



NOTICES
OF
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LEG. ASS.
SESSION.
1857-8

CLERK OF
ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. MR. ASPINALL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Have any applications been received for the survey and sale of certain lands situate at the south of Arthur's Seat, Cape Schanck, and at Bonio; and if so, how many applications, and when received?
 - (2.) Have the said Lands been surveyed and sold in consequence of such applications; and if not, why?

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week, be the days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day.
2. MR. HAINES: To move, That on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week during the present Session, the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all business.
3. MR. HAINES: To move, That the following members form the Select Committee upon Standing Orders:—Mr. Aspinall, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Ebden, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Horne, Mr. McCulloch, and Mr. O'Shanassy, three to form a quorum.
4. MR. HAINES: To move, That the following members form the Library Committee of the Assembly, viz.:—The Honorable the Speaker, Mr. Greeves, Mr. C. Campbell, Mr. Griffith, and Mr. Gavan Duffy, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council.
5. MR. HAINES: To move, That the following gentlemen:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Horne, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Moore, Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Owens, Mr. Rutledge, and Mr. Snodgrass, be appointed the Printing Committee, three to form a quorum.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, That whereas in trials for criminal assaults on female children it not unfrequently occurs, owing to the tender age of the principal witness, great difficulty obtains as to the reception of her evidence, while the depositions forwarded to the Supreme Court by the committing magistrates exist as *prima facie* evidence that in their judgment there are serious grounds for putting the prisoner on his trial before his country; and since to discharge a prisoner on the plea of the difficulty aforesaid, as acquitted, without further enquiry, deprives the child alleged to have been injured of that protection which the law should most particularly afford to the infant children of the State; and as the recurrence of such cases argues a grave defectiveness in those Acts which refer to criminal assaults, in the opinion of this House it is necessary that the said Acts should undergo a careful revision, with a view to amendment; and that a Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the same without delay.
2. MR. HORNE: To move, That this House is of opinion, that until Parliament has determined the mode of sale and settlement which ought to be adopted for the public lands of this country, it is contrary to the best interests of the people that large tracts of land should be put up for sale in districts where there is little population or demand; and that this House feels bound to record its disapprobation of the contrary practice having been adopted by the Government, whereby large portions of the public estate have fallen into hands of a few individuals, at a sum scarcely above the upset price.
3. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move for the appointment of a Select Committee on the question of a Federal Union of the Australian Colonies.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. OATHS OF OFFICE BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BLAIR: To move, On the motion for the House going into Committee of Supply, for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the present state of the Public Lands Department, and of the survey of the territory.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

MONDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1857.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move, That the proceedings of this Assembly be commenced on each day by the Speaker pronouncing the Lord's Prayer.
2. MR. LANGLANDS: To move the re-appointment of the Committee on the Correspondence between the City and Emerald Hill Councils with the Government, namely, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Harker, Mr. Heales, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, with liberty to use the evidence taken during the last Session of Parliament.
3. MR. SITWELL: To move, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter the proportions in which rates are assessed in Road Districts.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be taken into consideration.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. HEALES: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer the reason why the inhabitants of the village of Pentridge and its neighborhood have been deprived of the Public Pound and its advantages; whether it is the intention of the Government to establish a Public Pound in the village reserve, in lieu of the one just abolished; if so, when.
2. MR. HANCOCK: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Why the formation of the road through the Stony Rises, between Colac and Timboon, has been stopped before one-fourth of the sum granted for expenditure on its improvement has been expended.
 - (2.) Whether tenders have been called for by the Central Road Board for making passable about one mile of road in the township of Colac, which has remained for the last two winters a slough of mud and water of such a consistency as to prevent the road being used by means of horses or otherwise.
3. DR. OWENS: To ask whether it is the intention of the Government to deal with the subject of Mining on Private Property during the present Session.

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1. DR. EMBLING: To move, That a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Horne, Aspinall, and the Mover, be appointed to take into consideration the laws at present in force relating to the evidence required from children of tender age who have been criminally assaulted.
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3. DR. OWENS: To ask whether it is the intention of the Government to deal with the subject of Mining on Private Property during the present Session.
4. DR. EMBLING: To ask, If the Government has appointed a Ranger for Studley Park; if not, when will this officer be appointed, because the destruction and removal of the timber by night and by day, is being systematically carried on; and it is imperatively necessary that the Government should see that some authority, Local or Government, shall supervise this reserve.
5. MR. ASPINALL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether any provision will be made in the Estimates for 1858, for the improvement of the road between Malmsbury and Daylesford, the same being in such condition that drays have been compelled, within fifteen miles of Daylesford, to turn back and go round by way of Castlemaine, an extra distance of fifty miles.
6. DR. OWENS: To ask the Chief Secretary whether he is in possession of the circumstances connected with the dismissal of Mr. Donaghy, a Training Master in the National School; and if so, if he will state the grounds on which he has been dismissed by the Commissioners.
7. MR. IRELAND: To ask the Commissioner of Land and Works in what manner the sum of £1200, voted in the early part of this year for the repair of Forest street in the Castlemaine District has been expended; and, if not expended in the repairs of the road, to what purpose it has been applied.

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6. MR. GREEVES: To move, For leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "*The Sewerage and Water Act.*"

7. MR. DAVIS: To move, That it is expedient that the following Returns and every information connected therewith be laid on the Table of the House previous to going into Committee of Supply.
- (1.) A Return of the Road Engineer's Reports of the requirements of the various districts throughout the colony for the ensuing year, and especially the reports upon the main central road between Bruthen Creek and Tarraville, in the District of Alberton.
 - (2.) Connected with the above, a Return showing the amounts required for each district, as per Road Engineer's Report, and the amounts placed on the Estimates for the same, and also the requisite information showing the principle upon which the Head of the Department of Public Works is guided in apportioning the public moneys to the various districts.
 - (3.) A Return of the Sums of Money voted by the Legislature in the past Session of Parliament, but which have been misappropriated for the purposes for which they were voted.
 - (4.) A Return of the Officers of the various Public Departments whose duty it is to see that the votes of this House, as far as regards the public moneys, are faithfully carried out.
8. MR. WOOD: To move—
- (1.) For Copies of all Correspondence between Mr. Justice Barry and the Government, relative to the trial of prisoners at the last Beechworth Circuit Court.
 - (2.) For the dates when the prisoners tried at the last Beechworth Circuit Court were finally committed for trial; when the informations against them were signed, and when such prisoners were tried.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. HORNE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has been informed by any of the Government Surveyors of the names of parties holding depasturing licenses who are in the habit of following the surveyor during his work of marking off lands for public sale, and as marked, erecting fences, cutting off water frontages, and so placing themselves in a position to demand a valuation of improvements; and whether the Government will give instructions to their surveyors to forward the names of all parties so acting.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.—SESSION 1856-7.

- Dec. 5.*—Weekly Report of Divisions in Legislative Assembly—Nos. 26 and 27.
Dec. 7.—Standing Orders relative to Reporting.
Dec. 8.—Local Court Rules, Castlemaine. A.—No. 107.
 Local Court Rules, Ararat. A.—No. 115.
 Local Court Rules, Hepburn. A.—No. 112.
 List of Select Committees of Legislative Council.
 Report of Select Committee of Legislative Council on Transfer of Lands, with Evidence, &c.

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- Dec. 4.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[1].
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 1.
Dec. 5.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[2].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 1.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 1.
Dec. 7.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 2.
Dec. 8.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[3.]

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2. MR. GRIFFITH: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether any, and what steps have been taken by the Government for the eradication of Thistles on the Government Reserves in the neighborhood of Essendon.

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1. SUPPLY—RESOLUTION OF COMMITTEE—To be reported.

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1. CAPTAIN CLARKE: To move for Returns shewing—
 - (1.) The total number of vessels of all classes which have arrived and departed from the Port of Melbourne, since the 1st July to 30th November, 1857.
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MONDAY, 14TH DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

- Dec. 9.*—Progress Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Westward Harbors.
D.—No. 64.
Progress Report of Select Committee upon City of Melbourne and Emerald Hill
Correspondence. D.—No. 63.

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- Dec. 9.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[4].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 3.
Oaths of Qualification Bill.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. DR. EMBLING: To ask if the President of the Board of Sewers and Water Supply can inform the House whether there is any truth in the report in circulation, that in order to supply the water carts the main has been turned off from the Collingwood pipes; and, if not, if he will explain why the inhabitants scarcely receive any water whatever from the reservoir.
2. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the Government have already communicated, or if they intend to communicate by next mail, with the Home Government on the inefficient manner in which the European and Australian Mail Company continue to carry out the postal contract.

Government Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 11TH DECEMBER.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Chief Secretary whether he received so far back as the 26th October certain amended rules of the Local Court at Dunolly, urgently required to meet the wants of the diggers in that neighbourhood; and whether it is likely that those rules will receive within a limited time the consideration of the Government.

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MONDAY, 14TH DECEMBER.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether any and what directions will be given to the Registrars as to publishing their names and places of residence conspicuously throughout their districts, so as to be easily accessible.
 - (2.) Whether any and what steps will be taken to require the Clerks of Petty Sessions to publish in remote districts the notices and issue the forms, as in the schedules of the Electoral Act, in a manner to facilitate the registration of parliamentary electors.

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Dec. 10.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[5].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 4.

Estimates of Expenditure of the Government of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1858.

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4. **MR. ASPINALL:** To ask the Attorney General—
 - (1.) Whether he has been made aware of the inconvenience and delay of business sustained at the Maryborough Police Court, in consequence of there being no Clerk of the Bench there.
 - (2.) Whether, and when, a Court of Mines is to be established at Maryborough.

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WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. WILLS: To ask, the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government are aware of the threatened destruction of property in this territory, at Gabo Island, by Captain Robert Poekley, styling himself "Superintendent of Lights, Pilots, and Navigation, in the service of New South Wales;" and, if so, their intention in respect thereof.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

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1. OATHS OF OFFICE BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BLAIR: To move, On the motion for the House going into Committee of Supply, for the appointment of a Select Committee to enquire into the present state of the Public Lands Department, and of the survey of the territory, such Committee to consist of Mr. Moore, Captain Clarke, Mr. Horne, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Sargood, Dr. Owens, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover.
2. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 11.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[6].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

MONDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. DR. OWENS : To ask the Chief Secretary—

(1.) Whether any and what directions will be given to the Registrars as to publishing their names and places of residence conspicuously throughout their districts, so as to be easily accessible.

(2.) Whether any and what steps will be taken to require the Clerks of Petty Sessions to publish in remote districts the notices and issue the forms, as in the schedules of the Electoral Act, in a manner to facilitate the registration of parliamentary electors.

2. MR. HANCOCK : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government, for the accommodation of the public, intend removing the Supreme Court Registry Office to a more central position; and if Spencer street has been fixed on for that purpose.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move for the production of the correspondence between Mr. Cadogan Campbell and the Central Road Board, in connexion with the dismissal of that officer from his appointment under the Board, and to call the attention of the House to the circumstances of his case.

2. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move for the appointment of a Select Committee on the question of a Federal Union of the Australian Colonies, to consist of Mr. Michie, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Ebdon, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Moore, Dr. Evans, Mr. Horne, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Syme, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Harker, Mr. Gavan Duffy, and that they have power to confer with any Committee appointed by the Legislative Council, and to communicate with the Parliamentary Committee appointed on the same business in the other Colonies; three to form a quorum.

3. MR. IRELAND : To move for a Return of all Land sold either by auction or selection since the first day of January, 1857, to the present time, distinguishing the quantities sold to each purchaser, with the date of sale and the prices paid.

4. MR. RUTLEDGE : To move, That during this Session the hour for refreshment be from six to seven o'clock; and that Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of Committees, as the case may be, do vacate the chair each day at six o'clock precisely.

5. MR. HANCOCK : To move, That in the opinion of this House the land at Rickett's Marsh, advertised to be sold on the 22nd and 23rd December instant, should be withdrawn from sale.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. ASPINALL : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether his attention has been called to the inadequacy of the Post Office accommodation at Maryborough to the wants of the population; and whether the Government intend this year to provide the Postmaster with an office better adapted to the purpose than that hitherto used.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.

2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, for a Select Committee to take Evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.

2. MR. LALOR : To bring under the notice of the Government the fact that certain returns moved for in January last, respecting the revenue received and the amount expended on Ballaarat during the last six years, have not yet been laid on the Table.

3. MR. LALOR : To move for a return of the sums voted during last session for public works in the District of Ballaarat; and also a return of the amounts actually expended on such works.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. WILLS: To ask, the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government are aware of the threatened destruction of property in this territory, at Gabo Island, by Captain Robert Pockley, styling himself "Superintendent of Lights, Pilots, and Navigation, in the service of New South Wales;" and, if so, their intention in respect thereof.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

Government Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. OATHS OF OFFICE BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

- Dec. 12.*—Pilotage. A.—No. 91.
Local Court Rules, Raglan. A.—No. 108.
Printing Reports—Nos. 28, 29.
Supernumerary Officers. A.—No. 121.
Sandhurst Roads. A.—No. 122.

SESSION 1857.

