders until the survey of the middle section is completed, so that tenders can be called for the whole at once.
3. **MR. R. MURRAY SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs if it is a fact that Messrs. Cochrane and Brien recently endeavoured to pass entries for goods under their market value in the following manner :—
 - (1.) That Duke's picked match cricket balls, the fixed price of which is 60s. per dozen, were invoiced and sought to be passed as youths' at 40s. per dozen.
 - (2.) That Cobbett's men's cricket bats were invoiced and sought to be passed as youths'.
 - (3.) That men's dressed cotton half hose, valued by competent persons as worth 7s. 3d. per dozen, were invoiced and sought to be passed at 5s. per dozen.
 - (4.) That Cochrane and Brien sought to pass a case of standard frillings, and that upon opening the package a trade list of the goods was found at prices considerably higher than those charged in the invoice produced to the Customs.
 - (5.) Have the goods in question been forfeited.
 - (6.) What fine has been imposed upon Messrs. Cochrane and Brien.
4. **MR. PATTERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to a notice of motion for the appointment of a Select Committee which appears on the Notice Paper standing in his name ; and to ask him, if he is aware that since such notice was published, action has been taken by the Commissioner of Public Works which is calculated to prejudice one of the parties concerned if the Assembly appoints such Select Committee.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all the correspondence that has taken place between the Honorable the Attorney-General and D. M. Barry, on the subject of Mr. Barry's Petition to Parliament, since the 1st of October.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Resolution to be reported.
2. CUSTOMS DUTIES ALTERATION BILL—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
7. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
8. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
10. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

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5. DR. MADDEN : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Dog Act 1864.
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- MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
8. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865.*"
9. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the per centage cost of collecting the same; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
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11. MAJOR W. C. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
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13. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
14. MR. MUNRO : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the law relating to Building Societies.
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17. MR. BENT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill, to amend an Act, intituled "*An Act to limit the number of persons holding offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria.*"
18. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
19. MR. WOODS : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
20. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
21. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive; increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
22. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
23. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes, in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown; such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrows, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.

24. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry ; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
25. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
26. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
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 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs, in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
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31. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SCIENTIFIC MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. CONSTITUTIONAL INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
8. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

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TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. MUNRO : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the fact that a quantity of from 50 to 100 tons of gunpowder is at present stored in the Royal Park Magazine which is within an eighth of a mile of several private houses, in a locality which is likely to be densely populated within an early period, thus endangering the lives and property of a large proportion of the inhabitants of North Carlton, Brunswick, and Hotham ; and to ask if the Government contemplate the early removal of the said Magazine to a safe locality.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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THE O'FERRALL FRAUDS—at three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 8TH OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 25.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 55.

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Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill—Message. B.—No. 7.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
4. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
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General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That in the opinion of this House any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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Private Bill Business.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
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General Business.

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 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
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3. MR. MASON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. GRANT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
5. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
6. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That it be referred to the Committee of Standing Orders to consider and report on the propriety of rescinding the Standing Orders Nos. 274, 275, 276, and the first portion of 277 relating to said orders, and of framing a Standing Order conformable to the Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 28th July 1870.
7. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the sale of the land in Moray street north, as advertised in the *Gazette* of the 11th September 1874, is highly undesirable until provision is made for the flood waters, and having in view the recommendation and reports of Colonel Sankey and the Commission on Low-lying Lands.

8. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the clauses relating to the hours of working prescribed by the "*Customs and Excise Act 1857.*"
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1874.

1. MR. GODFREY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the large number of shanties where sly-grog selling is carried on at the Yan Yean Water Works, near Morang ; and to ask if the Government will take steps to put a stop to this practice.
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 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
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24. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes, in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum ; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
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27. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
28. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
29. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
30. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
31. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
32. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
33. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office ; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation ; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
34. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridge tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrietville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrietville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
35. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
36. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
37. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies ; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
38. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3 ; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
2. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
3. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
6. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
7. POUNDS STAT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. FENCES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
10. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. CREWS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways if certain statements made by a correspondent to the *Argus* of 5th September, are correct—"That a large amount of waste forgings, consisting of parts of valve motion, rocking shafts, and other forgings used in the construction of locomotives, have been sent to Williamstown from Ballarat;" and if such forgings were "wasted" from the first or second contract taken by the Phoenix Company, Ballarat.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
3. MR. CONNOR : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.
4. MR. GRANT : To move, *on an early day*—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
5. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
6. MR. WOODS : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, all libraries, museums, picture galleries, public parks, and botanical gardens, which are supported wholly, or in part, out of the general revenue, should be open to the public every day from ten a.m. until a suitable hour in the evening.
7. DR. MADDEN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply on the vote for the Education Department*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
8. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply—Education Estimates*—That, in the opinion of this House, the curriculum of common schools in this colony should be conformed, as far as possible, to that adopted by the public common schools in England, viz. :—
 (1.) Reading, writing and arithmetic, English grammar and composition, with book-keeping and mensuration in senior boys' schools.
 (2.) Systematized object lessons with a course of elementary instruction in physical science, serving as an introduction to the science examinations conducted by the science and art department.
 (3.) Elementary geography.
 (4.) Elementary social economy.
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1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
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General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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 - (6.) Music and drill.
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5. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the delay in commencing the construction of the line of Railway from Ararat to Hamilton; and to ask when he will call for tenders for the first section.
6. **MR. F. L. SMYTH**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the delay of the Mail at Glenelg; and to ask him if it is his intention to communicate with the Chief Secretary or Postmaster-General of South Australia with a view to provide against future delays.
7. **MR. JONES**: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if the salaries of unclassified officers set forth in a return recently presented to Parliament, are the salaries actually paid during the first six months of the present year, and are those now being paid to the officers mentioned, and if not, in what respects does the return differ from the actual payment.
8. **DR. MADDEN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a petition from one William Bow, presented to the House by the Honorable Member for Williamstown; and to ask if any action will be taken in the matter.
9. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the late trial of Mr. G. Butchart; and to ask if he is still confined in Her Majesty's Gaol, and, if so, whether, under the circumstances, he will take steps to insure his speedy release.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. CONNOR**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing all applications from authorized surveyors under *The Land Act 1869*, the area, and when applied for in each case, the locality, and how dealt with by Local Land Boards, and by the Honorable the Minister of Lands.

Government Business.

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1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
6. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
8. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

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1. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL**: To move, That this House is of opinion—
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 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
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TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

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1. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST OCTOBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 27.
Building Societies Bill.—[35] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 61.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[61]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 8.

Progress Report from Select Committee upon the O'Ferrall-Frauds ; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. D.—No. 6.

Judicature Bill.—[21] From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Dog Act Amendment Bill.—[34]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER 1874.

1. MR. COPPIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the Notice Paper ; and to ask him to fix some time to take into consideration the 31st notice of motion.
2. MR. WOODS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the great loss and inconvenience to which the inhabitants of Stawell, Glenorchy, and a very thickly populated surrounding district are subjected in consequence of the present imperfect postal arrangements ; and to ask if he will place the carriage of the mails on a more satisfactory footing.
3. DR. MADDEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a petition from one William Bow, presented to the House by the Honorable Member for Williamstown ; and to ask if any action will be taken in the matter.
4. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the late trial of Mr. G. Butchart ; and to ask if he is still confined in Her Majesty's Gaol, and, if so, whether, under the circumstances, he will take steps to insure his speedy release.
5. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the circumstance that the plans and specifications for the 1st and 3rd sections of the Gippsland Railway have not yet been sent to the Land Office, Sale, according to the *Gazette* ; and to ask when they will be sent.

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 - (1.) All tonnage received and despatched from Lancefield Road and Woodend Stations for six months ending 1st October 1874.
 - (2.) Copy of the Surveyor's Report of the projected line of Railway to Lancefield.
2. MR. CONNOR : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing all applications from authorized surveyors under *The Land Act 1869*, the area, and when applied for in each case, the locality, and how dealt with by Local Land Boards, and by the Honorable the Minister of Lands.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
7. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. MINING OR PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
9. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

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2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
3. MR. MASON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. GRANT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
5. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.

6. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That it be referred to the Committee of Standing Orders to consider and report on the propriety of rescinding the Standing Orders Nos. 274, 275, 276, and the first portion of 277 relating to said orders, and of framing a Standing Order conformable to the Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 28th July 1870.
7. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, the sale of the land in Moray street north, as advertised in the *Gazette* of the 11th September 1874, is highly undesirable until provision is made for the flood waters, and having in view the recommendation and reports of Colonel Sankey and the Commission on Low-lying Lands.
8. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move to bring in a Bill to amend the clauses relating to the hours of working prescribed by the "*Customs and Excise Act 1857*."
9. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
10. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865*."
11. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the percentage cost of collecting the same; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
12. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.
13. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
14. **MR. PATTERSON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the statement circulated in a pamphlet entitled, "A Statement of the Relations which exist between the Inspector-General of Public Works and Mr. Thomas Andrews Eaton, a subordinate officer of the Public Works Department," with power to call for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Cope, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Walker, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Munro, Mr. S. Fraser, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
15. **MR. MUST** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
16. **MR. HOPKINS** : To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 9th instant, from the Council of the Shire of Winchelsea, be referred to the Committee of the whole on "*The Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill*."
17. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
18. **MR. BENT** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill, to amend an Act, intituled "*An Act to limit the number of persons holding offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria*."
19. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
20. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
21. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
22. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
23. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
24. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.

25. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry ; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
26. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
27. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
28. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
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30. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
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 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
32. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

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 - (3.) Elementary geography.
 - (4.) Elementary social economy.
 - (5.) Elementary drawing.
 - (6.) Music and drill.
8. MR. BERRY : To move, *on the third reading of the Local Government Bill*, the following addition to the 260th section :—

“Provided further that vines fruit trees hopplants and growing crops generally shall not be included in the net annual value nor assessed as part of the capital value of rateable property.”

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND OCTOBER.

Building Societies Bill.—[35] (Issue completed.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 62.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[62]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. MR. LANGRIDGE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the urgent necessity which exists for an amendment of the 'Friendly Societies Statute'; and to ask whether the Government will at once appoint a Royal Commission upon the subject, with a view to the introduction of a Bill dealing with the matter.
4. MR. LOCK : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General whether he will make provision, during the current year, for the extension of telegraphic communication to Piggoreet, being a distance of one mile only from the line of wire to Rokewood; and also to Carngham, *via* Smythesdale, a distance of seven miles only.
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27. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
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30. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
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33. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erections of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
34. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
35. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.

36. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies ; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
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1. OPENING OF LIBRARIES, MUSEUMS, ETC., ON SUNDAYS.—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
2. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
3. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
4. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
7. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
8. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
11. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. **MR. PURVES** : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
3. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the Cape Otway Forest Reserve (190,000 acres) ought to be reduced by four square miles around Apollo Bay, three around Cape Otway, three at Addis Bay, and one on each side of the track recently cut by Major Heath ; and that these portions of the reserve should be opened for selection.
4. **MR. GRANT** : To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
5. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
6. **DR. MADDEN** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply on the vote for the Education Department*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
7. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply—Education Estimates*—That, in the opinion of this House, the curriculum of common schools in this colony should be conformed, as far as possible, to that adopted by the public common schools in England, viz. :—
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 - (3.) Elementary geography.
 - (4.) Elementary social economy.
 - (5.) Elementary drawing.
 - (6.) Music and drill.
8. **MR. BERRY** : To move, *on the third reading of the Local Government Bill*, the following addition to the 260th section :—

"Provided further that vines fruit trees hop plants and growing crops generally shall not be included in the net annual value nor assessed as part of the capital value of rateable property."
9. **MR. GODFREY** : To move, *upon the recommittal of the Local Government Bill*, the addition of the following words to clause 260 :—

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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 27.

Report from Select Committee of Legislative Assembly upon the Bank of Victoria Act Continuation of Powers Bill, with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence. (*Private.*) (To Members of Council only.)

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 - (1.) Whether a sum of £308 18s. 4d., or any other sum, was placed on the Estimates and paid to Harding and Pearce, two of the abovenamed defendants, after they had been found guilty in the Supreme Court of libelling Sergeant Power.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at three o'clock.

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 3rd November.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH OCTOBER.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 65.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[65]

Immigration—Petition. E.—No. 5.

Savings Banks—Statements and Returns for the year ending 30th June 1874. No. 82.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SERVICE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Public Works Loan Act 1872.*"

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14. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
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20. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
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22. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
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24. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit; three to form a quorum.
25. MR. LOCK : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.

26. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.
27. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
28. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
29. MR. COPPIN : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
30. MR. W. CLARKE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
31. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
32. MR. WITT : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
33. MR. WRIXON : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
34. MR. WRIXON : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.
2. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
3. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
5. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
6. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
9. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

1. MR. COPPIN : To ask the Honorable the Premier, if it is the intention of the Government to introduce a Bill during the present session of Parliament to amend the Licensed Victuallers Act.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BENT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill, to amend an Act, intituled, "*An Act to limit the number of persons holding offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria.*"

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **TRUST ESTATES BILL**—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WRIXON**: To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. **MR. PURVES**: To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
3. **MR. GRANT**: To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
5. **DR. MADDEN**: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
6. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL**: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*; That, in the opinion of this House, the curriculum of common schools in this colony should be conformed, as far as possible, to that adopted by the public common schools in England, viz. :—
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 - (2.) Systematized object lessons with a course of elementary instruction in physical science, serving as an introduction to the science examinations conducted by the science and art department.
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1. **MR. KERFERD** : To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.
3. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
4. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
6. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
7. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
10. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRANT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. PURVES : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement ; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
3. MR. GRANT : To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
4. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
5. DR. MADDEN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.

6. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the curriculum of common schools in this colony should be conformed, as far as possible, to that adopted by the public common schools in England, viz. :—
- (1.) Reading, writing and arithmetic, English grammar and composition, with book-keeping and mensuration in senior boys' schools.
 - (2.) Systematized object lessons with a course of elementary instruction in physical science, serving as an introduction to the science examinations conducted by the science and art department.
 - (3.) Elementary geography.
 - (4.) Elementary social economy.
 - (5.) Elementary drawing.
 - (6.) Music and drill.
7. MR. BERRY : To move, *on the third reading of the Local Government Bill*, the following addition to the 260th section :—
- “Provided further that vines fruit trees hop plants and growing crops generally shall not be included in the net annual value nor assessed as part of the capital value of ratable property.”
8. MR. GODFREY : To move, *upon the recommittal of the Local Government Bill*, the addition of the following words to clause 260 :—
- “Provided further that in the case of every person occupying (otherwise than under any lease) Crown lands for pastoral purposes only, the above proviso shall not be of effect, but the valuation of the lands so occupied shall be computed at the actual rent paid to the Crown for the same.”
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1874.

1. MR. GARRATT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to certain rumors and statements with reference to the unsuitability and inefficiency of the Great Equatorial Telescope at the Melbourne Observatory ; and to ask if he is in possession of communications from scientific men in Europe entirely at variance with these rumors and statements ; and, if so, whether he will cause such communications to be made public.
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5. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the resolutions on the Notice Paper respecting the teachers in State schools ; and to inquire whether an opportunity of bringing them forward at an early date will be allowed by the Government.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
2. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.
5. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
7. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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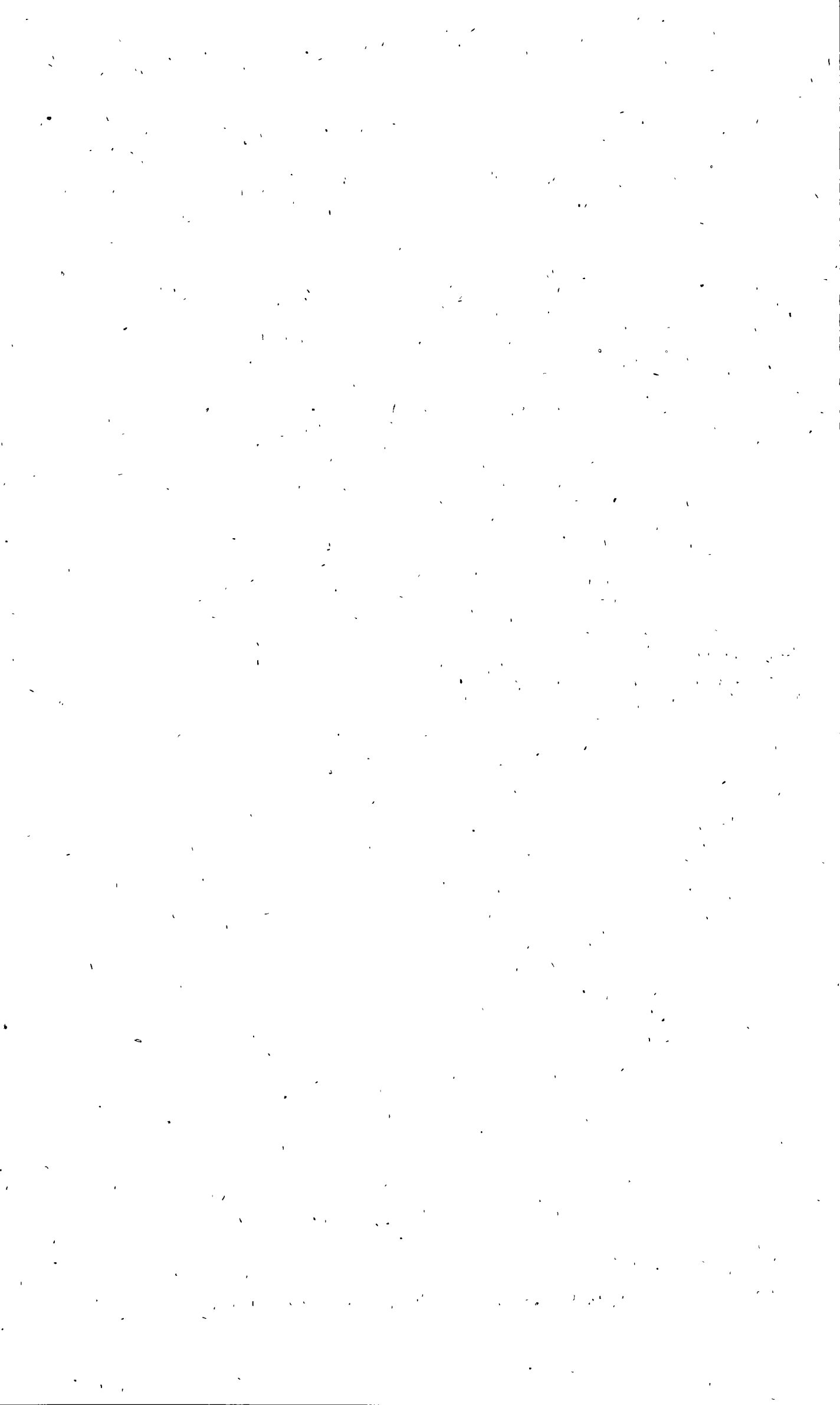
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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 68.

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Report upon Condition of H.M.V.S. *Nelson* and H.M.V.S. *Cerberus*, by Commodore Goodenough.
No. 85.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1874.