- Dec. 12.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[7].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. **MR. ASPINALL:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether his attention has been called to the inadequacy of the Post Office accommodation at Maryborough to the wants of the population; and whether the Government intend this year to provide the Postmaster with an office better adapted to the purpose than that hitherto used.
2. **MR. GRIFFITH:** To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he is prepared to lay upon the Table of the House a schedule shewing the scheme of distribution amongst the different District Road Boards of the sum of £75,000, proposed to be granted in aid of their funds.
3. **MR. HANCOCK:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what part of the sum of £7,500 placed upon the Estimates for 1858, for improvements upon the road between Modewarre and Colac, is intended to be expended between Winchelsea and Colac; and whether near Colac or Winchelsea.
4. **DR. OWENS:** To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works what is the reason that the sums promised during the last Session for the erection of a bridge over the Campaspe, and for making a road through the diggings at Avoca, have not been provided for on the current Estimates.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY.**—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.
2. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **DR. OWENS:** To move, for a Select Committee to take Evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. **MR. LALOR:** To bring under the notice of the Government the fact that certain returns moved for in January last, respecting the revenue received and the amount expended on Ballaarat during the last six years, have not yet been laid on the Table.
3. **MR. LALOR:** To move for a return of the sums voted during last session for public works in the District of Ballaarat; and also a return of the amounts actually expended on such works.
4. **MR. WOOD:** To move for the re-appointment of the Select Committee to consider Mr. William Lockart Morton's case, viz, Mr. Haines, Mr. Davis, Mr. Grant, Dr. Owens, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Heales, Mr. Ireland, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

1. **MR. WILLS:** To ask, the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government are aware of the threatened destruction of property in this territory, at Gabo Island, by Captain Robert Pockley, styling himself "Superintendent of Lights, Pilots, and Navigation, in the service of New South Wales;" and, if so, their intention in respect thereof.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HAINES:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to increase the number of Members of the Legislative Assembly, and to alter the Electoral Districts.
2. **MR. HAINES:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to shorten the duration of the Legislative Assembly.
3. **MR. HAINES:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Parliamentary Elections.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. O'SHANASSY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) If he is aware whether the purchasers of land at the last land sale held in Kilmore, paid the deposit money in cash at the time of sale for each lot sold.
 - (2.) If he is aware whether the purchasers or their agents in each case signed the contract for the balance of the purchase money for each lot at the time of sale.
 - (3.) If the conditions were not complied with, what steps will be taken to make void the sale in those instances where the law has not been adhered to.

Government Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. OATHS OF OFFICE BILL.—Second reading.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. QUARTERMAN: To move for a Return shewing the expenditure of the sum or sums of money voted for Bridges within the Wimmera District during the past financial year.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
2. MR. SERVICE: To move, That the conservancy of Carlton Gardens having been committed by the Government to the City Council, under the restriction that no road for wheeled vehicles should be made there through, it is desirable, in the opinion of this House, that such restriction should be withdrawn, and the City Council, as the duly constituted representatives of the community at large, left at liberty to deal with the gardens in this respect as they may consider best.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

Dec. 14.—Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Westward Harbors, with Minutes of Evidence, &c.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 14.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 7.
Sewerage Act Amendment Bill.Dec. 15.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[8].
Bill to secure Independence of Legislature.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. MR. WILLS: To ask, the Honorable the Chief Secretary if the Government are aware of the threatened destruction of property in this territory, at Gabo Island, by Captain Robert Pockley, styling himself "Superintendent of Lights, Pilots, and Navigation, in the service of New South Wales;" and, if so, their intention in respect thereof.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to increase the number of Members of the Legislative Assembly, and to alter the Electoral Districts.
2. MR. HAINES: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to shorten the duration of the Legislative Assembly.
3. MR. HAINES: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate Parliamentary Elections.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move, to-morrow, upon the reading of the Order of the Day to go into Committee of Supply, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable that printed forms of application to be used by persons claiming to be voters should be kept on sale, at a price not exceeding the original cost, at all Post Offices, Police Offices, Offices of Petty Sessions Clerks, Registrars of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and Registrars under Act No. 33 of the Parliament of Victoria.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. O'SHANASSY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) If he is aware whether the purchasers of land at the last land sale held in Kilmore paid the deposit money in cash at the time of sale for each lot sold.
 - (2.) If he is aware whether the purchasers or their agents in each case signed the contract for the balance of the purchase money for each lot at the time of sale.
 - (3.) If the conditions were not complied with, what steps will be taken to make void the sale in those instances where the law has not been adhered to.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether the Government are aware that there is not any lock-up accommodation at the White Hills Hamlet except such as is not weather proof, and so insecure that prisoners lodged in it have to be left handcuffed.
 - (2.) Whether it is in accordance with the requirements of the service for policemen to be living in a rented house in the village when there is no lock-up or means of securing prisoners.
 - (3.) What is the reason that the police station promised a year ago has not been erected.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. OATHS OF OFFICE BILL.—Second reading.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. QUARTERMAN: To move for a Return showing the expenditure of the sum or sums of money voted for Bridges within the Wimmera District during the past financial year.
2. DR. THOMSON: To move for a yearly Return of all Votes for Public Works of all kinds from 1851 to the present time, showing in every case the amount proposed to be expended, and the actual amount expended.
3. DR. THOMSON: To move for a Return showing the number of places at which Petty Sessions are held, distinguishing those places where stipendiary magistrates are stationed; the number of magistrates within ten miles of each place, and the number of cases brought before each bench for the last twelve months.
4. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

1. MR. PERRY: To ask the Chief Secretary what is the average cost per man to the Government for supplying barrack accommodation, with fuel and water, to the unmarried constabulary; and whether any equivalent to that cost is afforded to the married constables who provide themselves with those necessaries.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
2. MR. SERVICE: To move, That the conservancy of Carlton Gardens having been committed by the Government to the City Council, under the restriction that no road for wheeled vehicles should be made there through, it is desirable, in the opinion of this House, that such restriction should be withdrawn, and the City Council, as the duly constituted representatives of the community at large, left at liberty to deal with the gardens in this respect as they may consider best.
3. MR. LALOR: To bring under the notice of the Government the fact that certain returns moved for in January last, respecting the revenue received and the amount expended on Ballarat during the last six years, have not yet been laid on the Table.
4. MR. LALOR: To move for a return of the sums voted during last session for public works in the District of Ballarat; and also a return of the amounts actually expended on such works.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
3. DR. OWENS: To move, on the first sitting of the House after Christmas, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 16th December.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 17th December:

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 16.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[9].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 8

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. MR. O'SHANASSY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) If he is aware whether the purchasers of land at the last land sale held in Kilmore paid the deposit money in cash at the time of sale for each lot sold.
 - (2.) If he is aware whether the purchasers or their agents in each case signed the contract for the balance of the purchase money for each lot at the time of sale.
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 - (1.) Whether the Government are aware that there is not any lock-up accommodation at the White Hills Hamlet except such as is not weather proof, and so insecure that prisoners lodged in it have to be left handcuffed.
 - (2.) Whether it is in accordance with the requirements of the service for policemen to be living in a rented house in the village when there is no lock-up or means of securing prisoners.
 - (3.) What is the reason that the police station promised a year ago has not been erected.
3. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to comply with the pledge of the Chief Secretary to place upon the Estimates a sufficient sum to repair the main approaches to the town of Geelong within the town boundary.
4. DR. OWENS: To ask the Chief Secretary whether it is intended to continue sittings until the Estimates are finally disposed of, or to adjourn for the usual Christmas vacation; and if to adjourn when will the House re-assemble.
5. MR. GRANT: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works the reason why the Court House and other public buildings at Sandhurst, for which money was voted in the Estimates for 1857, are not being proceeded with.
6. MR. ASPINALL: To ask the Chief Secretary whose business it is at present to register voters at Maryborough, there being no Clerk of the Bench there.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES, on behalf of Mr. Michie: To move in Committee—
 - (1.) That it is expedient to assimilate and simplify the Oaths of Qualification for Office.
 - (2.) That a Bill be brought in for that purpose.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. OATHS OF OFFICE BILL.—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY.—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. QUARTERMAN: To move for a Return showing the expenditure of the sum or sums of money voted for Bridges within the Wimmera District during the past financial year.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

1. CAPT. PERRY: To ask the Chief Secretary what is the average cost per man to the Government for supplying barrack accommodation, with fuel and water, to the unmarried constabulary; and whether any equivalent to that cost is afforded to the married constables who provide themselves with those necessaries.
2. DR. EVANS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works for what reason the design and estimate for a bridge on the principle of Bates's patent, to be erected across the River Yarra, at the Botanical Gardens, which had been approved of by the Honorable Captain Pasley, was subsequently rejected.
3. MR. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if the statement in the petition of Thomas Stephens is correct, and if so, the reasons why his tender was not accepted; and if similar cases have occurred with respect to the same individual, and the reasons in each case, if more than one, for the non-acceptance of the lowest tender.
4. MR. SLADEN: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what course the Government propose to pursue with reference to a supply of water to Geelong.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To move for the re-appointment of the Select Committee on the Ballarat Riots, Bentley's Hotel.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER.

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether the Government intend to accept any tender for the construction of two hundred and six miles of Railway, as advertised for?
 - (2.) Or, whether it is intended to limit the acceptance of tenders to the construction of as many miles as may be made for the sum of £1,500,000, that sum being the amount of the proposed Railway loan?
 - (3.) If so, what portion of the proposed lines of Railway will be constructed in the first instance?

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
2. MR. SERVICE: To move, That the conservancy of Carlton Gardens having been committed by the Government to the City Council, under the restriction that no road for wheeled vehicles should be made there through, it is desirable, in the opinion of this House, that such restriction should be withdrawn, and the City Council, as the duly constituted representatives of the community at large, left at liberty to deal with the gardens in this respect as they may consider best.
3. MR. LALOR: To bring under the notice of the Government the fact that certain returns moved for in January last, respecting the revenue received and the amount expended on Ballarat during the last six years, have not yet been laid on the Table.
4. MR. LALOR: To move for a return of the sums voted during last session for public works in the District of Ballarat; and also a return of the amounts actually expended on such works.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL—Second reading.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.

3. DR. OWENS : To move, on the first sitting of the House after Christmas, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
4. MR. HEALES : To move, on the first Monday of the sitting of the House after Christmas, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made :—
- (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.
5. CAPT. ANDERSON : To move, on the Honorable the Treasurer bringing the Military Estimates before the Committee of Supply, That No. 66 of page 43, as shown in the printed Estimates for the current year, be withdrawn for alteration in accordance with the following scale :—

MILITARY.

COLONIAL ALLOWANCE.

Head Quarter Staff.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Major-General Commanding	900	0	0			
Deputy Adjutant-General	500	0	0			
Major of Brigade	300	0	0			
Assistant Military Secretary	300	0	0			
Aide-de-Camp	300	0	0			
Principal Medical Officer	350	0	0			
Staff Surgeon	250	0	0			
Deputy Commissary General	350	0	0			
Purveyor (Army rank—Captain)	182	10	0			
Medical Storekeeper	150	0	0			
Commissariat Clerk (Army rank—Ensign)	182	10	0			
				3,765	0	0

Her Majesty's Troops.

1 Lieutenant-Colonel	£250	}	350	0	0
" Command Money	£100				
2 Majors, at £200			400	0	0
30 Regimental Officers, at 10s per diem			5,475	0	0
1 Schoolmaster, Sergeant, at 4s. per diem			73	0	0
1 <i>Schoolmistress</i>			*20	0	0
4 Senior Staff Sergeants, at 3s. per diem			219	0	0
10 Staff Sergeants, at 2s. 3d. per diem			410	12	6
1 Drum-Major, at 2s. per diem			36	10	0
40 Sergeants, at 2s. per diem			1,460	0	0
40 Corporals, at 1s. 7d. per diem			1,155	16	8
781 Drummers and Privates, at 1s. 3½d. per diem			18,410	8	11½
<i>Good Conduct Pay</i>			*500	0	0
				28,510	8 1½

Barrack Master.

Barrack Master... ..	200	0	0		
Sergeant, at 2s. 6d. per diem	45	12	6		
Laborer, at 1s. per diem	18	5	0		
Barrack Sergeant, at Geelong, at 8s. per diem	146	0	0		
				409	17 6
				£32,685	5 7½

* These items are not included in the Government Estimates.

NOTE.—1. All the Officers in this scale are reduced in their Colonial pay, when compared with the past years, with the exception of the Subaltern Officers.

2. The increase of 2½d. in the Colonial pay of the rank and file is intended to meet the Home stoppage towards rations.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 17th December.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 18th December.

MR. W. L. MORTON'S CASE—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 17.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[10].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 9.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1857.