1. MR. LALOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the application of Mr. Cadogan for a lease, for mining purposes, of certain lands at Elaine ; and to ask what steps he intends to take in the matter.
2. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a published document purporting to be a copy of a despatch addressed to Sir Hercules Robinson by Earl Carnarvon, and to inquire :—
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
2. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.
5. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
7. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
8. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
10. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRANT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing, under separate heads, all income derived from lands, railways, and re-productive public works, and all expenditure during the year 1873-4 on permanent improvements, railways, and similar undertakings, including endowments and subsidies to local bodies, and the cost of school buildings.
3. MR. BENT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill, to amend an Act, intituled "*An Act to limit the number of persons holding offices under the Crown who may sit and vote in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria.*"
4. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To move, That it be referred to the Committee of Standing Orders to consider and report on the propriety of rescinding the Standing Orders Nos. 274, 275, 276, and the first portion of 277 relating to said orders, and of framing a Standing Order conformable to the Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 28th July 1870.
5. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions—
 - (1.) That it was a part of the design of the Legislature in enacting the Education Act, that the *status* of all teachers engaged in free primary education should be improved by their admission as officers of the State into the Public Service ; that all the salaries, except the highest, of the teachers employed in Common Schools, and admitted into the Public Service, should be maintained under the new system without reduction ; and that provision should be made for securing to the teachers in State Schools the benefit of retiring allowances in like manner, and to the same extent, as might from time to time be made in favour of public servants in the other departments of the State.
 - (2.) That it is expedient and proper, in the opinion of this House, that such design should be carried into effect without delay, and that pending the adoption of means by supplemental legislation and by an applied code of approved regulations for giving complete and permanent effect to the intention of Parliament, temporary provision should be fully made for the above purposes, as from the 1st day of January, 1874.
 - (3.) That an address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will cause a sum of money to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5 for the purpose of carrying out the above objects.

6. MR. TUCKER : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to afford facilities to the industrious classes of this colony for effecting life assurances, through the medium of the Post Office, by a system similar to that at present in operation in Great Britain, and enacted by the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 43.
7. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount paid by Civil Servants in each Report, annually, for fidelity guarantee, and the names of the offices in which the assurances are effected.
8. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
9. MR. MASON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
10. MR. GRANT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
11. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
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18. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
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10. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

1. **MR. WITT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the continued delay in accepting tenders for the erection of a State school at Enoch's Point ; and ask him when the contract will be entered into for the erection of the proposed school.
2. **MR. DUFFY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the want of a Money Order Office at Gobur ; and ask him if he will supply such want.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that a sufficient sum be put on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 to place the members of the Police Force who have entered the service since the 18th May 1870 on a level, as to pay, with the members of the Force who have entered the Force prior to the above date.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **TRUST ESTATES BILL**—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER.

1. **MR. GARRATT** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to certain rumors and statements with reference to the unsuitability and inefficiency of the Great Equatorial Telescope at the Melbourne Observatory ; and to ask if he is in possession of communications from scientific men in Europe entirely at variance with these rumors and statements ; and, if so, whether he will cause such communications to be made public.

General Business.

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1. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £3,000 to be placed upon an additional estimate as a grant-in-aid to the Ballarat School of Mines in accordance with the recommendation to the Secretary of Mines.

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Wednesday, 11th November.

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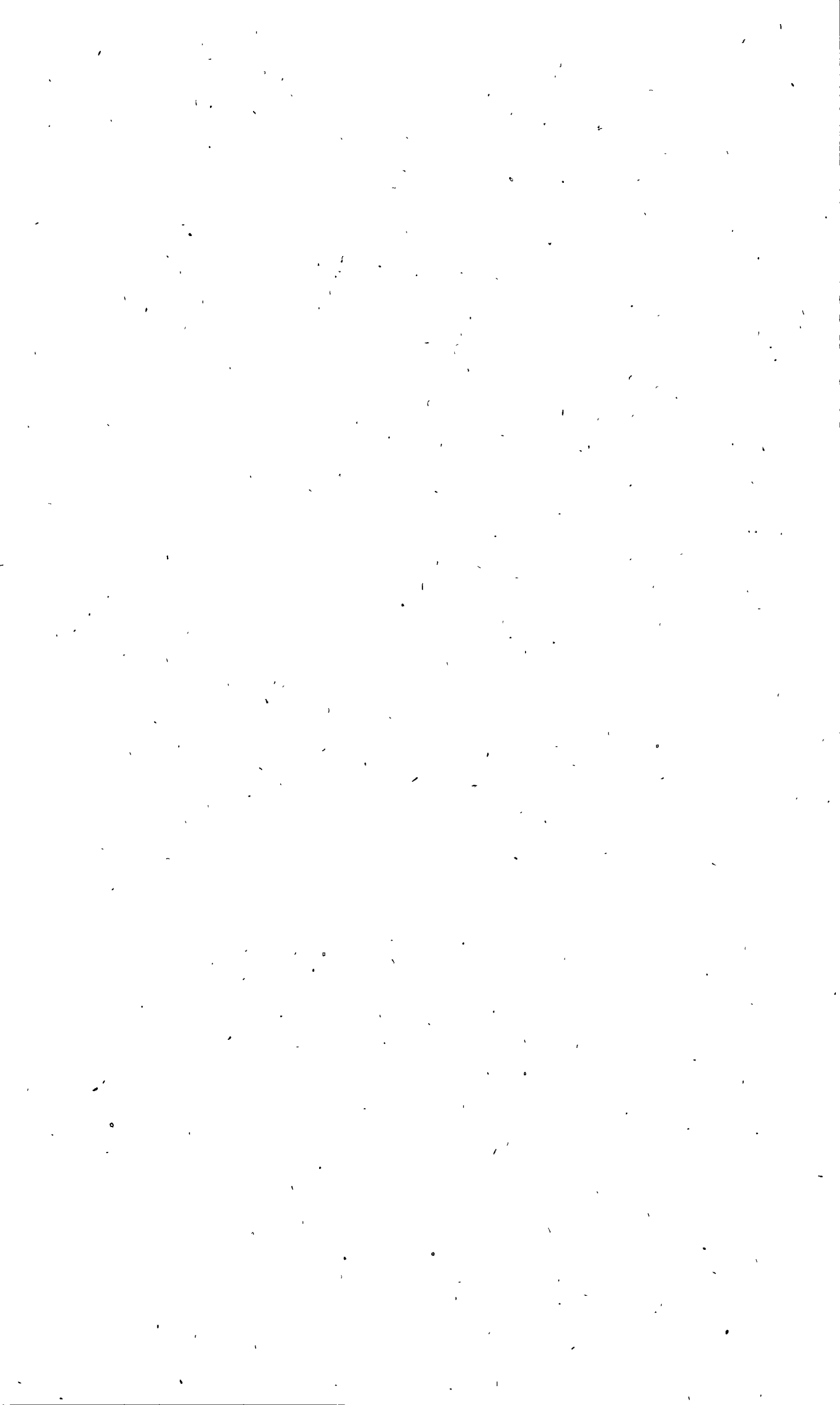
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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 - (3.) That an address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will cause a sum of money to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5 for the purpose of carrying out the above objects.

8. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to afford facilities to the industrious classes of this colony for effecting life assurances, through the medium of the Post Office, by a system similar to that at present in operation in Great Britain, and enacted by the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 43.
9. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount paid by Civil Servants in each department, annually, for fidelity guarantee, and the names of the offices in which the assurances are effected.
10. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, That this House is of opinion—
- (1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.
 - (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
 - (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in the future, be.
11. **MR. MASON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
12. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
13. **MR. GARRATT** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
14. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
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16. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the percentage cost of collecting the same ; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
17. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.
18. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
19. **MR. MUST** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
20. **MR. HOPKINS** : To move, That the Petition presented to this House on the 9th instant, from the Council of the Shire of Winchelsea, be referred to the Committee of the whole on "*The Local Government Laws Consolidation and Amendment Bill.*"
21. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
22. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
23. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
24. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
25. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
26. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.

27. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrows, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum ; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry ; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
29. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
30. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
31. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
32. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
33. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
34. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
35. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office ; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation ; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
36. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle-tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
37. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
38. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
2. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.
4. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
7. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
8. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
11. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER.

1. MR. GARRATT : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to certain rumors and statements with reference to the unsuitability and inefficiency of the Great Equatorial Telescope at the Melbourne Observatory ; and to ask if he is in possession of communications from scientific men in Europe entirely at variance with these rumors and statements ; and, if so, whether he will cause such communications to be made public.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. THE CUSTOMS ACT 1857 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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3. MR. GRANT : To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
4. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
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 34. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
 35. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. THE CUSTOMS ACT 1857 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
3. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

4. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—Second reading.
5. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
6. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
8. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
9. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
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WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

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THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. PURVES: To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
3. MR. GRANT: To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
4. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
5. DR. MADDEN: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
6. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, the curriculum of common schools in this colony should be conformed, as far as possible, to that adopted by the public common schools in England, viz. :—
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 - (2.) Systematized object lessons with a course of elementary instruction in physical science, serving as an introduction to the science examinations conducted by the science and art department.
 - (3.) Elementary geography.
 - (4.) Elementary social economy.
 - (5.) Elementary drawing.
 - (6.) Music and drill.
7. MR. CONNOR: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of Mr. Ivey's Report on the Cape Otway State Forest.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