1. CAPT. PERRY : To ask the Chief Secretary what is the average cost per man to the Government for supplying barrack accommodation, with fuel and water, to the unmarried constabulary; and whether any equivalent to that cost is afforded to the married constables who provide themselves with those necessaries.
2. DR. EVANS : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works for what reason the design and estimate for a bridge on the principle of Bates's patent, to be erected across the River Yarra, at the Botanical Gardens, which had been approved of by the Honorable Captain Pasley, was subsequently rejected.
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4. MR. SLADEN : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what course the Government propose to pursue with reference to a supply of water to Geelong.
5. MR. IRELAND : To ask the Attorney General upon what grounds he has refused to sanction the regulation of the Local Court at Ballaarat, determining the extent of claims to be occupied by virtue of miner's rights for the purposes of residence in connexion with the object of mining.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. OATHS BILL.—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY.—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To move for the re-appointment of the Select Committee on the Ballaarat Riots, Bentley's Hotel.
2. MR. QUARTERMAN : To move for a Return showing the expenditure of the sum or sums of money voted for Bridges within the Wimmera District during the past financial year.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER.

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether the Government intend to accept any tender for the construction of two hundred and six miles of Railway, as advertised for?
 - (2.) Or, whether it is intended to limit the acceptance of tenders to the construction of as many miles as may be made for the sum of £1,500,000, that sum being the amount of the proposed Railway loan?
 - (3.) If so, what portion of the proposed lines of Railway will be constructed in the first instance?
2. MR. FINDLAY : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why no provision is made in the Estimates for the Marine Survey of the Colony; and if that department is abolished, why?

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
2. MR. SERVICE : To move, That the conservancy of Carlton Gardens having been committed by the Government to the City Council, under the restriction that no road for wheeled vehicles should be made there through, it is desirable, in the opinion of this House, that such restriction should be withdrawn, and the City Council, as the duly constituted representatives of the community at large, left at liberty to deal with the gardens in this respect as they may consider best.

3. MR. LALOR: To bring under the notice of the Government the fact that certain returns moved for in January last, respecting the revenue received and the amount expended on Ballarat during the last six years, have not yet been laid on the Table.
4. MR. LALOR: To move for a return of the sums voted during last session for public works in the District of Ballarat; and also a return of the amounts actually expended on such works.
5. MR. MICHIE: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the promotion of Public Education in the Colony of Victoria.
6. MR. HANCOCK: To move for leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
7. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

1. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to comply with the pledge of the Chief Secretary to place upon the Estimates a sufficient sum to repair the main approaches to the town of Geelong within the town boundary.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL—Second reading.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILLS: To move for a Return shewing the number and description of Stock depastured on Crown Lands in this province during the last seven years respectively, and the Revenue derived therefrom by the State in each year.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
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4. MR. HEALES: To move, on the first Monday of the sitting of the House after Christmas, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made:—
 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.

5. CAPT. ANDERSON: To move, on the Honorable the Treasurer bringing the Military Estimates before the Committee of Supply, That No. 66 of page 43, as shewn in the printed Estimates for the current year, be withdrawn for alteration in accordance with the following scale:—

MILITARY.

COLONIAL ALLOWANCE.

Head Quarter Staff.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Major-General Commanding	900	0	0			
Deputy Adjutant-General	500	0	0			
Major of Brigade	300	0	0			
Assistant Military Secretary	300	0	0			
Aide-de-Camp	300	0	0			
Principal Medical Officer	350	0	0			
Staff Surgeon	250	0	0			
Deputy Commissary General	350	0	0			
Purveyor (Army rank—Captain)	182	10	0			
Medical Storekeeper	150	0	0			
Commissariat Clerk (Army rank—Ensign)	182	10	0			
				3,765	0	0

Her Majesty's Troops.

1 Lieutenant-Colonel	£250	}	350	0	0	
" Command Money	£100					
2 Majors, at £200	400	0	0			
30 Regimental Officers, at 10s per diem	5,475	0	0			
1 Schoolmaster, Sergeant, at 4s. per diem	73	0	0			
1 <i>Schoolmistress</i>	*20	0	0			
4 Senior Staff Sergeants, at 3s. per diem	219	0	0			
10 Staff Sergeants, at 2s. 3d. per diem	410	12	6			
1 Drum-Major, at 2s. per diem	36	10	0			
40 Sergeants, at 2s. per diem	1,460	0	0			
40 Corporals, at 1s. 7d. per diem	1,155	16	8			
781 Drummers and Privates, at 1s. 3½d. per diem	18,410	8	11½			
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				28,510	8	1½

Barrack Master.

Barrack Master... ..	200	0	0			
Sergeant, at 2s. 6d. per diem	45	12	6			
Laborer, at 1s. per diem	18	5	0			
Barrack Sergeant, at Geelong, at 8s. per diem	146	0	0			
				409	17	6
				£32,685	5	7½

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- NOTE.—1. All the Officers in this scale are reduced in their Colonial pay, when compared with the past years, with the exception of the Subaltern Officers.
2. The increase of 2½d. in the Colonial pay of the rank and file is intended to meet the Home stoppage towards rations.

MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 18th December.

MR. W. L. MORTON'S CASE—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 18.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[11].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 10.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

MONDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1857.

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether the Government intend to accept any tender for the construction of two hundred and six miles of Railway, as advertised for?
 - (2.) Or, whether it is intended to limit the acceptance of tenders to the construction of as many miles as may be made for the sum of £1,500,000, that sum being the amount of the proposed Railway loan?
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2. MR. FINDLAY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why no provision is made in the Estimates for the Marine Survey of the Colony; and if that department is abolished, why?
3. MR. IRELAND: To ask the Attorney General upon what grounds he has refused to sanction the regulation of the Local Court at Ballaarat, determining the extent of claims to be occupied by virtue of miner's rights for the purposes of residence in connexion with the object of mining.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SERVICE: To move, That the conservancy of Carlton Gardens having been committed by the Government to the City Council, under the restriction that no road for wheeled vehicles should be made there through, it is desirable, in the opinion of this House, that such restriction should be withdrawn, and the City Council, as the duly constituted representatives of the community at large, left at liberty to deal with the gardens in this respect as they may consider best.
2. MR. LALOR: To bring under the notice of the Government the fact that certain returns moved for in January last, respecting the revenue received and the amount expended on Ballaarat during the last six years, have not yet been laid on the Table.
3. MR. LALOR: To move for a return of the sums voted during last session for public works in the District of Ballaarat; and also a return of the amounts actually expended on such works.
4. MR. MICHIE: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the promotion of Public Education in the Colony of Victoria.
5. MR. HANCOCK: To move for leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
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7. MR. QUARTERMAN: To move for a Return showing the expenditure of the sum or sums of money voted for Bridges within the Wimmera District during the past financial year.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. OATHS BILL.—Third reading.
3. SUPPLY.—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

1. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to comply with the pledge of the Chief Secretary to place upon the Estimates a sufficient sum to repair the main approaches to the town of Geelong within the town boundary.
2. MR. WILKIE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works how many crossing places the Government propose to form over the line of the Williamstown Railway for the convenience of the inhabitants of Footscray.

Government Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL—Second reading.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HEALES : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

1. DR. EVANS : To ask the Chief Secretary :—

- (1.) To what amount did Mr. Mitchell purchase goods on behalf of the Government during his stay in England in the years 1854–5?
- (2.) To whom were the goods so purchased invoiced and consigned?
- (3.) What amount of "Government Property" was so purchased?
- (4.) What amount of Police Clothing?
- (5.) In the sale of the "Police Clothing" to the constables, what advance on the invoice cost has been charged?
- (6.) What amount remains due by the "Clothing Fund" to the Treasury?
- (7.) Have any goods for the use of, or for sale to the police, lately arrived to the order of the Chief Commissioner of Police?
- (8.) If so, were they drawn against and on whom were the bills drawn?
- (9.) Are any such goods now under order?

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WILLS : To move for a Return shewing the number and description of Stock depastured on Crown Lands in this province during the last seven years respectively, and the Revenue derived therefrom by the State in each year.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SITWELL : To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
2. DR. EMBLING : To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
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4. MR. HEALES : To move, on the first Monday of the sitting of the House after Christmas, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made :—
 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

Dec. 19.—Final Printing Report. D.—No. 69.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 19.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[12].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 11.
Oaths of Office Bill (*as reported 18th Dec.*)
Increase of Members of Assembly Bill.
Message No. 1. B.—No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1857.

1. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to comply with the pledge of the Chief Secretary to place upon the Estimates a sufficient sum to repair the main approaches to the town of Geelong within the town boundary.
2. MR. WILKIE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works how many crossing places the Government propose to form over the line of the Williamstown Railway for the convenience of the inhabitants of Footscray.
3. MR. O'SHANASSY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Why the sum of £4,000 voted on the motion of Mr. Lalor, in the last session, for the formation of a road from Ballarat to Sebastopol, was not devoted to that purpose.
 - (2.) Whether it is in the power of the Central Road Board, after monies have been voted by the Legislature for certain works, to withhold or appropriate such monies for other purposes.
4. MR. LALOR: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General—
 - (1.) If the Government be aware whether some of the magistrates who took action in the dispute between the Bath and Clare parties on Ballarat had any interest in either of the claims.
 - (2.) Also, if the magistrates did not act illegally in refusing protection to the Clare party.
 - (3.) Also, if the magistrates did not act illegally in granting an injunction against the Clare party, and thereby preventing them mining on private property.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL—Second reading.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the prayer of the Petition of Mr. Christopherson be considered.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of Report.
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WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER.

1. DR. EVANS: To ask the Chief Secretary :—
 - (1.) To what amount did Mr. Mitchell purchase goods on behalf of the Government during his stay in England in the years 1854–5?
 - (2.) To whom were the goods so purchased invoiced and consigned?
 - (3.) What amount of "Government Property" was so purchased?
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 - (5.) In the sale of the "Police Clothing" to the constables, what advance on the invoice cost has been charged?
 - (6.) What amount remains due by the "Clothing Fund" to the Treasury?
 - (7.) Have any goods for the use of, or for sale to the police, lately arrived to the order of the Chief Commissioner of Police?
 - (8.) If so, were they drawn against and on whom were the bills drawn?
 - (9.) Are any such goods now under order?

2. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General by what authority the Master in Equity, as the Taxing Officer of the Supreme Court "in Equity," "in Insolvency," and "in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction," has been in the habit, since October, 1854, of taxing Solicitors' bills of costs at 50 per cent. more than the scale allowed by the rules of the Supreme Court, dated 29th November, 1853?
3. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the roads between Tarrangower, Avoca, and Dunolly, have been surveyed and laid out, as promised early last session; and if not, when will such surveys be carried out?

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILLS: To move for a Return shewing the number and description of Stock depastured on Crown Lands in this province during the last seven years respectively, and the Revenue derived therefrom by the State in each year.

MONDAY, 4TH JANUARY, 1858.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
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 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
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 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.
5. DR. OWENS: To move, on the House resolving itself into the Committee of Supply on the Vote for the Board of Land and Works, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of making preliminary Surveys and furnishing plans and sections of the principal Gold Fields, with the view of determining and reporting on the feasibility of Reservoirs, Artesian Wells, and Permanent Streams, as available sources for the adequate supply of water for Mining purposes.
6. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal 'Institutions in Victoria.'*"
7. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To move on the first Monday after Christmas recess, That an Address be presented to His Excellency praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.

6. CAPT. ANDERSON: To move, on the Honorable the Treasurer bringing the Military Estimates before the Committee of Supply, That No. 66 of page 43, as shewn in the printed Estimates for the current year, be withdrawn for alteration in accordance with the following scale:—

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Medical Storekeeper	150	0	0			
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 22nd December.

LIBRARY—at 12 o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at 2 o'clock.

FEDERAL UNION—at 3 o'clock.

MR. W. L. MORTON'S CASE—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

- Dec. 21.*—Progress Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Coal, with Evidence.
- Dec. 22.*—Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Talbot Election Petition. D.—No. 9.
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SESSION 1857.

- Dec. 21.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 12.
Minutes of Legislative Council, *as amended*, No. 1.
- Dec. 22.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[13].
Sewerage and Water Bill—(*as Reported 21st December.*)—To Members of Assembly only.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1857.

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3. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the roads between Tarrangower, Avoca, and Dunolly, have been surveyed and laid out, as promised early last session; and if not, when will such surveys be carried out?
4. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if the amount voted on the Estimates for 1857, for Vincent Pyke, Esq., one of the Sub-Commissioners of Emigration, has been forwarded to England for the use of that gentleman.
5. MR. O’SHANASSY: To ask the Chief Secretary when he proposes to take the second reading of the Bill increasing the number of Members of the Assembly.
6. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land Works whether the sum on the Estimates for opening the road between Mount Ararat and the Western Ports is to be expended on the portion of the road next the seaboard.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MOORE: To move, That the following gentlemen be appointed the Parliament Houses Committee, viz.:—Mr. Greeves, The Honorable the Speaker, Mr. Moore, Mr. Ebden, Mr. Gavan Duffy; three to form a quorum; and with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—Resolutions in Committee, to be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILLS: To move for a Return shewing the number and description of Stock depastured on Crown Lands in this province during the last seven years respectively, and the Revenue derived therefrom by the State in each year.
2. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, That the Select Committee on the Ballaarat Riots be re-appointed, to enquire into the claims for compensation arising out of the losses alleged to have been sustained at the time of, or in connection with, the destruction of Bentley’s Hotel, on Ballaarat, with power to take evidence, and to call for and examine all books, petitions, reports, or other documents relating thereto, now in the custody of the Government; and that the following Members be appointed to act on the Committee, viz., Mr. Haines, Mr. Michie, Mr. Ebden, Mr. Groeves, Mr. Horne, Mr. O’Shanassy, Mr. Harker, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Wood, Dr. Owens, Mr. Humffray; three to form a quorum.
3. DR. OWENS: To move, on the House resolving itself into the Committee of Supply on the Vote for the Board of Land and Works, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed on the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Ten thousand pounds, for the purpose of making preliminary Surveys and furnishing plans and sections of the principal Gold Fields, with the view of determining and reporting on the feasibility of Reservoirs, Artesian Wells, and Permanent Streams, as available sources for the adequate supply of water for Mining purposes.
4. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the prayer of the Petition of Mr. Christopherson be considered.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of Report.