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1. **MR. MCLELLAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Education—
 - (1.) If the whole of the sum voted for the erection of schools has been expended already.
 - (2.) If plans and specifications have been prepared and tenders called for a considerable number of school buildings for which there is no money available.
 - (3.) If it is his intention to ask for a Supplementary Vote to enable him to keep faith with the public in cases where unconditional promises have been given that school buildings would be provided.
 - (4.) If it is not his intention to provide funds for the erection of schools in all localities where they may be urgently required.
2. **DR. MADDEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the cases of *Power v. Harding*, and *Power v. Pearce* ; and to ask, if in these cases, or either of them, the Crown guaranteed and paid the whole cost of suit of the defendant ; and, if so, under what circumstances was such a course taken.
3. **MR. WRIXON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, if the Board appointed under the Civil Service Act to inquire into the relations existing between Mr. Elderton, the Pay Clerk in the Railway Department, and his subordinate, Mr. Birkmyre, has yet made its report ; and, if so, when such report was forwarded to him, and whether it has yet been laid before the Governor in Council.
4. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the relations that exist between this colony and New South Wales ; and ask what steps he intends to take in the matter.
5. **MR. BAYLES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if it is the intention of the Educational Department to put the school building at Purdeet into repair.
6. **MR. PATTERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of school accommodation at Strathloddon, where children are being taught in the open air ; and to ask when a suitable building will be erected.
7. **MR. DUFFY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the want of a Licensing Agent at Trentham ; and ask him if he will appoint one.
8. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the necessity of a further sum being voted for school buildings, as admitted by the Minister of Public Instruction ; and to ask when he will ask the House to vote the necessary amount.
9. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a published document purporting to be a copy of a despatch addressed to Sir Hercules Robinson by Earl Carnarvon, and to inquire :—
 - (1.) Whether Her Majesty's Government for Victoria has been invited by Her Majesty's Imperial Government to assent to the proposal that Victoria, in conjunction with New South Wales, New Zealand, and Queensland, should contribute the sum of £4,000 a year towards the expenses of the Colonial Government of Fiji ; and
 - (2.) If such an invitation has been received, when and in what form the decision of the Legislative Assembly on the subject will be asked for, before an answer is returned to London.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. PUBLIC WORKS' LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
4. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.
5. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
7. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
8. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
10. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
11. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL—Second reading.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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3. **MR. GRANT**: To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
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 - (4.) Elementary social economy.
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 - (6.) Music and drill.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. **MR. COPPIN:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to a promise made by the Government to the Kilcunda Coal Mining Company at Cape Patterson, that, upon raising five thousand tons of coal, they shall be entitled to receive £5000; and to ask if any provision has been made for the payment of the money.
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3. **MR. CAMERON:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the continued delay in not providing better school accommodation at Eltham, New-school, Yea Road (near Whittlesea), Dickson's Creek, Hoddle's Creek, and Warburton; and to ask him if he has any intention to provide those places with schools, and, if so, when.
4. **MR. WOODS:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the action of the Education Department, in reference to the often-promised school at St. Arnaud; and to ask, what possible object the Educational Department could have had in view, in leading the people of St. Arnaud, through their representatives, to believe that school accommodation would at once be provided for their children.
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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. MACKAY:** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the Estimate of Expenditure proposed to be incurred for the purposes of Water Supply to the Castlemaine and Sandhurst Districts, and the Town of Geelong, during the year ending 30th June 1875.
2. **MR. MACKAY:** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the Estimate of Expenditure for Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies, under the *Public Works Loan Act 1872*, during the year ending 30th June 1875.

Government Business.

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1. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
3. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.
4. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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6. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
7. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
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4. **MR. LOCK:** To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £3,000 to be placed upon an additional estimate as a grant-in-aid to the Ballarat School of Mines in accordance with the recommendation to the Secretary of Mines.
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6. **MR. GRANT:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.
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8. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions—
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Government Business.

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1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Further proceedings on Third reading.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
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6. MR. CONNOR : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of Mr. Ivey's Report on the Cape Otway State Forest.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. JAMES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the want of passenger carriages ; and to ask whether it is his intention either to call for tenders or to authorize the building of more in the Government workshops, so as to meet the public requirements.
2. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the connection of country roads with railway stations ; and to ask if he will undertake to employ competent officers to examine and report upon such roads, with a view to their rectification and improvement.
3. **MR. BAYLES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the necessity of having the school building at Purdeet put into repair ; and to ask him whether he will cause the necessary repairs to be made.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—Further proceedings on third reading.
3. **MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.
4. **JUDICATURE BILL**—Second reading.
5. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACTS 1868 AND 1872—WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE**—To be considered in Committee.
6. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872—ESTIMATE FOR SALARIES, ETC.**—To be considered in Committee.
7. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
8. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
10. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
11. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
12. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
13. **COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL**—Second reading.
14. **NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL**—Second reading.
15. **BUILDING SOCIETIES BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
2. **DR. MADDEN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £5,000 to be placed on an Additional Estimate, as a grant to enable the Shire of Wyndham to complete the construction of the main road from Little River to Footscray.
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4. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £3,000 to be placed upon an additional estimate as a grant-in-aid to the Ballarat School of Mines in accordance with the recommendation to the Secretary of Mines.
5. **MR. DUFFY** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £3,250 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 as a special grant towards the erection of the Bridge over the Goulburn at Molesworth.
6. **MR. GRANT** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.
7. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing, under separate heads, all income derived from lands, railways, and re-productive public works, and all expenditure during the year 1873-4 on permanent improvements, railways, and similar undertakings, with interest thereon, including endowments and subsidies to local bodies, and the cost of school buildings.
8. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to afford facilities to the industrious classes of this colony for effecting life assurances, through the medium of the Post Office, by a system similar to that at present in operation in Great Britain, and enacted by the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 43.
9. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount paid by Civil Servants in each department, annually, for fidelity guarantee, and the names of the offices in which the assurances are effected.
10. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, That this House is of opinion—
(1.) That the conditions of selection under the Land Act of 1869 have been so varied and broken through with regard to residence and non-residence, and in other ways, that it has become necessary to amend that Act in this respect, so as to prevent the continued demoralization of the country.

- (2.) That this object would be best effected under a system which would provide for selection with and for selection without residence, so that the resident should obtain land on more favorable terms than the non-resident selector, with a clear title in either case.
- (3.) That Crown lands should, for the future, be valued as ordinary or special lands, in order that the State may obtain a fair consideration in any case.
11. MR. GRANT : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
12. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
13. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
14. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865.*"
15. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the percentage cost of collecting the same ; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
16. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.
17. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
18. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
19. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
20. MR. WOODS : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
21. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
22. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
23. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
24. MR. McLELLAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum ; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
25. MR. WOODS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry ; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
26. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Henry William Lyte, whose Petition was presented to this House on the 25th of August last, such Committee to consist of Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Connor, Mr. Jones, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Mason, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. McLellan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to meet on days when the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
27. MR. LOCK : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.

28. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
29. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
30. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
31. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
32. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
33. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *vid* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
34. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
35. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
36. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
37. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. THE CUSTOMS ACT 1857 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
6. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
7. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
10. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions—
 (1.) That it was a part of the design of the Legislature in enacting the Education Act, that the *status* of all teachers engaged in free primary education should be improved by their admission as officers of the State into the Public Service; that all the salaries, except the highest, of the teachers employed in Common Schools, and admitted into the Public Service, should be maintained under the new system without reduction; and that provision should be made for securing to the teachers in State Schools the benefit of retiring allowances in like manner, and to the same extent, as might from time to time be made in favour of public servants in the other departments of the State.
 (2.) That it is expedient and proper, in the opinion of this House, that such design should be carried into effect without delay, and that pending the adoption of means by supplemental legislation and by an applied code of approved regulations for giving complete and permanent effect to the intention of Parliament, temporary provision should be fully made for the above purposes, as from the 1st day of January, 1874.

- (3.) That singing and drawing ought to be taught as free subjects in all State Schools in the centres of population.
- (4.) That an address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will cause a sum of money to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5 for the purpose of carrying out the above objects.

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4. MR. MASON : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury, partially disposed of by a Select Committee of this House in 1869, in reference to the coal fields at Cape Patterson, such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Curtain, Mr. James, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 24th November.

PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH NOVEMBER.

Report of Select Committee on the Constitution of the Legislative Council ; with Proceedings of Committee and Appendices. D 4.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 74.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[74]
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 11 and No. 12.
 Public Works Loan Acts of 1868 and 1872—Water Supply. A.—No. 21.
 Public Works Loan Act 1872—Estimates, &c. A.—No. 22.
 Public Works Loan Bill.—[38] As reported 19th November.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1874.

1. DR. MADDEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the great difficulty experienced by artisans in getting from Essendon and its neighbourhood to their work at Williamstown or Melbourne ; and to ask if he will either cause an additional train to be run, leaving Essendon at about 6.30 a.m., or alter the time of one of the trains at present running, so as to meet this want.
2. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the subject of the proposed establishment of a Labor Bureau ; and to inquire—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have received the report of the Board recently appointed to consider and report upon the question ; and
 - (2.) Whether in the event of the report being favorable to the establishment of a Labor Bureau, the Government are prepared to carry into effect the recommendations of the Board.
3. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to the opinion recently given by the Honorable the Attorney-General in respect to licensees under Sections 19 and 49 of *The Land Act* 1869 ; and to ask him what action (if any) the Government intend to take thereon.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.
3. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.
4. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACTS 1868 AND 1872—WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
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8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
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10. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
12. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL—Second reading.
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30. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That, a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
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33. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
34. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted ; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon ; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1857 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
5. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
6. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
7. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
10. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAB ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
2. MR. PURVES: To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
3. MR. GRANT: To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
4. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
5. DR. MADDEN: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
6. MR. CONNOR: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of Mr. Ivey's Report on the Cape Otway State Forest.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 32.
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 Land Act 1869 Amendment Bill.—[43] (To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1874.

1. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines what provision he has made for carrying out the water supply at St. Arnaud.
2. MR. LONGMORE : To call the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands to the fact that it is reported that a renewal of the pastoral licenses for the Cornelia and Tongaba Runs was not granted on the first day of January last ; and to ask whether such report is true, and, if so, upon what evidence the licenses were suspended or refused, and whether the late licensees have been permitted to occupy the said runs since January without legal right, and without payment of rent.
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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
2. MINING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACTS 1868 AND 1872—WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
4. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872—ESTIMATE FOR SALARIES, ETC.—To be considered in Committee.
5. JUDICATURE BILL—Second reading.
6. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
7. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
8. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
10. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
11. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
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14. BUILDING SOCIETIES BILL—Second reading.

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 - (2.) That it is expedient and proper, in the opinion of this House, that such design should be carried into effect without delay, and that pending the adoption of means by supplemental legislation and by an applied code of approved regulations for giving complete and permanent effect to the intention of Parliament, temporary provision should be fully made for the above purposes, as from the 1st day of January, 1874.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **TRUST ESTATES BILL**—Second reading.
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3. **THE CUSTOMS ACT 1857 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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 - (2.) That this House will not be discharging its duty to the public unless it takes an amending Land Bill into its consideration before the prorogation of Parliament takes place.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **SCAB ACT AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
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4. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 33.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1874.