MONDAY, 4TH JANUARY, 1858.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, on the first day of the sitting of the House after Christmas, for leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
3. DR. OWENS: To move, on the first sitting of the House after Christmas, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
4. MR. HEALES: To move, on the first Monday of the sitting of the House after Christmas, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made :—
 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.
5. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, for leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
6. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To move on the first Monday after Christmas recess, That an Address be presented to His Excellency praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
7. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day after the Christmas recess, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
8. MR. O'SHANASSY: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying him to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 an additional sum of One hundred thousand pounds, to be added to the amount for Roads and Bridges, and that the whole sum be re-distributed on the Estimates.
9. MR. HEALES: To move, on the first Monday after the Christmas recess, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

Dec. 23.—Final Report on Main's Petition, with Evidence, &c. D.—No. 67.
Savings Banks Returns. A.—No. 104.

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 23.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[14].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 13.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 3.
Sewerage and Water Bill—(as reported 21st December.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 5TH JANUARY, 1858.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, For leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
2. MR. MOORE:—To move, That the Acts 17 Victoria No. 20, and 19 Victoria No. 5, for raising and levying an Assessment on Stock may be read, with the view of moving that this House will on the following day resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the said Acts, in order to propose the following Rates of Assessment:—
For every 100 sheep the sum of £2 5s.
For every 25 head of cattle or horses, £2 16s. 3d.
3. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to restrain the careless use of fire.
4. DR. OWENS: To move, upon the reading of the Order of the Day to go into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is necessary to provide preliminary Surveys and furnish plans and sections of the principal Gold Fields, with the view of determining and reporting on the feasibility of Reservoirs, Artesian Wells, and Permanent Streams, as available sources for the adequate supply of water for Mining purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—Second reading.
 2. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL.—Second reading.
 3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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WEDNESDAY, 6TH JANUARY.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
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MONDAY, 11TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, For leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made:—
 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, For leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
4. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
5. MR. O'SHANASSY: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying him to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 an additional sum of One hundred thousand pounds, to be added to the amount for Roads and Bridges, and that the whole sum be re-distributed on the Estimates.

6. **MR. HEALES** : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **DR. OWENS** : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. **DR. OWENS** : To move, on an early day after the Christmas recess, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
3. **CAPT. CLARKE** : To move on an early day after the Christmas recess, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts ; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

Dec. 24.—List of Select Committees of Legislative Council. [Amended.]

SESSION 1857.

Dec. 24.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[15].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 14.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 3.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. MR. SNODGRASS : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether he has any objections to lay upon the Table of this House a Copy of the Instructions, if any, issued to the Members of the Board of Land and Works upon their appointment?
 - (2.) Whether since the present administration assumed office the system of the Survey and Sale of Lands has been in any way altered or improved?
 - (3.) Whether it is the intention of the Executive to attempt any alteration in the existing system of Survey and Sale of Lands before the passing of a Land Bill?
 - (4.) Whether the Executive have taken or intend taking any steps to procure accurate information upon the occupancy of Crown Lands by pastoral tenants or otherwise?
2. MR. ASPINALL : To ask the Treasurer whether the Government intend to rent some place as a temporary Telegraph Office at Beechworth, as was done at Longwood, pending the erection of the permanent Office, Beechworth at present deriving no benefit, though the telegraph is completed to Albury?
3. MR. ASPINALL : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Government advertisement, dated 15th December, calling for tenders for the erection of a Local Court at Avoca will be withdrawn, as the institution of a Court of Mines, and its probable establishment at the municipality of Maryborough, will do away with the necessity for a Local Court at Avoca?
4. MR. ASPINALL : To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether he is aware that the people of Creswick were informed by letter, about June last, from the Central Road Board, that a sum of £2000 had been set apart to build a Bridge and make Roads at that place?
 - (2.) When they are to have the Bridge?
 - (3.) What has been done with this money?
5. MR. SERVICE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General by what authority the Master in Equity, as the Taxing Officer of the Supreme Court “in Equity,” “in Insolvency,” and “in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction,” has been in the habit, since October, 1854, of taxing Solicitors’ bills of costs at 50 per cent. more than the scale allowed by the rules of the Supreme Court, dated 29th November, 1853?

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—Second reading.—Resumption of debate. (*To take precedence.*)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. EBDEN : To move, That this House do agree to the alteration proposed by the Legislative Council in the number of the quorum of the Refreshment Rooms Committee, and adopt the proposed rule as an additional Joint Standing Order.
2. DR OWENS : To move, That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause the sum of £10,000 to be placed on the Estimates to provide preliminary surveys and furnish plans and sections of the principal Gold Fields, and for ascertaining and reporting on the feasibility of reservoirs, Artesian wells, and permanent streams as available sources for the adequate supply of water for mining purposes.
3. MR. CHAPMAN : To move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of “*The Sewerage and Water Act Amendment Bill*” be discharged; and that the said Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering the proviso in the second section, and other clauses.
4. MR. HAINES : To move, That the second reading of the “*Bill to increase the number of Members of the Legislative Assembly and to alter the Electoral Districts,*” be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, the 7th January instant.
5. MR. HAINES : To move, That the second reading of the “*Bill to regulate Parliamentary Elections,*” be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 7th January instant.
6. MR. HUMFRAY : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the Petition presented to His Excellency from the Inhabitants of Ballarat, relative to the disparity in the distribution of the Estimates under the Public Works Department, be laid on the Table of the House.
7. MR. FINDLAY : 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, praying that a sum of £5000 should be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony

8. MR. HAINES: To move, That the resolution adopted by the House on 4th December, to the effect that Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, in each week, be the days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business during the present session, be rescinded, and that Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week be the days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business.
9. MR. HAINES: To move, That on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, in each week, the Government Business shall take precedence of all business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

2. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK—RESOLUTIONS.—To be considered in Committee.
4. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 7TH JANUARY.

1. MR. GRANT: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what is the reason that no amount is placed on the Estimates for Works on the Murray Road between Sandhurst and Huntley (say from Basset's Bridge to Queen's Bridge), and in Napier street, White Hills, and for the Mount Korong Road and McIvor Road, works which the Municipal Council had been led to believe by the Road Board authorities had been only deferred during 1857 for placing on the present Estimates, and for which sections and estimates have been prepared by the District Engineer.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858:—

(1.)	124 Warders, increase 2s. per day	...	...	...	...	£4,526	0	0
(2.)	8 Overseers, ,, £70 per annum	...	...	...	...	560	0	0
(3.)	11 Corporals, ,, 6d. per day	...	...	...	...	100	7	6
(4.)	6 Sergeants, ,, 1s. 6d. per day	...	...	...	...	164	5	0
Total							£5,350	12	6

2. MR. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Dr. Evans, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Snodgrass, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Heales, Mr. Service, and Mr. Fellows, be appointed to enquire into the charges and imputations preferred by the Honorable the Attorney General against Mr. John A. Porter, the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, in his statements made before the Committee of Supply of this House, and for the production of all documents referred to by the Honorable the Attorney General in his speeches on that occasion; three to form a quorum.

FRIDAY, 8TH JANUARY, 1858.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.

MONDAY, 11TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, For leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made:—
- (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.

3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, For leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
4. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
5. MR. O'SHANASSY : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying him to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 an additional sum of One hundred thousand pounds, to be added to the amount for Roads and Bridges, and that the whole sum be re-distributed on the Estimates.
6. MR. HEALES : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

TUESDAY, 19TH JANUARY, 1858.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. SITWELL : To move, For leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day after the Christmas recess, That it is the opinion of this House that adequate compensation should be, and be hereafter made, to Members of the Assembly, for the loss of time and expense incurred in the discharge of their public duties in Parliament.
3. CAPT. CLARKE : To move on an early day after the Christmas recess, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts ; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
4. MR. HEALES : To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Dec.* 29.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 15.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 4.
- Jan.* 6.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[16].
Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Assembly.—No. 1.
Education Bill.
Election of Members Bill.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. **MR. GRANT:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what is the reason that no amount is placed on the Estimates for Works on the Murray Road between Sandhurst and Huntley (say from Basset's Bridge to Queen's Bridge), and in Napier street, White Hills, and for the Mount Korong Road and McIvor Road, works which the Municipal Council had been led to believe by the Road Board authorities had been only deferred during 1857 for placing on the present Estimates, and for which sections and estimates have been prepared by the District Engineer.
2. **MR. SERVICE:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney General—
 - (1.) Whether those persons whose names are on the present Electoral Rolls as freeholders, and who hold the same freehold qualification as before, require to register anew.
 - (2.) Whether those persons whose names are on the present Electoral Rolls under a leasehold or salary qualification, will be transferred by the Registrars to the new lists under the manhood qualification, or whether they must send in claims to be registered anew.
3. **MR. ASPINALL:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer the amount of money mis-appropriated to the Mount Alexander Road; from what objects it has been diverted, and in what manner such objects are now to be provided for.
4. **MR. ASPINALL:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Why no provision has been made on the Estimates for improving the state of the Government road near the Moolart Hill, in Carisbrook.
 - (2.) Whether he is aware that this road, situate about a mile east from Carisbrook, is impassable from the number of very large stones in it, and that the drivers of vehicles are in consequence obliged to go through private property and pay toll for that privilege.
 - (3.) Whether he is aware that a considerable quantity of land has been sold in the district at very high prices, without any portion of the money arising therefrom having been expended in the making or improving of the roads in the immediate neighbourhood of the municipality.
5. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why no instructions have been sent to the District Road Surveyor of Ballarat East, directing him to deliver up to the Municipal Council thereof, free from obstructions, all the proclaimed cross roads within the said municipal boundary.
6. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the Government is prepared to place on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858—
 - (1.) The sum of £1000 towards the building of an Hospital at Buninyong.
 - (2.) The sum of £200 towards maintenance of patients in said Hospital, provided the inhabitants of Buninyong subscribe the usual proportionate amount.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **ASSEMBLY MEMBERS' INCREASE BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **ELECTIONS REGULATION BILL.**—Second reading.
3. **ASSESSMENT ON STOCK—RESOLUTIONS.**—To be considered in Committee.
4. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HEALES:** To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858:—

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Total £5,350 12 6

2. **MR. SMITH:** To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Dr. Evans, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Snodgrass, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Heales, Mr. Service, and Mr. Fellows, be appointed to enquire into the charges and imputations preferred by the Honorable the Attorney General against Mr. John A. Porter, the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, in his statements made before the Committee of Supply of this House, and for the production of all documents referred to by the Honorable the Attorney General in his speeches on that occasion; three to form a quorum.

FRIDAY, 8TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ASPINALL : To move for a return of the quantity of gold sent from Maryborough, Amherst, and Dunolly respectively, during the six months ending 31st December, 1857.
2. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move for a Select Committee to consider and report upon the circumstances which have led to the removal of Mr. Charles Poole from the Public Service, and that such Committee shall consist of Mr. Moore, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Humffray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Ireland, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
3. DR. OWENS : To move, That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause the sum of £10,000 to be placed on the Estimates to provide preliminary surveys and furnish plans and sections of the principal Gold Fields, and for ascertaining and reporting on the feasibility of reservoirs, Artesian wells, and permanent streams as available sources for the adequate supply of water for mining purposes.
4. MR. CHAPMAN : To move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of "*The Sewerage and Water Act Amendment Bill*" be discharged; and that the said Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering the proviso in the second section, and other clauses.
5. MR. FINDLAY : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday, 12th January instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £5000 should be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
2. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed.
3. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.

MONDAY, 11TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. EMBLING : To move, For leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. HEALES : To move, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made :—
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TUESDAY, 12TH JANUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. THOMSON: To move for a Return of Expenditure by the Commissioners of Sewerage and Water Supply on the Waterworks for the City of Melbourne, distinguishing the temporary from the permanent works.
Also, the amount expended by the Survey Department on the various surveys required for these works.
Also, the amount expended by the Road Department in connection with these works.
Also, the various sums advanced by the Government in respect to these works, and the amount still due on this account.
Also, the various sums received by the Commissioners on Debentures and other Securities, and the amount now owing, and the total amount paid for interest on the same.
Also, the amount received by the Commissioners from companies and private individuals.