1. DR. MADDEN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands to the application of Messrs. Reid and MacMeikan to be allowed to occupy, as tenants at will, a site on the river Yarra as a receiving and landing place for their raw and manufactured materials; and to ask if he will reconsider his decision and grant the application.
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3. MR. LANGRIDGE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the fact that two gentlemen in the Post-office have been placed on the classified list this year, contrary to the provisions of the Civil Service Act, and over the heads of those who are their seniors in the service; and to ask if he will inquire into the case.
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5. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the desirability of running the usual Saturday Excursion trains at this season of the year; and to ask him if he intends to carry out such an arrangement this year, and, if so, when.
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7. MR. PURVES : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the suspension of Mr. H. C. A. Elderton, of the Railway Department, and to his promise that he would make a recommendation on Monday last, on the Report of the Board of Inquiry appointed by the Governor in Council to deal with Mr. Elderton's case; and to ask if he has yet forwarded the report to the Governor in Council or has made any recommendation thereon.
8. MR. WHITEMAN : To call the attention of the Government to the dangerous nature of the present approaches to Melbourne from Emerald Hill, the immense traffic thereon, the desirability and positive necessity of an amendment thereof; and to ask the Crown Law Officers whether, in the event of the Government not purchasing the M. and H. B. U. Railway Company's line, it is competent for a private Member to introduce a Bill to amend the present Act of that Company; or, if not, whether the Government will, during the recess, consider and devise the best means to abate the nuisance complained of.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACKAY : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Estimate of Expenditure for 1874-5, under the "*Public Works Loan Act 1872*," for a loan to the Ballarat Water Commission.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACTS 1868 AND 1872—WATER SUPPLY—Resolutions to be reported.
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7. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
8. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
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3. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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13. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
14. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report on the state of land settlement at St. Arnaud.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HIGINBOTHAM: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions—
 - (1.) That it was a part of the design of the Legislature in enacting the Education Act, that the *status* of all teachers engaged in free primary education should be improved by their admission as officers of the State into the Public Service; that all the salaries, except the highest, of the teachers employed in Common Schools, and admitted into the Public Service, should be maintained under the new system without reduction; and that provision should be made for securing to the teachers in State Schools the benefit of retiring allowances in like manner, and to the same extent, as might from time to time be made in favour of public servants in the other departments of the State.
 - (2.) That it is expedient and proper, in the opinion of this House, that such design should be carried into effect without delay, and that pending the adoption of means by supplemental legislation and by an applied code of approved regulations for giving complete and permanent effect to the intention of Parliament, temporary provision should be fully made for the above purposes, as from the 1st day of January, 1874.
 - (3.) That singing and drawing ought to be taught as free subjects in all State Schools in the centres of population.
 - (4.) That an address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will cause a sum of money to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5 for the purpose of carrying out the above objects.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads to the dangerous condition of the road at the Bunyip Bridge, and the risk there is of mail and other traffic being completely stopped ; and to ask if he will take steps to have some substantial repairs effected without delay.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Premier, if he will name an evening for the discussion of the progressive land tax.
3. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Solicitor-General, whether it is his intention to recommend the sum of £95 17s. 6d. being placed upon the Supplementary Estimates to recoup Mr. T. H. Budden, J.P., the said amount having previously been placed upon the Estimates, but withdrawn upon certain accusations having been made which were subsequently disproved.
4. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, whether any provision for the health and common decency at the State schools of St. Arnaud and Landsborough has recently been made, and, if not, if he will take steps at once to rectify the present disgusting practices, into which the children are forced for want of suitable accommodation.
5. **MR. PURVES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the want of railway communication between Western Port and other portions of Mornington and Melbourne ; and to ask whether he will cause a flying survey to be made between Oakleigh and Hastings, and Oakleigh and Mornington, or between Brighton and Hastings, and Brighton and Mornington.
6. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, if he has withdrawn the mining objections against the sale of town allotments in Stawell, or made any arrangements for the sale of such allotments.
7. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Government to the dangerous nature of the present approaches to Melbourne from Emerald Hill, the immense traffic thereon, the desirability and positive necessity of an amendment thereof ; and to ask the Crown Law Officers whether, in the event of the Government not purchasing the M. and H. B. U. Railway Company's line, it is competent for a private Member to introduce a Bill to amend the present Act of that Company ; or, if not, whether the Government will, during the recess, consider and devise the best means to abate the nuisance complained of.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN ACT 1872—BALLARAT WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE—**To be considered in Committee.
2. **JUDICATURE BILL—**Second reading.
3. **COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—**Second reading.
4. **NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL—**Second reading.
5. **BUILDING SOCIETIES BILL—**Second reading.
6. **SUPPLY—**To be further considered in Committee.
7. **LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—**Second reading.
8. **WAYS AND MEANS—**To be further considered in Committee.
9. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—**Third reading—Resumption of debate.
10. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—**Second reading.

General Business.

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1. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report on the state of land settlement at St. Arnaud.
2. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all the available land held by subdivision under the 12th section of the Land Act of 1865, which through forfeiture has reverted to the Crown, showing the names of the original selectors, and with whom subdivided ; together with the extent or quantity, name of parish, and agricultural area.
3. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
4. **MR. GODFREY** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the Report of Mr. Curr, the Chief Inspector of Sheep, furnished by him to the late Chief Secretary on the efficiency of the Staff of that Department.
5. **MR. CURTAIN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Higinbotham, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Munro, Major W. C. Smith, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.
6. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £800 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, to complete the short road between Melbourne and Williamstown.
7. **MR. DUFFY** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £3,250 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 as a special grant towards the erection of the Bridge over the Goulburn at Molesworth.

8. MR. GRANT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.
9. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing, under separate heads, all income derived from lands, railways, and re-productive public works, and all expenditure during the year 1873-4 on permanent improvements, railways, and similar undertakings, with interest thereon, including endowments and subsidies to local bodies, and the cost of school buildings.
10. MR. TUCKER : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to afford facilities to the industrious classes of this colony for effecting life assurances, through the medium of the Post Office, by a system similar to that at present in operation in Great Britain, and enacted by the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 43.
11. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount paid by Civil Servants in each department, annually, for fidelity guarantee, and the names of the offices in which the assurances are effected.
12. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
13. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
14. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865.*"
15. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the percentage cost of collecting the same ; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
16. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warranmbool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
17. MR. CONNOR : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause a sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the erection of a new Post and Telegraph Office at Colac.
18. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
19. MR. WOODS : To move, That singing be included in Schedule A, as one of the free subjects to be taught (where practicable) in all State schools.
20. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
21. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
22. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
23. MR. MCLELLAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum ; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
24. MR. WOODS : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry ; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
25. MR. LOCK : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
26. MR. LANGRIDGE : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"

27. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
28. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
29. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such Committee to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
30. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
31. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrietville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrietville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
32. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
33. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
34. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
35. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SCAB ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. THE CUSTOMS ACT 1857 AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
5. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
6. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
7. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
8. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
9. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
10. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
11. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER.

1. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the slow progress in the survey of the line from Ararat to Hamilton; and to ask if he will issue instructions for the more rapid despatch thereof.
2. **MR. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the delay which has taken place in calling for tenders for the middle section of the Gippsland Railway; and to ask if he can name a date when he will be prepared to accept tenders for its construction.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a resolution of this House referring to direct steam communication with Europe ; and to ask whether the Government will, during the recess, direct their attention to the establishment of a line of steamships, which in return for a subsidy from the State, will undertake to convey, *viâ* the Cape of Good Hope, certain classes of passengers at low rates.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, *on an early day*, That, in the opinion of this House, any proposal for the reform of the representation of the people in Parliament should include a provision for proportional representation in the principal centres of population.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the meeting at Bairnsdale, reported in the *Bairnsdale Courier* of the 28th ultimo, relative to a flying survey of a branch line from Rosedale to Bairnsdale, off the main Gippsland line, with a view for the present to the reservation of the land on both sides of said proposed line ; and to ask if he will cause such survey to be made.
4. MR. JONES : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the promise given by him to have a trial survey for the proposed line of railway from Ballarat to Smythesdale ; and to ask when it is his intention to have such survey made.
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2. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. JUDICATURE BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
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1. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
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4. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. THE CUSTOMS ACT 1857 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
8. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
9. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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Government Business.

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2. CUSTOMS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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8. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
9. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
 (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
4. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
5. DR. MADDEN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 8th December.

MESSRS. BISHOP, KITCHEN, AND OTHERS—at half-past three o'clock.
 PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 36.
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 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 1.
 Public Works Loan Bill.—[38] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)
 Public Works Loan Application Bill.—[44] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 80.
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 Employment of Labor—Report, &c. No. 91.
 Neglected and Criminal Children Bill.—[32] As re-reported 3rd December. (To Members of Assembly only.)
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1874.

1. MR. McLELLAN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the desirability of making some provision for the widow and family of the late Honorable Matthew Hervey ; and to ask him if the Government will take the matter into their consideration.
2. MR. DIXON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the want of greater postal accommodation at St. Kilda ; and to ask whether he will take steps to supply the necessary accommodation.
3. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, when tenders will be invited for the extension of the railway from Ararat to Stawell.
4. MR. R. MURRAY SMITH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the omission of the Hospital for Sick Children from the list of charitable institutions entitled to receive Government aid ; and to ask if he will place on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 a sum not exceeding £600 to recoup the above institution.
5. MR. A. T. CLARK : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the circumstances connected with the firing of a salute from H.M.S.S. "Nelson" on Saturday last ; and to ask, in whose honor, and under what naval regulations or authority, the same took place.
6. MR. MASON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the applications made for a share of the prospecting vote ; and to ask, if he will be prepared, when the question again comes on for discussion, to give the House an outline of his proposed plan of expenditure, and if he will, on considering the matter, give a preference to claims of a national character.
7. MR. WOODS : To ask the Honorable the Premier, if he will name an evening for the discussion of the progressive land tax.
8. MR. LALOR : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 - (1.) Whether it is a fact that Swan Bay is closed against the fishermen for six months, commencing on the 15th of October last.
 - (2.) Whether there is any reason for selecting those particular months in preference to any other.
 - (3.) Whether it is true that after Swan Bay had been closed from 1865 to 1871 there were not less fish in it immediately after being thrown open than before it was closed.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. PURVES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, the Report of the Board, together with the evidence taken in the cases of Messrs. Elderton and Birkmyre, of the Railway Department, and all papers and documents connected therewith.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Report on the state of land settlement at St. Arnaud and Horsham.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SERVICE : To move, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolutions :—
 - (1.) That it is expedient to amend the laws relating to Customs.
 - (2.) That a Bill be brought in to carry out the above resolution.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDING BILL—MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
2. EXPIRING LAW (DISEASES IN STOCK ACT) CONTINUATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. NEGLECTED AND CRIMINAL CHILDREN BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. JUDICATURE BILL—Consideration of Report.
5. COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL—Second reading.
6. BUILDING SOCIETIES BILL—Third reading.
7. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
8. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
10. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.
11. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRANT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the legal profession.
2. MR. WITT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing the names of all persons to whom certificates under section 20 of "The Land Act 1869" have been issued, with the areas selected in each case, and the parish or agricultural district in which such selections are situated.

3. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Report of the Select Committee on the diversion of the River Plenty, presented to this House on the 9th June, 1870.
4. **MR. PURVES** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Messrs. Irons and Co., with reference to their contract for the Alfred Graving Dock, and the losses sustained by them by reason of the introduction of the eight hours system of labour during the term, and pending the completion, of their contract ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant Mr. Hanna, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Curtain, Mr. Inglis, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; three to form a quorum.
5. **MR. GODFREY** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Report of the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green, with a view to its adoption as regards the re-instatement of Mr. Green as Superintendent of Police ; and to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to place, during the present Session, the sum of £1,050 upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, by way of some compensation to Mr. Green, for his deprivation of office and pay, since 1870, as recommended by the Report.
6. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move—
 - (1.) That the Land Act in force at the present time is of a very unsatisfactory character, and ought to be amended without delay.
 - (2.) That this House will not be discharging its duty to the public unless it takes an amending Land Bill into its consideration before the prorogation of Parliament takes place.
7. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
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THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To ask the Honorable the Premier, if he has any objection to consider the propriety of rescinding the Sessional Order against taking fresh business after eleven p.m. during the remainder of the Session.

General Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TEACHERS IN STATE SCHOOLS—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER.

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General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 10th December.

MESSRS. BISHOP, KITCHEN, AND OTHERS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 37.
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 Public Works Loan Act 1872—Accounts of Money raised under.—Return. A 4.
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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 81.
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 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 14.
 The Local Governing Bodies Loan Act 1872 Bill—Message. B.—No. 8.
 Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ended 30th September 1874. No. 84.
 Wardell-cum-Eaton—Report, &c. No. 90.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1874.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. KERFERD** : To move, That so much of the Sessional Order as prohibits the calling on of fresh business after eleven o'clock be read and rescinded, so far as Government business is concerned.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES LOAN ACT 1872 AMENDMENT**—Resolution to be reported.
2. **BUILDING SOCIETIES BILL**—Third reading.
3. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **CUSTOMS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
5. **JUDICATURE BILL**—Consideration of Report.
6. **COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL**—Second reading.
7. **LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
8. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
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10. MR. STEWART : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the claim of Wardle and others in connexion with the Coliban water scheme; such Committee to consist of Mr. MacPherson, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Woods, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
11. MR. CURTAIN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Higinbotham, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Munro, Major W. C. Smith, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.
12. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £800 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, to complete the short road between Melbourne and Williamstown.
13. MR. DUFFY : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £3,250 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 as a special grant towards the erection of the Bridge over the Goulburn at Molesworth.
14. MR. GRANT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.
15. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing, under separate heads, all income derived from lands, railways, and re-productive public works; and all expenditure during the year 1873-4 on permanent improvements, railways, and similar undertakings, with interest thereon, including endowments and subsidies to local bodies, and the cost of school buildings.
16. MR. TUCKER : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to afford facilities to the industrious classes of this colony for effecting life assurances, through the medium of the Post Office, by a system similar to that at present in operation in Great Britain, and enacted by the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 43.
17. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount paid by Civil Servants in each department, annually, for fidelity guarantee, and the names of the offices in which the assurances are effected.
18. MR. GARRATT : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
19. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
20. MR. HIGINBOTHAM : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865.*"
21. MR. TUCKER : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of Customs duties received each year from 1864 to 1873 inclusive, and the percentage cost of collecting the same; also, the value of Victorian manufactured goods exported during the same period, and the kinds of goods so exported.
22. MR. MUST : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
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24. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
25. MR. A. T. CLARK : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
26. MR. WOODS : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction; and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.

27. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated; and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
28. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the letting and cancelling of a contract on the Yan Yean Works to Mr. Barry; such Committee to consist of Dr. Madden, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Grant, Mr. S. Fraser, Mr. Langridge, Mr. Sullivan, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
29. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
30. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
31. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
32. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
- (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.
33. **MR. W. CLARKE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the alienation by the Crown of the land and claim held by, and registered in the name of, "The Rob Roy Gold Mining Company," at Gordon's; such Committee, to consist of Mr. Stewart, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Wm. Fraser, Mr. Jones, Mr. Garratt, Mr. Patterson, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
34. **MR. JONES** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the total expenditure for maintenance of telegraphs for three years immediately preceding the amalgamation of that department with the Post Office; and the total expenditure for three years immediately succeeding the amalgamation; together with the telegraphic revenue for the two periods.
35. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *via* Gaffney's Creek; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.
36. **MR. WRIXON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to further amend "*The Police Offences Statute 1865.*"
37. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that there should be laid upon the Table, each Session, a Return of all Petitions presented during the preceding year to His Excellency the Governor praying for the remission or mitigation of any sentence or penalty judicially imposed where the prayer of such Petition has been in whole or in part granted; such Return to state the name, offence, and sentence, with date, of the person convicted, and the tribunal imposing such sentence, the name or names of those signing or presenting the Petition, and the grounds alleged for remission or mitigation, the report of the judge, magistrate, or justice upon such Petition, the advice tendered to His Excellency by the responsible Minister, and the action taken thereon; and that an Address be presented to His Excellency praying him to cause such Return to be laid upon the Table accordingly.
38. **MR. WITT** : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor, Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies; and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
39. **MR. WITT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all letters, papers, and other documents relating to the claims of the late Mr. John Sullivan, the explorer of the track (now a mail coach road) to the Jordan Gold Fields, known as "Sullivan's Track," during the years 1862-3; also, of all subsequent papers and documents relating thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TEACHERS IN STATE SCHOOLS—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.
2. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. SCAB ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
6. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
7. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
8. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
9. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
12. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

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General Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WOODS : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
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Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 39.

Payment of Members Bill.—[27] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Continuation of an Expiring Law (Diseases in Stock) Bill.—[33] From Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 82.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[82]

Additional Estimates 1874-5—Message. B.—No. 9.

Alfred Graving Dock—Report, &c. No. 93.

Judicature Bill.—[21] As re-reported 9th December. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Customs Law Amendment Bill.—[37]



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Government Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
2. TEACHERS IN STATE SCHOOLS—Resolutions—To be considered in Committee.
3. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
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7. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
8. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
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10. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.
12. MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

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 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAB ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.
2. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That the Report from the Select Committee on the case of Mr. Reginald Green be taken into consideration to-morrow in Committee of the whole Assembly.
3. DR. MADDEN: To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
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Tuesday, 15th December.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. MUNRO** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the unfairness of the conditions under which contractors for Government works are called upon to tender for such works, and to the advertisement published on the subject and signed by upwards of sixty of the leading contracting firms of Victoria, pledging themselves not to tender for any contract which does not contain a clause in the conditions enabling the parties to the contract to appeal in case of dispute, either to arbitration or to the courts of the colony, instead of giving the architect or the Inspector-General, as the case may be, the whole power of deciding every matter in dispute; and to ask if the Commissioner has decided to have such a clause inserted in the conditions of the contract for the section of the Gippsland Railway, to be tendered for on the 18th instant, or otherwise to postpone the opening of the said tenders until some amicable arrangement is made with the contractors.
2. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the arrangement of the trains between Beaufort and Ballarat; and to ask if he will undertake to bring these trains into connection with the trains from Ballarat to Melbourne, so as to facilitate travelling and to carry out improved postal arrangements.
3. **MR. WOODS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the costly and defective state of the Patent Laws; and to ask if he will take them into consideration during the recess.
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5. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, if he will have a set of plans and specifications for the construction of the Railway from Ararat to Stawell sent to Stawell for the convenience of intending tenderers, and to have the same duly advertised.
6. **MR. INGLIS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands to the present state of Swan street extension through Yarra Park; and to ask if it is under the supervision of his department; if so, if he will take steps to put it in a passable state.
7. **MR. WOODS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, if he will state any terms and conditions on which he would authorize the running of excursion trains during the summer months, on the 1st day of the week, between Melbourne and Beaufort and Beaufort and Melbourne.
8. **MR. F. C. MASON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the necessity for establishing a County Court and Court of Mines at Foster; and to ask if he will take steps to supply the want.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **CRIMES AND OFFENCES PREVENTION BILL**.—Second reading.
2. **CUSTOMS LAW AMENDMENT BILL (2)**.—Consideration of Report.
3. **SUPPLY**.—Resolutions to be reported.
4. **COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL**.—Second reading.
5. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL**.—Second reading.
7. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**.—Third reading.—Resumption of debate.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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3. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. COPE: To draw the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to a Memorial which was presented to the Department by the Glenelg Shire Council, and the inhabitants of Merino, asking for telegraphic communication for that place to connect Merino with the main telegraph line either at Casterton or Coleraine; and to ask him if any steps have been taken for carrying out the prayer of the Memorial, and, if not, if it is the intention of the department to do so at an early period.
2. MR. MACBAIN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the division of the public and departmental accounts between the various banks; and to ask what principle has been adopted in allocating such accounts, and if the public and departmental accounts are equally divided between the ten banks of issue.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 11TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 40 and No. 41.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 41 and No. 42.
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 84.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[84].
Mining Leases, &c.—Return. C.—No. 17.
Papers relating to the Boundary Line between South Australia and Victoria. No. 92.
The Land Act 1869—Regulations. No. 94.
Life Assurance Companies Act Amendment Bill.—[11] (To Members of Assembly only.)
Crimes and Offences Prevention Bill.—[19]. From Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)
Local Governing Bodies Loan Act Amendment Bill.—[24] (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. **MR. G. PATON SMITH**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to certain facts in connection with the establishment of a Post Office at Nagambie, and the conduct of the Postmaster thereof; and to ask whether the Government will grant a board of inquiry to investigate the circumstances.
5. **DR. MADDEN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the condition of the State school at Melton, and to the application of the Local Board of Advice to have a residence erected for the schoolmaster adjoining the school-house; and to ask if he will cause the application to be granted.
6. **MR. JAMES**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the request of several Fire Brigades for the free transit of members and apparatus at the annual demonstration; and to ask whether it is his intention to grant the same privilege as was given in May last.
7. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the inconvenience experienced by the legal profession under the present system of payment of Supreme Court fees by stamps, owing to the want of accommodation for their sale; and to ask whether he will afford further facility for the purchase of such stamps from the officers of the department.
8. **MR. A. T. CLARK**: To call the attention of the Government to certain recommendations of a Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the alleged silting-up of the Bay; and ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is their intention to carry them out.
9. **MR. WOODS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, if he will state any terms and conditions on which he would authorize the running of excursion trains during the summer months, on the 1st day of the week, between Melbourne and Beaufort and Beaufort and Melbourne.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. KERFERD**: To move, That the Sessional Order appointing the days of meeting of this House during the present Session be suspended, in order to enable the House to meet for the transaction of business on Friday the 18th and Monday the 21st instant.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
3. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
4. **LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
5. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