THURSDAY, 14TH JANUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 7th January.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 8TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. MR. IRELAND : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether any plan of Gaol Buildings has been adopted for Ballarat; and if so, whether it is intended to erect Gaol Buildings at Castlemaine, after a similar plan.
2. DR. OWENS : To ask the President of the Board of Land Works; as the Act to appropriate the Consolidated Revenue for 1857 provides three thousand and four hundred pounds for the purpose of making a bridge over the Loddon at Bryant's crossing place and improving the approaches, and as the Secretary of the Central Road Board states, "although the whole of the particular item in question has not been expended, yet the cost of the other works in the District having largely exceeded the Board's estimates they are left entirely without funds," what is the amount and to what purpose is the sum mis-appropriated.
3. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Why the Benevolent Asylum at Sandhurst cannot get the grant of land for that institution, according to the promise made by Captain Clarke when Surveyor General, that seventeen acres one rood and seven perches would be granted?
 - (2.) Why the sum of £3000 for building, and £1500 for maintenance, is not provided for; as Captain Clarke stated that a grant of money for the erection of the buildings and for maintenance would receive the consideration of Government; and as the Committee were led to anticipate by the Chief Secretary, in a letter dated June 10th—"Assuring the Committee their claims and all similar demands will receive due attention when the Estimates for 1858 are under consideration." And again on 11th September—"The claims of the Benevolent Asylum shall have every attention when the Estimates for 1858 are being drawn up."?

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ASPINALL : To move for a return of the quantity of gold sent from Maryborough, Amherst, and Dunolly respectively, during the six months ending 31st December, 1857.
2. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move for a Select Committee to consider and report upon the circumstances which have led to the removal of Mr. Charles Poole from the Public Service, and that such Committee shall consist of Mr. Moore, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Humffray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Ireland, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
3. DR. OWENS : To move, That the House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause the sum of £10,000 to be placed on the Estimates to provide preliminary surveys and furnish plans and sections of the principal Gold Fields, and for ascertaining and reporting on the feasibility of reservoirs, Artesian wells, and permanent streams as available sources for the adequate supply of water for mining purposes.
4. MR. CHAPMAN : To move, That the Order of the Day for the third reading of "*The Sewerage and Water Act Amendment Bill*" be discharged; and that the said Bill be recommitted for the purpose of reconsidering the proviso in the second section, and other clauses.
5. MR. FINDLAY : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday, 12th January instant, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £5000 should be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
6. MR. LALOR : To move for a Return of the Amount of Revenue derived from the imposition of the Duty on Opium since the passing of the Act.
7. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move on the Order of the Day for the Committal of the Education Bill being read, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill submitted to a Select Committee, to consist of nine Members, three to form a quorum.
8. MR. HAINES : To move, Contingent upon the "Assembly Members Increase Bill," and the "Elections Regulations Bill," being read a second time, that these Bills be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. C. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Ebdon, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Horne, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Langlands, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Syme, Mr. Wood and the Mover; five to form a quorum.

9. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858:—

(1.) 124 Warders, increase 2s. per day	... ..	£4,526	0	0
(2.) 8 Overseers, ,, £70 per annum	... ..	560	0	0
(3.) 11 Corporals, ,, 6d. per day	... ..	100	7	6
(4.) 6 Sergeants, ,, 1s. 6d. per day	... ..	164	5	0
Total	... ..	£5,350	12	6

10. MR. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Dr. Evans, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Snodgrass, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Heales, Mr. Service, and Mr. Fellows, be appointed to enquire into the charges and imputations preferred by the Honorable the Attorney General against Mr. John A. Porter, the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, in his statements made before the Committee of Supply of this House, and for the production of all documents referred to by the Honorable the Attorney General in his speeches on that occasion; three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
2. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed.
3. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.

MONDAY, 11TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, For leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made:—
 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, For leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
4. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
5. MR. O'SHANASSY: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying him to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 an additional sum of One hundred thousand pounds, to be added to the amount for Roads and Bridges, and that the whole sum be re-distributed on the Estimates.
6. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.

TUESDAY, 12TH JANUARY.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK—RESOLUTIONS.—To be considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. THOMSON : To move for a Return of Expenditure by the Commissioners of Sewerage and Water Supply on the Waterworks for the City of Melbourne, distinguishing the temporary from the permanent works.
Also, the amount expended by the Survey Department on the various surveys required for these works.
Also, the amount expended by the Road Department in connection with these works.
Also, the various sums advanced by the Government in respect to these works, and the amount still due on this account.
Also, the various sums received by the Commissioners on Debentures and other Securities, and the amount now owing, and the total amount paid for interest on the same.
Also, the amount received by the Commissioners from companies and private individuals.
2. MR. SNODGRASS : To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district, in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary ; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

THURSDAY, 14TH JANUARY.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. DR. THOMSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.

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General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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3. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts ; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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&c. D.—No. 2.
Careless use of Fire Bill. (*To Members of Assembly only.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 12TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works to inform the House how the misappropriated sum of £34,000 was expended on the Mount Alexander Road, stating—
 - (1.) The specific work done, together with the amount paid for the same.
 - (2.) The date of the contract or contracts.
 - (3.) And the names of the contractors.
 - (4.) On what principle the balance left after the above mentioned misappropriation had taken place was expended on the particular works to which it was applied.
2. MR. CHAPMAN: To ask the Commissioner of Trade and Customs whether the Government have made any provision, or whether it is the intention of the Government to carry the Electric Telegraph from Kilmore to Heathcote.
3. MR. CHAPMAN: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether the Government are disposed to establish three mails per week to Heathcote and Rushworth instead of two, and to Murchison instead of one only as now established.
4. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works to inform the House what were the terms and conditions on which the several Contracts were taken for the supply of Railway Plant; and whether the terms and conditions have been in every respect complied with in letting contracts.

Government Business:—

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1. MR. HAINES: To move, contingent upon the appointment of the Committee to consider the Reform Bills, That Capt. Clarke be an additional member.
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3. MR. HANCOCK: To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Mr. Grant, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the Assembly.
4. MR. ASPINALL: To move, contingent upon the appointment of the Committee to consider the Reform Bills, That the names of Mr. Humffray and Dr. Owens be added to the Committee.
5. MR. WILKIE: To move, contingent upon the "*Assembly Members Increase Bill*," and the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," being referred to a Select Committee, That the name of Dr. Greeves be added to that Committee.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.
2. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH JANUARY.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) To what Mechanics Institutions has money been granted.
 - (2.) What is the amount and date of the grants to each Institution, and on what grounds were the grants conceded.
 - (3.) What Institutions have applied for grants; the date and amount of application, and for what reasons they were refused.

THURSDAY, 14TH JANUARY.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 15TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, For leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made:—
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5. MR. HEALES: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.
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TUESDAY, 19TH JANUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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6. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) To what Mechanics Institutions has money been granted.
 - (2.) What is the amount and date of the grants to each Institution, and on what grounds were the grants conceded.
 - (3.) What Institutions have applied for grants; the date and amount of application, and for what reasons they were refused.
2. MR. BLAIR: To ask the Treasurer what arrangements have been made for the conveyance of the Mails between Kyneton, Daylesford, and Castlemaine during the present year.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, contingent upon the appointment of the Committee to consider the Reform Bills, That Capt. Clarke be an additional member.
2. MR. HAINES: To move, That the "Assembly Members Increase Bill," the "Elections Regulations Bill," and the "Duration of Assembly Bill" be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. C. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Ebdon, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Horne, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Langlands, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Syme, Mr. Wood, and the Mover; five to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That on Friday, the 22nd instant, the House be called.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."
3. MR. SNODGRASS: To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
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2. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed.

FRIDAY, 22ND JANUARY.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering—That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to Members of the Assembly for the loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that he will cause adequate provision to be made on the Estimates for 1859 accordingly.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HEALES: To move, upon the House going into Committee of Supply, That it be an instruction to the Committee to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858 :—

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(2.)	8 Overseers, „ £70 per annum	560	0	0
(3.)	11 Corporals, „ 6d. per day	100	7	6
(4.)	6 Sergeants, „ 1s. 6d. per day	164	5	0

Total £5,350 12 6

4. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Jan. 15.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day—[22].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 21.
 Expenditure for 1855.
 Rules for Guidance of Treasurer.
 General Regulations respecting Public Accounts.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 19TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) To what Mechanics Institutions has money been granted.
 - (2.) What is the amount and date of the grants to each Institution, and on what grounds were the grants conceded.
 - (3.) What Institutions have applied for grants; the date and amount of application, and for what reasons they were refused.
2. MR. BLAIR: To ask the Treasurer what arrangements have been made for the conveyance of the Mails between Kyneton, Daylesford, and Castlemaine during the present year.
3. MR. BROOKE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has any objection to lay upon the Table of the House, a statement in detail of the manner in which £25,000 recently voted for the employment of the unemployed has been expended, together with a statement of all or any contracts and arrangements made for the disbursement of the same.
4. MR. HANCOCK: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, the cost of construction of the Barwon Bridge at Geelong, and of the Church-street Bridge at Richmond, respectively.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, contingent upon the appointment of the Committee to consider the Reform Bills, That Capt. Clarke be an additional member.
2. MR. HAINES: To move, That the "Assembly Members Increase Bill," the "Elections Regulations Bill," and the "Duration of Assembly Bill" be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. C. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Ebdon, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Horne, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Langlands, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Syme, Mr. Wood, and the Mover; five to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK—RESOLUTIONS.—To be considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That on Friday, the 22nd instant, the House be called.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."
3. MR. SNODGRASS: To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

4. MR. ASPINALL : To move, contingent upon the appointment of the Committee to consider the Reform Bills, That the names of Mr. Humffray and Dr. Owens be added to the Committee.
5. MR. WILKIE : To move, contingent upon the "*Assembly Members Increase Bill*," and the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," being referred to a Select Committee, That the name of Dr. Greeves be added to that Committee.
6. MR. O'SHANASSY : To move, on the Order of the Day for going into Committee of Supply being read, That it be an instruction to the Committee to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 an additional sum of One hundred thousand pounds, to be added to the amount for Roads and Bridges, and that the whole sum be redistributed on the Estimates.
7. DR. THOMSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.
8. DR. EMBLING : To move, For leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
9. MR. HEALES : To move, That this House, feeling confident that the policy pursued by the Central Road Board with reference to the formation and repairs of the roads of this Colony is neither a politic nor an economic one, is of opinion that the country would be materially advantaged if the following alterations were made :—
 - (1.) That the meetings of the Board be open to the Press.
 - (2.) That the present practice of employing and contracting for day laborers, and of receiving separate tenders for metal and spreading, be discontinued.
 - (3.) That such portions of main lines of road as lie within municipal boundaries and road districts be placed under the superintendence of the municipal authorities and the District Road Board; and that the Central Road Board furnish them their fair quota of the money granted for making and keeping main lines of road in repair, on receiving a certificate that the money has been spent on the portions of the road for which it was voted.
 - (4.) That where Road Boards and Municipalities have not been formed, and where Committees approved by the Central Road Board would undertake the superintendence of portions of the main lines of road, such portions be placed under the supervision of Committees.
10. MR. HANCOCK : To move, For leave to bring in "*A Bill to amend an Act intituled 'An Act for the establishment of Municipal Institutions in Victoria.'*"
11. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
12. MR. HEALES : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon the Estimates the sum of £255 as compensation to Mr. J. P. Main, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly laid on the Table of this House during last Session.
13. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move for a Select Committee to consider and report upon the circumstances which have led to the removal of Mr. Charles Poole from the Public Service, and that such Committee shall consist of Mr. Moore, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Humffray, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Ireland, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
14. MR. FINDLAY : 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
15. MR. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee, consisting of Dr. Evans, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Snodgrass, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Langlands, Mr. Heales, Mr. Service, and Mr. Fellows, be appointed to enquire into the charges and imputations preferred by the Honorable the Attorney General against Mr. John A. Porter, the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, in his statements made before the Committee of Supply of this House, and for the production of all documents referred to by the Honorable the Attorney General in his speeches on that occasion; three to form a quorum.
16. MR. SITWELL : To move, For leave to bring in a Bill to limit and define the jurisdiction of Territorial Justices within Municipal Districts.
17. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move on the Order of the Day for the Committal of the Education Bill being read, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill submitted to a Select Committee, to consist of nine Members, three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY OF WATER TO THE GOLD FIELDS—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
2. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.
4. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed.

FRIDAY, 22ND JANUARY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering—That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to Members of the Assembly for the loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that he will cause adequate provision to be made on the Estimates for 1859 accordingly.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HEALES: To move, upon the House going into Committee of Supply, That it be an instruction to the Committee to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858:—

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Total £5,350 12 6

4. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 19th January.