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2. **MR. GODFREY**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of the papers and correspondence between the shire of Merriang and the Lands Department, in reference to the question of exemption of a road through certain selectors' land in the parish of Wallan Wallan, the report of the district surveyor, Mr. Callanan on the same, and the recommendations of the Land Board, which decided on Friday the 11th instant the cases of Wm. Bestwick and J. Thomson.

3. MR. WOODS: To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) All land, whether alienated or still in the possession of the Crown, should bear a fair proportion of public taxation.
 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
 - (3.) That land to the extent of 640 acres, in the possession of one individual be exempted from general taxation and subject only to local rating.
 - (4.) That 3d. per acre be recognized as one unit of taxation.
4. MR. LONGMORE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all papers connected with, and bearing upon, the refusal of the Lands Department to issue a license for the Cornelia Creek Run, held by Simon Fraser and Co.
5. MR. W. CLARKE: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, copies of the Ballarat Mining Plan, as prepared by Mr. Murray, Government Geological Mining Surveyor, be supplied to the various free libraries within the colony.
6. MR. PURVES: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, immediate practical steps should be taken to inform the minds of the industrial and agricultural population of England, and other labor exporting countries of Europe, as to the resources and advantages of this colony as a field for enterprise and settlement; and that, having in view the present scarcity of labor, immigration, in its true sense, should be fostered by the employment of a competent person or persons as lecturers, and by other kindred means.
7. MAJOR W. C. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
8. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the legal profession.
9. MR. WITT: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return, shewing the names of all persons to whom certificates under section 20 of "*The Land Act 1869*" have been issued, with the areas selected in each case, and the parish or agricultural district in which such selections are situated.
10. MR. W. CLARKE: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Report of the Select Committee on the diversion of the River Plenty, presented to this House on the 9th June, 1870.
11. MR. PURVES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Messrs. Irons and Co., with reference to their contract for the Alfred Graving Dock, and the losses sustained by them by reason of the introduction of the eight hours system of labour during the term, and pending the completion, of their contract; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Hanna, Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Curtain, Mr. Inglis, Mr. Langridge, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
12. MR. McLELLAN: To move—
 - (1.) That the Land Act in force at the present time is of a very unsatisfactory character, and ought to be amended without delay.
 - (2.) That this House will not be discharging its duty to the public unless it takes an amending Land Bill into its consideration before the prorogation of Parliament takes place.
13. MR. GRANT: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £1250 (being the remaining moiety of £2500) to be placed upon an additional Estimate for 1874-5 to complete the storm-water channel at Dunolly.
14. MR. CONNOR: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.
15. MR. STEWART: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the claim of Wardle and others in connexion with the Coliban water scheme; such Committee to consist of Mr. MacPherson, Mr. Bayles, Mr. Woods, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
16. MR. CURTAIN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the efficacy of Mr. Greathead's specific for the cure of diphtheria; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Higinbotham, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Munro, Major W. C. Smith, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.
17. MR. A. T. CLARK: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £800 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, to complete the short road between Melbourne and Williamstown.
18. MR. DUFFY: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £3,250 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 as a special grant towards the erection of the Bridge over the Goulburn at Molesworth.
19. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish the distinction between foreigners and natural born British subjects.
20. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return showing, under separate heads, all income derived from lands, railways, and re-productive public works, and all expenditure during the year 1873-4 on permanent improvements, railways, and similar undertakings, with interest thereon, including endowments and subsidies to local bodies, and the cost of school buildings.

21. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to afford facilities to the industrious classes of this colony for effecting life assurances, through the medium of the Post Office, by a system similar to that at present in operation in Great Britain, and enacted by the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 43.
22. **MR. TUCKER** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount paid by Civil Servants in each department, annually, for fidelity guarantee, and the names of the offices in which the assurances are effected.
23. **MR. GARRATT** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,603 18s. 11d. to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the settlement in full of the claim of Mr. Robert Bennett.
24. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all officers who have drawn allowance in lieu of "forage, equipment, and travelling expenses," during the financial year 1873 and 1874, stating rank of officer and amount received.
25. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "*The Medical Practitioners Statute 1865.*"
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27. **MR. MUST** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the expenditure by the Government for harbor improvements at each of the ports of Belfast, Warrnambool, and Portland, during the last ten years, distinguishing between the outlay upon each port, and shewing which of the townships of those ports are private and which are public townships.
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29. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Report and Evidence of the Board that enquired into certain charges against William Smith, held at the Observatory in July last.
30. **MR. A. T. CLARK** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to seamen and shipping, such Committee to consist of Mr. Thomas, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Hanna, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Levien, Mr. Bent, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
31. **MR. WOODS** : To move, That in consequence of the delay which has arisen in the importation of portions of the permanent way materials, and of the unsuitable construction, and in some cases the inferior quality of points, crossings, fastenings, fishbolts, &c., this House is of opinion that it is desirable to limit the importation of permanent way material to rails only.
32. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the nature and extent of auriferous lands available for mining purposes in the colony of Victoria, the localities in which such lands are situated, and the best means to be adopted to secure them from being alienated from the Crown, such Committee to consist of Major W. C. Smith, Mr. Woods, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Burrowes, Mr. G. V. Smith, Mr. W. Clarke, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moore, Mr. W. Fraser, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Stewart, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum; and that the Committee have leave to meet on days on which the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.
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34. **MR. LOCK** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
35. **MR. LANGRIDGE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal certain clauses in the "*Public Health Statute 1865.*"
36. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of £2,500 be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of roads on the south bank of the Yarra.
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5. DR. MADDEN : *On the House going into Committee of Ways and Means*, To call the attention of the House to the cases of Messrs. Elderton and Birkmyre of the Railway Department, and to suggest to the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways the propriety of rescinding his recommendation that Mr. Elderton be "permanently relieved from his office of pay clerk."

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 17th December.

MESSRS. BISHOP AND OTHERS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 42.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 43.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 85.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[85]

Life Assurance Companies Act Amendment Bill.—[11] As reported 17th December. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. COLIN CAMPBELL**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the fact that eight out of twenty-one district surveyors, or surveyors in charge of districts, are unclassified; and to ask if he will consider, during the recess, the propriety of improving the status of district surveyors.
2. **MR. WOODS**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, if he will state any terms and conditions on which he would authorize the running of excursion trains during the summer months, on the 1st day of the week, between Melbourne and Beaufort and Beaufort and Melbourne.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWS CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT BILL**—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be further taken into consideration.
2. **WAYS AND MEANS**—Resolution to be reported.
3. **MINING STATUTE AMENDMENT, BILL**—Consideration of Report.
4. **LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
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General Business.

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TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

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2. MR. JAMES : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the request of several Fire Brigades for the free transit of members and apparatus at the annual demonstration ; and to ask whether it is his intention to grant the same privilege as was given in May last.
3. MR. A. T. CLARK : To call the attention of the Government to certain recommendations of a Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the alleged silting-up of the Bay ; and ask the Honorable the Premier whether it is their intention to carry them out.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GRANT : To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
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3. DR. MADDEN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 18th December.

MESSRS. BISHOP AND OTHERS—at two o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 43.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 44.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[86]

Scab Act Amendment Bill—Message. B.—No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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5. **MR. CONNOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the want of school accommodation at the following places :—Dean's Marsh, Pennyroyal Creek, and at Mr. Richie's Farm, Borangarook ; and to ask him when the required accommodation will be provided.
6. **MR. B. G. DAVIES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier, to the unfinished state of the Houses of Parliament ; and to ask if he will solicit from the Government of Queensland a copy of the plans and specifications of the Houses of Parliament at Brisbane, and refer the same to the joint Parliament Buildings Committee.
7. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways, to the inconvenience arising from the time fixed for the departure of the last daily train from Ballarat to Beaufort ; and to ask if he will alter the time to 11.30 in lieu of the present.
8. **DR. MADDEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction to the miserable condition of the State school at Keilor Road ; and to ask him if he will take steps to erect a school-house in that locality.
9. **MR. PURVES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the non-fulfilment of an express promise by the department that tenders should be called for for the erection of a crane at Mornington ; and to ask whether steps will be taken to carry out the said promise.
10. **DR. MADDEN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the dangerous position of the powder magazine at Footscray ; and to ask him if he will cause the powder now stored there to be removed into the Bay.
11. **MR. G. PATON SMITH** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to certain facts in connection with the establishment of a Post Office at Nagambie, and the conduct of the Postmaster thereof ; and to ask whether the Government will grant a board of inquiry to investigate the circumstances.
12. **MR. LALOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the application of Mr. Cadogan for the right to mine on certain lands at Elaine ; and to ask him if a license in the form of a lease will be issued to that gentleman at the rate of 1s. per acre.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. GILLIES** : To move for leave to introduce a Bill "To authorise the construction of a certain line of Railway by the State."

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND ACT 1869 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading—Resumption of debate.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. BENT** : To move, That the " Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill " be now read a second time.
Contingent upon the above motion being carried, To move, That the Bill do pass through all its subsequent stages on the same day.
2. **MAJOR W. C. SMITH** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the case of Mr. W. R. Merry, with reference to the contract for the Geelong and Ballarat Railway ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Langton, Mr. Berry, Mr. Longmore, Mr. Grant, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Mason, Mr. A. T. Clark, Mr. Bent, Mr. Witt, Mr. Moore, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers ; such Committee to sit on days the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
3. **MR. COPPIN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House—
 - (1.) The postage should be reduced to One penny upon any letter posted at any post office or at any receiving-pillar or box in Victoria for delivery either at such post office or within the limits of any city, town, or borough and suburbs in which such post office or receiving-pillar or box is situated.
 - (2.) All newspapers should leave the colony by steamer or sailing vessel post free.

4. **MR. A. T. CLARK :** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £800 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, to complete the short road between Melbourne and Williamstown.
5. **MR. LOCK :** To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to cause a sum of £500 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5 (in addition to the sum of £487 10s. recommended in the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of the widows and families of deceased public servants), as a gratuity to the widow and family of the late Mr. Arthur Drury, P.M., in consideration of his long and special services.
6. **MR. CONNOR :** To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause the sum of £1,500 to be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the purpose of completing the tracks from Birregurra and Winchelsea to Loutit and Apollo Bays, and for making a track from Curdie's Inlet to Cape Otway.
7. **MR. WITT :** To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, copies of all papers and correspondence relating to the claim of Mr. W. R. Merry, forwarded to His Excellency's predecessor Viscount Canterbury, previous to his resignation of office, and which were subsequently transmitted to Earl Kimberley, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and also the Despatches of His Lordship relating thereto.
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WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WOODS: To move, That in the opinion of this House—
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 - (2.) That a direct tax should be imposed on all alienated lands, such tax to be progressive, increasing by one unit of taxation per acre for every 1000 acres owned by any individual.
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CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 22nd December.

MESSRS. BISHOP AND OTHERS—at half-past two o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past three o'clock.

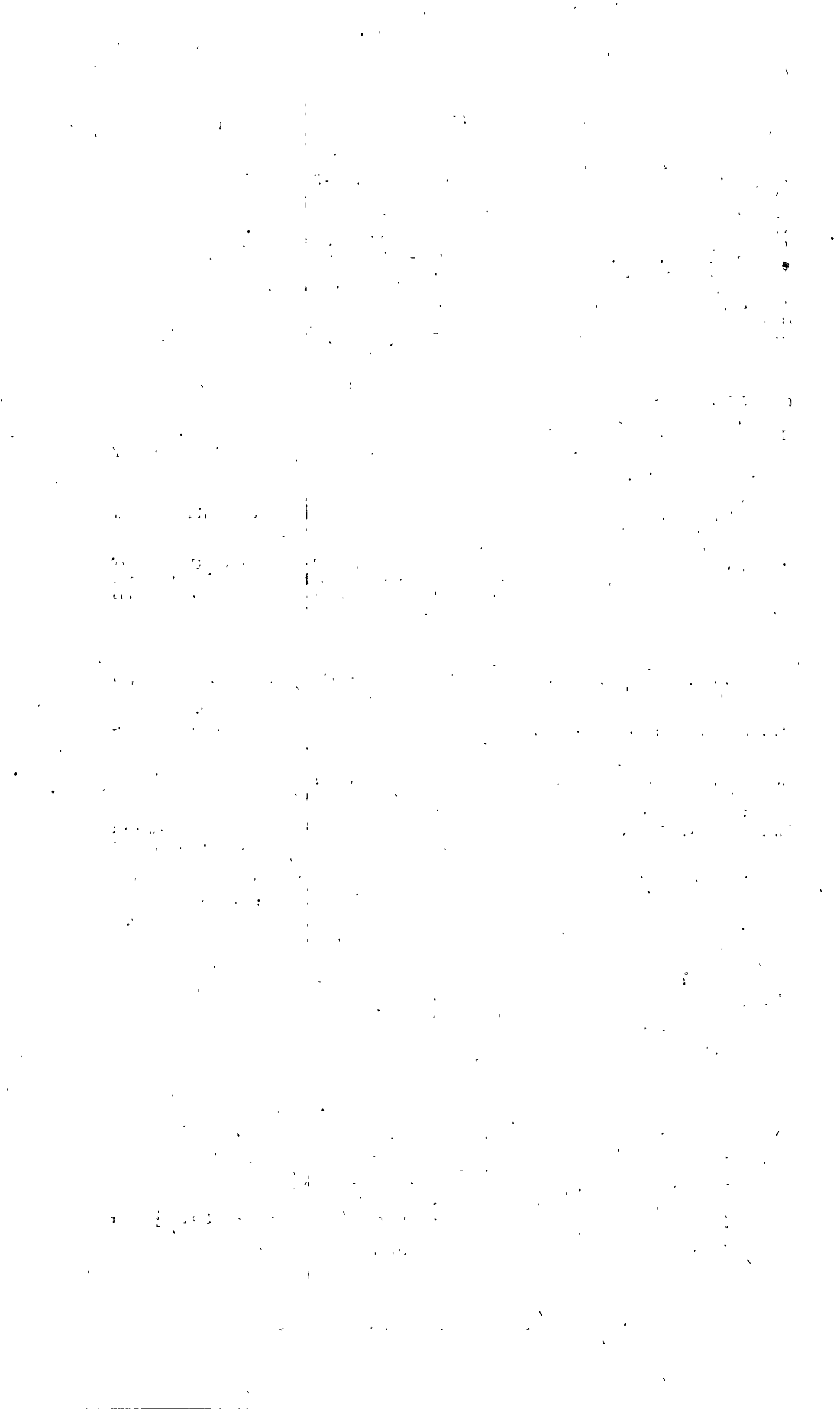
Wednesday, 23rd December.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at half-past three o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 44.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 45.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 86 and No. 87.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[87]
Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for Quarter ended 30th September 1874. A.—No. 24.
Friendly Societies—Return of All Societies, &c. No. 74.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1874.

1. **MR. WITT**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Premier to the necessity of introducing a new Electoral Bill at an early period in the next Session of Parliament, which shall *inter alia* provide for increased representation for the large electoral district of the Murray, and other districts which are at present most inadequately represented.
2. **MR. JONES**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, whether the excursion fares advertisement is correct in stating that, during the holidays, twelve days will be allowed in Melbourne, and only three in Ballarat; and, if so, whether he will correct the anomaly.
3. **MR. WITT**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the necessity of appointing a district surveyor and land officer at Omeo; and to ask if he will appoint some one to perform the duties of these offices in accordance with the promise he gave the people of Omeo when he visited that district about twelve months ago.
4. **MR. LEVIEN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands to the administration of the Lands Department, particularly in the case of Donald Henderson, of Echuca; and to ask if he will endeavour to remedy the matter complained of.
5. **MR. MASON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the method of providing medical attendance for the members of the Police Force, Richmond Depôt; and to ask if some better system cannot be adopted.
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7. **MR. MASON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands to the delay in connexion with the issue of leases for land selected at Brandy Creek, and the difficulty of complying with all the conditions of license; and to ask how he purposes dealing with such cases.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

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16. **MR. WITT** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to cause a sum of £10,000 to be placed upon an Additional Estimate for 1874-5, for the formation of bridle tracks, erection of finger or direction posts, and construction of dray roads over the alpine or mountainous regions of the colony, including the continuation of the track from Harrierville to Omeo, and making the same of sufficient width the whole distance to admit of a dray travelling that route ; the same from Darlingford to Enoch's Point ; the widening of the track from Jamieson to Wood's Point, *viâ* Gaffney's Creek ; the formation of a bridle track from Harrierville to Mansfield, with direction posts every ten miles ; the same from Omeo to Snowy Creek Junction ; and the balance of the vote to be expended as this House or the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways and Roads might direct.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. OFFICIALS IN PARLIAMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. TRUST ESTATES BILL—Second reading.
3. SCAB ACT AMENDMENT—Message of His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
4. SCAB ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. TEACHERS IN STATE SCHOOLS—Resolutions to be reported.
6. MARKET LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. DOG ACT AMENDMENT BILL (2)—To be further considered in Committee.
8. COAL AND GOLD PROSPECTING—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
9. CONSTABLE MALONEY—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
10. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRIES—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
11. POUNDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. FENCES STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. GOLD PROSPECTORS—Motion for Select Committee—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. GRANT** : To move, *on an early day*—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, no will or testamentary disposition, or other disposition, to take effect after death shall have any force or validity in Victoria ; and
 - (2.) That the Government be requested to bring in a Bill to give effect to this resolution.

2. DR. MADDEN : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That it is desirable that a school or schools shall be organized in connection with State schools for the purpose of affording facilities to the children of the poorer classes to matriculate at the University.
3. MR. WOODS : To move, *on going into Committee of Supply*, That, in the opinion of this House, all judicial proceedings connected with the Lands Department, involving pains and penalties, should be conducted by a Judge of County Court sitting judicially, and that the Lands Department should appear as the Administrator of the Act on the one part, and the parties accused of breaking or evading the law should be called upon to appear on the other.

CHAS. MAC MAHON,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 23rd December.

MESSRS. BISHOP AND OTHERS—at two o'clock.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 45.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 46.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[88]

Central Board of Health—Fifteenth Report of the Board. No. 95.

Pyrites—Report of the Board appointed to report on the Methods of treating Pyrites, &c. No. 96.

Officials in Parliament Act Amendment Bill.—[45] As reported 22nd December. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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