MELBOURNE AND EMERALD HILL CORRESPONDENCE—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he has any objection to procure and lay on the Table of the House a Return of the number of "Claims to be registered" received by the Registrars of the several Electoral Districts in Victoria respectively.
2. MR. CHAPMAN: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1). Whether the Government is prepared to advise His Excellency the Governor to recommend to this House a vote of money in aid of the Indian Relief Fund.
 - (2). Whether it is the intention of the Government to take any steps by proclamation or otherwise, to invite the inhabitants of this Colony to offer their private contributions to the same fund.
3. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To call the attention of the Chief Secretary to the fact that the newspapers received by the last English mail are still in course of delivery, twelve days after the receipt of the mail; and to inquire if any measures will be taken by the Government to prevent a recurrence of this inordinate delay.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HORNE: To move, That in the opinion of this House the several Members of the Parliament of Victoria be provided with bound copies of the Acts of Parliament of the last Session.
2. DR. OWENS: To move, That the First Report of the Printing Committee, presented on the 17th December last, be now adopted.
3. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."
4. MR. O'SHANASSY: To move, on the Order of the Day for going into Committee of Supply being read, That it be an instruction to the Committee to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 an additional sum of One hundred thousand pounds, to be added to the amount for Roads and Bridges, and that the whole sum be redistributed on the Estimates.
5. MR. FINDLAY: 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
2. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

THURSDAY, 21ST JANUARY.

1. DR. THOMSON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer how the Government intend to distribute the money already voted for municipalities.
2. DR. THOMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to forward a mail from Geelong to Melbourne by every train.
3. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General how it is that the appointment of members of the Mining Board is so disproportioned to the distribution of population in the District of Maryborough, viz. :—Maryborough, five members; Avoca, one member; Amherst, one member; Dunolly, two members; and Korong, one member; whereby a large portion of the miners will be wholly unrepresented.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. JOHNSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858, the sum of £1,500 for the purpose of conveying the water from the River Thomson through the township of Sale.
2. MR. HANCOCK : To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.
3. MR. SMITH : To move, That on Friday next the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £25,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, in aid of the Funds of the Melbourne Corporation; and the sum of £10,000 in aid of the Corporation of Geelong.
4. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL : 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, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.

FRIDAY, 22ND JANUARY.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed. (*To take precedence.*)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering—That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to Members of the Assembly for the loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that he will cause adequate provision to be made on the Estimates for 1859 accordingly.
2. DR. EMBLING : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
3. MR. BROOKE : To move, That the prayer of the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Geelong, praying the suspension of the Standing Orders, so that they may be in a position to ask the House for an Act of Incorporation to incorporate a Company to supply the Town of Geelong with Gas, be taken into consideration with a view to such prayer being granted.
4. DR. THOMSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.
5. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move on the Order of the Day for the Commitment of the Education Bill being read, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill submitted to a Select Committee, to consist of nine Members, three to form a quorum.

TUESDAY, 26TH JANUARY.

1. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General as to the construction of the Act for the recovery of Small Debts. As clause XXII. provides for two Justices of the Peace to make an order for the payment to complainant, under what provision of the Act can this order be enforced? Can Justices legally under this Act commit for one month in default of distress; if so, where is the power provided? What clause of the Act provides for the arbitrary and unjust power to commit for one month, and can the Judge exercise any discretion in committal in cases of evident hardship.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
(To take precedence.)

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended, with the view of enabling him, during the adjournment of the House, to give public notice of his intention to introduce the Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company's Act Amendment Bill.
2. MR. SNODGRASS: To move—
- (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

3. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 29TH JANUARY.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.—House to be called.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 20th January.

MELBOURNE AND EMERALD HILL CORRESPONDENCE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 21st January.

REFORM BILLS—at half-past 11 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Jan. 20.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[24].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 23.
Immigration Report for 1856.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 21ST JANUARY, 1858.

1. DR. THOMSON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer how the Government intend to distribute the money already voted for municipalities.
2. DR. THOMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to forward a mail from Geelong to Melbourne by every train.
3. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General how it is that the appointment of members of the Mining Board is so disproportioned to the distribution of population in the District of Maryborough, viz. :—Maryborough, five members ; Avoca, one member ; Amherst, one member ; Dunolly, two members ; and Korong, one member ; whereby a large portion of the miners will be wholly unrepresented.
4. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if he has been informed that the Diggers at Carngham had rendered impassable the only roads by which communications could be kept up with Geelong, and what steps he proposes to take in consequence.
5. MR. LALOR : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether any correspondence has taken place between the Government and Mr. A. K. Smith, with reference to the occupation of certain Crown lands in the vicinity of Melbourne.

Government Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HAINES : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the state of the Lunatic Asylum, with power to take evidence and call for papers, such Committee to consist of the following members, viz. :—Capt. Clarke, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Dr. Embling, Dr. Findlay, Dr. Greeves, Mr. Horne, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Michie, Mr. Moore, Mr. Smith, Dr. Owens, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. J. JOHNSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858, the sum of £1,500 for the purpose of conveying the water from the River Thomson through the township of Sale.
2. MR. HANCOCK : To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose ; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.
3. MR. SMITH : To move, That on Friday next the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £25,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, in aid of the Funds of the Melbourne Corporation ; and the sum of £10,000 in aid of the Corporation of Geelong.
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| (2.) | 8 Overseers, ,, £70 per annum | ... | ... | ... | ... | 560 | 0 | 0 |
| (3.) | 11 Corporals, ,, 6d. per day | ... | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 7 | 6 |
| (4.) | 6 Sergeants, ,, 1s. 6d. per day | ... | ... | ... | ... | 164 | 5 | 0 |
| | Total | ... | ... | ... | ... | £5,350 | 12 | 6 |

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
2. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

FRIDAY, 22ND JANUARY.

1. MR. O'SHANASSY: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Why the Government have not granted a site of land in Melbourne for a Trades Hall and Literary Institute.
 - (2.) Whether the Government will grant a site for such purposes; if so, when.
2. CAPT. PERRY: To ask the Chief Secretary what compensation is to be given to Messrs. Horne and Eastman, officers of the late Water Police Force, and to several constables who, after serving for a period of four years on the understanding that they should receive a pension at the expiration of ten years, have been lately dismissed through declining to undertake duties foreign to those they agreed for, and such as in no way appertain to the duties of a Harbor Water Police.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be committed. (*To take precedence.*)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering—That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to Members of the Assembly for the loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that he will cause adequate provision to be made on the Estimates for 1859 accordingly.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
3. MR. BROOKE: To move, That the prayer of the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Geelong, praying the suspension of the Standing Orders, so that they may be in a position to ask the House for an Act of Incorporation to incorporate a Company to supply the Town of Geelong with Gas, be taken into consideration with a view to such prayer being granted.
4. DR. THOMSON: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.
5. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move on the Order of the Day for the Committal of the Education Bill being read, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill submitted to a Select Committee, to consist of nine Members, three to form a quorum.
6. MR. ADAMSON: To move, That inasmuch as this House has virtually been in continued session since the time of its first assembling in November, 1856, it is expedient that the Estimates be at once proceeded with, and brought to a conclusion, and that a recess of at least four months should follow.
7. MR. ADAMSON: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House any Correspondence which has taken place relative to the communication between Melbourne and Merton and Mansfield.

TUESDAY, 26TH JANUARY.

1. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General as to the construction of the Act for the recovery of Small Debts. As clause XXII. provides for two Justices of the Peace to make an order for the payment to complainant, under what provision of the Act can this order be enforced? Can Justices legally under this Act commit for one month in default of distress; if so, where is the power provided? What clause of the Act provides for the arbitrary and unjust power to commit for one month, and can the Judge exercise any discretion in committal in cases of evident hardship.
2. CAPT. PERRY : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) What is the nature and extent of the Marine Surveys effected by Captain Ross in the *Lælia*.
 - (2.) When it is likely some Charts or Plans of such Surveys will be published for the benefit of navigators.
 - (3.) What was the cost of the *Lælia*—the period she was employed by the Government, and the expense of her equipment during that period.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee. (*To take precedence.*)

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. THOMSON : To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended, with the view of enabling him, during the adjournment of the House, to give public notice of his intention to introduce the Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company's Act Amendment Bill.
2. MR. SNODGRASS : To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lauds that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 29TH JANUARY.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.—House to be called.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 21st January.

REFORM BILLS—at half-past 11 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Jan. 21.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[25].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 24.
 Census Returns—Part I.—Population Tables.
 Interest on Loans. A.—No. 16.
 Printing Report. D.—No. 1.
 Local Court Rules. A.—No. 6.
 Local Court Rules. A.—No. 7.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1858.

1. DR. THOMSON : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer how the Government intend to distribute the money already voted for municipalities.
2. DR. THOMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary whether it be the intention of the Government to forward a mail from Geelong to Melbourne by every train.
3. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General how it is that the appointment of members of the Mining Board is so disproportioned to the distribution of population in the District of Maryborough, viz. :—Maryborough, five members ; Avoca, one member ; Amherst, one member ; Dunolly, two members ; and Korong, one member ; whereby a large portion of the miners will be wholly unrepresented.
4. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if he has been informed that the Diggers at Carngham had rendered impassable the only roads by which communications could be kept up with Geelong, and what steps he proposes to take in consequence.
5. MR. LALOR : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether any correspondence has taken place between the Government and Mr. A. K. Smith, with reference to the occupation of certain Crown lands in the vicinity of Melbourne.
6. MR. O'SHANASSY : To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Why the Government have not granted a site of land in Melbourne for a Trades Hall and Literary Institute.
 - (2.) Whether the Government will grant a site for such purposes ; if so, when.
7. CAPT. PERRY : To ask the Chief Secretary what compensation is to be given to Messrs. Horne and Eastman, officers of the late Water Police Force, and to several constables who, after serving for a period of four years on the understanding that they should receive a pension at the expiration of ten years, have been lately dismissed through declining to undertake duties foreign to those they agreed for, and such as in no way appertain to the duties of a Harbor Water Police.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL—To be committed. (*To take precedence.*)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the state of the Lunatic Asylum, with power to take evidence and call for papers, such Committee to consist of the following members, viz. :—Capt. Clarke, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Dr. Embling, Dr. Findlay, Dr. Greeves, Mr. Horne, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Michie, Mr. Moore, Mr. Smith, Dr. Owens, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum.
2. MR. J. JOHNSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858, the sum of £1500 for the purpose of conveying the water from the River Thomson through the township of Sale.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose ; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.
4. MR. SMITH : To move, That on Tuesday next the House resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £25,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, in aid of the Funds of the Melbourne Corporation ; and the sum of £10,000 in aid of the Corporation of Geelong.
5. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL : 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, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.

6. DR. OWENS : To move, That the First Report of the Printing Committee, presented on the 17th December last, be now adopted.
7. MR. HEALES : To move, in Committee on the " *Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first " *Appropriation Bill*."
8. MR. FINDLAY : 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
9. MR. HEALES : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858 :—

(1.)	124 Warders, increase 2s. per day	...	...	...	...	£4,526	0	0
(2.)	8 Overseers, ,, £70 per annum	...	...	...	...	560	0	0
(3.)	11 Corporals, ,, 6d. per day	...	...	...	...	100	7	6
(4.)	6 Sergeants, ,, 1s. 6d. per day	...	...	...	...	164	5	0
Total						£5,350	12	6

10. DR. OWENS : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering—That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to Members of the Assembly for the loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament, and that an Address be presented to His Excellency, praying that he will cause adequate provision to be made on the Estimates for 1859 accordingly.
11. DR. EMBLING : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better regulation of the Professions of Medicine and Surgery in the Colony of Victoria.
12. MR. BROOKE : To move, That the prayer of the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Geelong, praying the suspension of the Standing Orders, so that they may be in a position to ask the House for an Act of Incorporation to incorporate a Company to supply the Town of Geelong with Gas, be taken into consideration with a view to such prayer being granted.
13. DR. THOMSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.
14. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move on the Order of the Day for the Committal of the Education Bill being read, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill submitted to a Select Committee, to consist of nine Members, three to form a quorum.
15. MR. ADAMSON : To move, That inasmuch as this House has virtually been in continued session since the time of its first assembling in November, 1856, it is expedient that the Estimates be at once proceeded with, and brought to a conclusion, and that a recess of at least four months should follow.
16. MR. ADAMSON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House any Correspondence which has taken place relative to the communication between Melbourne and Merton and Mansfield.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

2. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

TUESDAY, 26TH JANUARY.

1. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General as to the construction of the Act for the recovery of Small Debts. As clause XXII. provides for two Justices of the Peace to make an order for the payment to complainant, under what provision of the Act can this order be enforced? Can Justices legally under this Act commit for one month in default of distress; if so, where is the power provided? What clause of the Act provides for the arbitrary and unjust power to commit for one month, and can the Judge exercise any discretion in committal in cases of evident hardship.
2. CAPT. PERRY : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) What is the nature and extent of the Marine Surveys effected by Captain Ross in the *Lælia*.
 - (2.) When it is likely some Charts or Plans of such Surveys will be published for the benefit of navigators.
 - (3.) What was the cost of the *Lælia*—the period she was employed by the Government, and the expense of her equipment during that period.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
(To take precedence.)

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended, with the view of enabling him, during the adjournment of the House, to give public notice of his intention to introduce the Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company's Act Amendment Bill.
2. MR. SNODGRASS: To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 29TH JANUARY.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.—House to be called.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 22nd January.

REFORM BILLS—at half-past 11 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Jan. 22.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[26].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 25.
Bill to Shorten duration of Parliament.
Amended Bill to provide for Public Education.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 26TH JANUARY, 1858.

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4. MR. HANCOCK: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether his attention has been called to the 22nd section of the Audit Act, 21 Victoria No. 24; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to prevent the great delay and inconvenience occasioned to the public by the circumlocutory proceedings pursued at the Treasury in paying out monies from the "Suitors' Fund."

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
(*To take precedence.*)

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move for leave to bring up a Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the Reform Bills.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended, with the view of enabling him, during the adjournment of the House, to give public notice of his intention to introduce the Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company's Act Amendment Bill.
2. MR. SNODGRASS: To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
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- (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.
3. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, That the Petition from Mr. Anderson, signed on behalf of a Public Meeting of the Electors and Ratepayers of South Melbourne, against the proposed Schedule in the Increase of Assembly Members Bill, be referred to the Select Committee now sitting on the Reform Bills.
4. MR. WILKIE: To move, That the Petition presented by him on the 12th January, from the Inhabitants of Bacchus Marsh, against the joining of East and West Bourke into one Electoral District, as proposed by the Government, be referred to the Reform Bills Committee.
5. CAPT. PERRY: To move, That the Petition from Williamstown, against the clause of the Members Increase Bill which proposes to annex Williamstown to South Melbourne, be referred to the Committee now considering that Bill.
6. MR. SMITH: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £25,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, in aid of the Funds of the Melbourne Corporation; and the sum of £10,000 in aid of the Corporation of Geelong.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

2. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH JANUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: 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, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."
3. MR. HEALES: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858:—
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| (1.) | 124 Warders, increase 2s. per day | ... | ... | ... | ... | £4,526 | 0 | 0 |
| (2.) | 8 Overseers, ,, £70 per annum | ... | ... | ... | ... | 560 | 0 | 0 |
| (3.) | 11 Corporals, ,, 6d. per day | ... | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 7 | 6 |
| (4.) | 6 Sergeants, ,, 1s. 6d. per day | ... | ... | ... | ... | 164 | 5 | 0 |
| Total | | | | | | £5,350 | 12 | 6 |
4. MR. BROOKE: To move, That the prayer of the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Geelong, praying the suspension of the Standing Orders, so that they may be in a position to ask the House for an Act of Incorporation to incorporate a Company to supply the Town of Geelong with Gas, be taken into consideration with a view to such prayer being granted.

THURSDAY, 28TH JANUARY.

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL —To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 29TH JANUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will on Tuesday next resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the following resolutions:—
- (1.) That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to members of the Assembly for loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament.
 - (2.) That a Bill be brought in to provide such compensation, at the rate of per annum, for each member of the Assembly from the commencement of the ensuing session of the Legislature.
2. DR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

3. MR. J. JOHNSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858, the sum of £1500 for the purpose of conveying the water from the River Thomson through the township of Sale.
4. MR. HANCOCK : To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.
5. MR. FINDLAY : 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
6. DR. THOMSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.—House to be called.
2. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 26th January.

REFORM BILLS—at half-past 11 o'clock.

CITY OF MELBOURNE AND EMERALD HILL CORRESPONDENCE—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Jan. 23.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[27].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 26.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. MR. WOOD: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) When a Warden will be appointed for the Omeo Gold Field.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to make any provision for the occasional visit of a Warden to the Gold Field situated on the Snowy Creek; and if so, whether the Warden from Omeo will be despatched thither.
 - (3.) Whether it is intended that the Judge of the Court of Mines of the Mining District of Beechworth shall hold sittings at the Omeo Gold Field; or whether it is intended to appoint the County Court Judge, who holds sittings at Alberton and Sale, to be Assistant Judge of the Court of Mines for Omeo.
 - (4.) How often sittings of the Court of Mines and a County Court will be held at Omeo.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General as to the construction of the Act for the Recovery of Small Debts. As Clause XXII. provides for two Justices of the Peace to make an order for the payment to complainant, under what authority can such order be enforced.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Bill for shortening the duration of the Legislative Assembly be committed on Thursday, 28th January.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: 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, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.
2. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."
3. MR. HEALES: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 the sum of £5350 12s. 6d., for the purpose of increasing the Salaries of the following Officers in the Penal Department, under item No. 26, page 24 of the Estimates for the year 1858:—

(1.)	124 Warders, increase 2s. per day	...	...	...	...	£4,526	0	0
(2.)	8 Overseers, „ £70 per annum	...	...	...	...	560	0	0
(3.)	11 Corporals, „ 6d. per day	...	...	...	...	100	7	6
(4.)	6 Sergeants, „ 1s. 6d. per day	...	...	...	...	164	5	0

Total £5,350 12 6

4. MR. BROOKE: To move, That the prayer of the Petition of certain Inhabitants of Geelong, praying the suspension of the Standing Orders, so that they may be in a position to ask the House for an Act of Incorporation to incorporate a Company to supply the Town of Geelong with Gas, be taken into consideration with a view to such prayer being granted.
5. MR. FORLONGE: To move—
 - (1.) For a Return of the stock slaughtered during 1857, as compiled from the returns of the importations of stock.
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 - (4.) A Return of all Mortgages under the "*Lien on Stock Act*."
6. MR. SMITH: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £25,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, in aid of the Funds of the Melbourne Corporation; and the sum of £10,000 in aid of the Corporation of Geelong.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

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1. **MR. GRANT:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 29TH JANUARY.

1. **DR. THOMSON:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer, why the money promised to the South Barwon Municipality has not been paid.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **DR. OWENS:** To move, That this House will on Tuesday next resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the following resolutions:—
 (1.) That it is expedient to provide adequate compensation to members of the Assembly for loss of time and expense incurred as representatives in Parliament.
 (2.) That a Bill be brought in to provide such compensation, at the rate of per annum, for each member of the Assembly from the commencement of the ensuing session of the Legislature.
2. **DR. GREEVES:** To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
3. **MR. J. JOHNSON:** 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858, the sum of £1500 for the purpose of conveying the water from the River Thomson through the township of Sale.
4. **MR. HANCOCK:** To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.
5. **MR. FINDLAY:** 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
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7. **MR. SNODGRASS:** To move—
 (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.

- (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.—House to be called.
2. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

TUESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise a wharfage rate on the importation of goods into the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. WOOD: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to place on the Estimates for 1858 the sum of £352 16s. 10d, compensation to Mr. W. L. Morton, as recommended by the Report from the Select Committee on his case, presented to this House on the 22nd December, 1857.
3. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended, with the view of enabling him, during the adjournment of the House, to give public notice of his intention to introduce the Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company's Act Amendment Bill.

FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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M E E T I N G S

OF

S E L E C T C O M M I T T E E S .

Wednesday, 27th January.

REFORM BILLS—at half-past 11 o'clock.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Jan.* 26.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 27.
Municipal Institutions Bill.
- Jan.* 27.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[28].
Local Court Regulations, Duncolly. A.—No. 24.
Local Court Regulations, Beechworth. A.—No. 25.
Extracts from Part II. of Census Returns. (*To Members of Parliament only.*)
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 28TH JANUARY, 1858.

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To call the attention of the Chief Secretary to the fact that the Western mails sent overland to Warrnambool arrive and depart, under a recent arrangement, on days which enables the steamer to anticipate them; by which means the District receives only one weekly mail from Melbourne instead of three as formerly; and to inquire if steps will be taken to correct this error.
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3. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what course will be taken in reference to the representations made on the difficulties attending the delay in dealing with the sludge at Bendigo.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION—*To take precedence:—*

1. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: 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, praying that a sum of money be placed on the Estimates for the purpose of enabling a Graving Dock to be at once commenced, the constantly increasing requirements of this Port rendering such provision absolutely necessary.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Select Committee to which the Reform Bills have been referred be discharged from further attendance.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL.—To be committed.
2. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
3. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

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PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

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Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Jan. 28.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[29].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 28.
 Standing Orders of Legislative Assembly relating to Private Bills.
 Petition—Education Bill. E.—No. 2.
 Petition—Education Bill. E.—No. 6.
 Local Court Rules. A.—No. 19.
 Petition to Council from Local Court, Ararat. E 1.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 7.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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FRIDAY, 29TH JANUARY, 1858

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2. MR. WILLS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works in what manner the vote lately taken for Two thousand pounds, for affording increased wharfage accommodation to Geelong, is to be applied. If to the extension of any particular wharf, what wharf?
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9. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move, That such members of the Legislatures of New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, or New Zealand, as may visit Melbourne, shall be admitted to use the Parliamentary Library, and to seats behind the Bar of this House, during their visit.
10. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Elections Regulations Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House.
11. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Assembly Members Increase Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS.—House to be called.
2. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.
4. DURATION OF ASSEMBLY BILL—Third reading.
5. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SALARIES IN PENAL DEPARTMENT—Motion for Address.—To be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY.

1. MR. WILLS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if on the sale of public lands at Warrnambool, or elsewhere, any agent of the Government has lately been instructed to veto legitimate bidding by the withdrawal of portions when under offer at auction in the usual manner; and if so, for what purpose.

General Business:—

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4. MR. SMITH: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of £25,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, in aid of the Funds of the Melbourne Corporation; and the sum of £10,000 in aid of the Corporation of Geelong.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL —To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.
2. MR. FORLONGE: To move—
 - (1.) For a Return of the stock slaughtered during 1857, as compiled from the Registers of the Inspectors of Stock.
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 - (4.) A Return of the amount of existing Mortgages under the "Lien on Stock Act."

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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4. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 29th January.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Jan. 29.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[30].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 29.

Report, &c., from Select Committee on Reform Bills, D. No. 7.—(*To Members of Assembly only.*)

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 2ND FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. **MR. WILLS:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if on the sale of public lands at Warrnambool, or elsewhere, any agent of the Government has lately been instructed to veto legitimate bidding by the withdrawal of portions when under offer at auction in the usual manner; and if so, for what purpose.
2. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary what is the reason that John Adams, Esq., and Dr. Rankin of Buninyong, have not been gazetted as Territorial Magistrates.
3. **MR. DAVIS:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, if he was not mistaken when he stated in answer to a question from the Member for Alberton, last October—"The reason why the lands surveyed at Port Albert were not put up for sale." That the reason was, that there had been errors in Mr. Campbell's survey, which had led to his dismissal.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HAINES:** To move, That the Elections Regulations Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
2. **MR. HAINES:** To move, That the Assembly Members Increase Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **CAPT. PERRY:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise a wharfage rate on the importation of goods into the Colony of Victoria.
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5. **CAPT. CLARKE:** To move for the production of Copies of the Advertisement, Tender, Contract, and Correspondence connected with raising the vessel *Harlequin*, which had been sunk in the River Yarra.
6. **MR. BROOKE:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best mode of supplying the town of Geelong with water, with power to take evidence and call for persons and papers, such Committee to consist of Dr. Thomson, Mr. Moore, Mr. Smith, Mr. Greeves, Captain Clarke, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Harker, Mr. Wills, Mr. O'Shanassy, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
7. **MR. HANCOCK:** To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary Draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament, and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose; and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the Mover (three to form a quorum), with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **MR. J. P. MAIN.**—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. **SALARIES IN PENAL DEPARTMENT**—Motion for Address.—To be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY.

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

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FINDLAY: 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
2. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

2. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
2. MR. J. JOHNSON: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858, the sum of £1500 for the purpose of conveying the water from the River Thomson through the township of Sale.

FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.
2. MR. FORLONGE: To move—
 - (1.) For a Return of the stock slaughtered during 1857, as compiled from the Registers of the Inspectors of Stock.
 - (2.) A Return of the Wool exported in the year 1857; whether in grease or washed.
 - (3.) A Return of the number and description of Stock brought from New South Wales across the River Murray during the year 1857, as well as from South Australia.
 - (4.) A Return of the amount of existing Mortgages under the "Lien on Stock Act."
3. DR. THOMSON: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.
4. MR. SNODGRASS: To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty's Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 2nd February.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Jan. 30.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[31].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 30.
 Report, &c., from Select Committee on Reform Bills. D.—No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if the Government will reconsider the late Treasury Regulations, purporting to be issued under the Audit Act of last Session, particularly with regard to the effect which such regulations have on the practice hitherto followed in the Police Courts.

General Business:—

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

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be committed.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

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1. MR. FINDLAY: 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

2. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MR. W. L. MORTON.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. SALARIES IN PENAL DEPARTMENT.—Resolutions in Committee to be reported.

THURSDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY.

1. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if any steps have been taken with a view to the immediate construction of the main line of road through the township of Lethbridge.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Assembly Members Increase Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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Thursday, 4th February.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Feb. 1.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 31.
Patent Slip.—Return. A 1.
- Feb. 3.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[32].
Petition.—Public Education Bill. E.—No. 1.
Duration of Assembly Bill (*as introduced into Council*).
Additional Estimates of Expenditure for 1858.
Proposed distribution of Additional Vote of £100,000 for Roads and Bridges.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if any steps have been taken with a view to the immediate construction of the main line of road through the township of Lethbridge.
2. MR. ASPINALL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Why are not the thistles destroyed on the Crown Lands at the junction of the Mount Alexander and Deep Creek Roads; and whether he is aware that the land in question is nearly covered with thistles, which are a great nuisance to the farmers in the neighbourhood.
3. MR. O'SHANASSY : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works when he proposes to bring in the Assessment Bill.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION (*To have precedence*):—

1. MR. FINDLAY: 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, praying that a sum of £5000 be placed on the Estimates for prosecuting the Marine Survey of the Colony.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

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7. CAPT. PERRY: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of imposing a wharfage rate on the importation of goods into the Colony of Victoria.
8. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Assembly Members Increase Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.

2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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4. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."

M E E T I N G S
OF
S E L E C T C O M M I T T E E S .

Thursday, 4th February.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Feb. 4.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[33].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 32.
Births, Deaths, and Marriages—Fourth Report.
"Crown" Explanation Bill.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 9.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. WILLS : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer what revenue has been derived by the Government under the Act of the 24th November last, to regulate the residence of the Chinese population in Victoria.
2. DR. OWENS : To ask the Chief Secretary whether the townspeople of Sandhurst have not made application by petition and otherwise, and furnished all the necessary forms to obtain a public market, and when will the market be proclaimed accordingly.

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

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.
2. MR. FORLONGE : To move—
 - (1.) For a Return of the stock slaughtered during 1857, as compiled from the Registers of the Inspectors of Stock.
 - (2.) A Return of the Wool exported in the year 1857; whether in grease or washed.
 - (3.) A Return of the number and description of Stock brought from New South Wales across the River Murray during the year 1857, as well as from South Australia.
 - (4.) A Return of the amount of existing Mortgages under the “Lien on Stock Act.”
3. DR. THOMSON : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be placed upon the Estimates for 1858 the sum of Seventy thousand pounds for the supply of water to Geelong.
4. MR. SNOGRASS : To move—
 - (1.) That this Assembly express their regret and disappointment upon finding that Her Majesty’s Ministers decline taking any steps to amend or alter the present system of management of the Waste Lands of the Colony, prior to the passing of a Land Bill.
 - (2.) That pending the passing of an enactment by the Legislature providing for the sale and regulation of the Waste Lands of this Colony, this Assembly are of opinion that for the purposes of survey, the settlement of the country, and the prevention of partiality in the survey and sale of lands, the Colony should be divided into survey districts, and that a committee of persons, not being Crown tenants, but being residents in the district in which they shall act, should be nominated by the Governor, and that a land office should be established in each district, where, in connexion with the lands comprised within such district, all necessary information may be obtained and selection made without reference to Melbourne.
 - (3.) That such Committees shall recommend to the Board of Land and Works what lands should be surveyed, and when and where sold, the size of the lots, the upset price not being less than £1 per acre, the several reserves required, and for what purposes wanted, the different lines of road, or alterations of road, and generally any circumstances connected with the survey, sale, and management of the Waste Lands within their respective districts, that such Committee may from time to time consider necessary; that such Committees shall hold their meetings at the District Land Office, and that the officer in charge shall act as Secretary to such Committees when required.
 - (4.) That this Assembly further recommends that measures be at once adopted to ascertain the grazing capacity of each and every Run held under Pastoral License, the extent of auriferous lands that have been or are now actually worked for gold, and all such information as will assist the Legislature in the future consideration of a Land Bill.
5. MR. SITWELL : To move, That the prayer of the Petition from the Inspector and Directors of the Union Bank, praying that so much of the Standing Orders as relate to the introduction of private Bills may be suspended in order to enable the petitioners to introduce a Bill more effectually to facilitate proceedings in the Colony of Victoria, by and against a certain Banking Company called the “Union Bank of Australia,” and for other purposes therein mentioned, be taken into consideration, and that leave be given to introduce the said Bill.
6. MR. FORLONGE : To move, That inasmuch as the President of the Board of Land and Works has admitted that he has given instructions to the officers acting as auctioneers at the sales of public lands, that they shall be at liberty to exercise their discretion as to the amount of competition displayed at such sales, and either withdraw the land or let it be sold as they may deem expedient,—this House is of opinion that the giving of such instructions was an usurpation of authority on the part of the Minister of Land and Works, highly unconstitutional, contrary to the spirit of the Act under which the public lands are alienated from the Crown, and subversive of the confidence of the public in the fair and open disposal of such lands.

7. CAPT. PERRY: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of imposing a wharfage rate on the importation of goods into the Colony of Victoria.
8. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"
9. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the prayer of the Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors of the town of Geelong, praying that so much of the Standing Orders as relate to the introduction of Private Bills be suspended, in order to enable the petitioners to introduce a Bill to restrict the boundaries of Geelong and to make further provision for the wards therein.
10. MR. MICHIE: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to give further remedies to creditors against debtors removing from any of the Australasian Colonies to the Colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

2. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
5. MARINE SURVEY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. WATER SUPPLY TO SALE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
7. MR. W. L. MORTON—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
8. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. MR. J. P. MAIN.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Assembly Members Increase Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.
2. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering, in accordance with the promises of the Government, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for this year the sum of £3000 for the erection, and £1500 for the maintenance, of the Benevolent Asylum at Sandhurst.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill,*" That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill.*"

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 5th February.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 5.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[34].
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 33.
Electric Telegraph.—Concluding Report.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 10.
Solemnization of Marriage Bill.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. WILKIE: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether the Government would have any objection to give, at once, to such District Road Boards as have furnished returns, an instalment of the amount already voted for their aid.
2. MR. LALOR: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works the following questions:—
 - (1.) If the Engineer in Chief has recommended any deviation from the line of railway from Melbourne to Mount Alexander as originally laid out or approved of by him.
 - (2.) If such recommendation be adopted by the Government, will it interfere with the acceptance of the Tenders at the time specified in the *Gazette*, or will it require a new Act, or an amendment of the present one, before the works can be proceeded with.
3. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether, if the Elections Regulations Bill passes both Houses, it will be necessary to reserve it for the Queen's pleasure, under the 60th and 61st clauses of the *Constitution Statute*.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That the Assembly Members Increase Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
2. MR. HAINES: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances connected with the defalcations of J. G. McGregor, lately a clerk in the office of the Paymaster of Police, with power to call for papers and to take evidence, the following gentlemen to form the Committee:—Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Langlands, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
3. MR. EBDEN: To move, That so much of the resolution of this Assembly agreed to on the 23rd September last, as affirmed that the sum of £119 18s. had been incurred for expenses of reporting and transcribing the notes taken in shorthand in the case of the East Bourke Election, and that the sum of £76 2s. part thereof was payable by the Agent of Mr. W. J. Smith, and the sum of £43 16s. residue thereof, was payable by the Agent for Mr. Bennett, be re-affirmed by this House.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. DEBTORS FROM NEIGHBORING COLONIES BILL.—Second reading.
4. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Second reading.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. CAPT. PERRY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.
2. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
3. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. MARINE SURVEY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. WATER SUPPLY TO SALE—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
4. MR. W. L. MORTON—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
5. MR. J. P. MAIN—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY.

1. MR. WILKIE: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have any objection to furnish a Return of all the unclaimed gold in the Treasury on the 1st day of January, 1858.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to make use of such unclaimed deposit.

General Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering, in accordance with the promises of the Government, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for this year the sum of £3000 for the erection, and £1500 for the maintenance, of the Benevolent Asylum at Sandhurst.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA BILL.—Second reading.
2. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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4. MR. HEALES: To move, in Committee on the "*Appropriation Bill*," That in the opinion of this House the whole sums voted for Roads, Bridges, and Public Works of the Colony, should be included in the first "*Appropriation Bill*."

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 9th February.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at 2 o'clock.
 LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.
 BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.
 FEDERAL UNION—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 6.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[35].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 34.
 Site for New Government Offices—Progress Report. A 5.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. WILKIE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have any objection to furnish a Return of all the unclaimed gold in the Treasury on the 1st day of January, 1858.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to make use of such unclaimed deposit.
2. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the fact that the Bailiffs of the County Court of Bourke, who were hitherto paid by salary, and have by an Act of last session been made payable for the future by fees, are receiving payment in neither mode since the beginning of the present year, in consequence of the business being conducted under the old Act; and to enquire how it is intended to remunerate them for their services till the new Act is brought into operation.
3. MR. WOOD : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether the Law Officers of the Crown have given any opinion as to the power of the Government to enforce payment of the money required from the Chinese for obtaining a license to reside in Victoria; whether any instructions have been issued as to the collection of such money; and if so, whether the Government have any objection to lay a copy of such opinion and instructions on the Table of the House.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. DEBTORS FROM NEIGHBORING COLONIES BILL.—Second reading.
4. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Second reading.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To move for leave to bring up a Progress Report from the Select Committee upon a Federal Union of the Australian Colonies.
2. CAPT. PERRY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MARINE SURVEY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY.

1. MR. PHELAN : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, now that the Estimates are passed, when the Government intend calling for tenders for the different public works throughout the country.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Second reading.
2. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GREEVES : To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.

FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering, in accordance with the promises of the Government, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for this year the sum of £3000 for the erection, and £1500 for the maintenance, of the Benevolent Asylum at Sandhurst.
2. DR. EMBLING : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.

3. MR. RICARDO : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the sum of £400 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of supplying the township of Oakleigh with water.
4. MR. GRANT : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA BILL.—Second reading.
2. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 10th February.

FEDERAL UNION—at 2 o'clock.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 11th February.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 12th February.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

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Feb. 9.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 35.

Local Court Regulations, Ballaarat. A.—No. 12

Reform Bills—Progress Report. D.—No. 6.

Education Bill—Petitions. E.—No. 4; E.—No. 7; E.—No. 8; and E.—No. 11.

Water and Sewerage Bill (*as re-reported 5th February*).

Debtors from Neighboring Colonies Bill.

Feb. 10.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[36].

Further Additional Estimates of Expenditure for 1858. B.—No. 3.

Assessment on Stock Bill.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. PHELAN: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, now that the Estimates are passed, when the Government intend calling for tenders for the different public works throughout the country.
2. MR. HEALES: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General why the Summonses and other Forms required under the new County Courts Act (which came into operation on the 1st January, 1858,) are not ready.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. DEBTORS FROM NEIGHBORING COLONIES BILL.—Second reading.
3. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Second reading.
5. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SUPPLY—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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4. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA BILL.—Second reading.
2. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FORLONGE: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the imperfect manner in which the Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between Australia and England has been carried out by the Australian and European Steam Navigation Company has been such as to call for the most decided expression of dissatisfaction on the part of this House.

Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.

2. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsestealing in this Colony.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. FORLONGE: To move, contingent on the second reading of the Assessment on Stock Bill being carried, That it be referred to a Select Committee, with power to take evidence; and that such Committee consist of Mr. Moore, Mr. Fellows, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Grant, Mr. C. Campbell, Mr. Henty, and the Mover, three to form a Quorum.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 11th February.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 12 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 12th February.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 11.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[37].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 36.

Yarra Bend Lunatic Asylum—Report for 1857.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 11.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why the Government have not duly replied to the Reports of the Geelong Water Commission, dated 30th May and 3rd October, 1857, respectively.
2. MR. HUGHES: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House copies of any correspondence relating to the substitution of iron for wooden rails on the Portland Tramroad.
3. MR. HUGHES: To ask the Honorable the President of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether official information has reached the Government that the levels of the Portland Tramroad have been incorrectly laid down in the sections upon which the contract has been let.
 - (2.) Whether any differences have arisen between the Government and the contractors in consequence of any such erroneous levels.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering, in accordance with the promises of the Government, that an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will cause to be placed upon the Estimates for this year the sum of £3000 for the erection, and £1500 for the maintenance, of the Benevolent Asylum at Sandhurst.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make more efficient provision for the registration of the Medical Practitioners in this Colony, and to determine a more satisfactory mode by which causes of deaths shall be certified, and for other purposes.
3. MR. RICARDO: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the sum of £400 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of supplying the township of Oakleigh with water.
4. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled "*An Act to provide for the Collection and Payment of the Public Monies, the Audit of the Public Accounts, and the Protection and Recovery of the Public Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA BILL.—Second reading.
2. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. DEBTORS FROM NEIGHBORING COLONIES BILL.—Second reading.
6. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Second reading.
7. SUPPLY.—To be further considered in Committee.
8. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
9. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
10. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.

TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Second reading.
2. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FORLONGE: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the imperfect manner in which the Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between Australia and England has been carried out by the Australian and European Steam Navigation Company has been such as to call for the most decided expression of dissatisfaction on the part of this House.

Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.

2. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsestealing in this Colony.

3. MR. GREEVES : To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PERRY : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of bringing in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. ASPINALL : To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. C. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts ; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. FORLONGE : To move, contingent on the second reading of the Assessment on Stock Bill being carried, That it be referred to a Select Committee, with power to take evidence ; and that such Committee consist of Mr. Moore, Mr. Fellows, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Grant, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Henty, and the Mover, three to form a Quorum.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 12th February.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

Monday, 15th February.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^o. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 12.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[38].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 37.

Weekly Report of Divisions of Legislative Assembly.—No. 3.

Supreme Court Rule. A.—No. 3.

Chinese Immigrants' Fund. A.—No. 14.

Collision between the steamers *Champion* and *Lady Bird*.—A 2.

Sale of Land on Captain Hepburn's Run.—A 3.

Terms, Sittings, and Holidays of Supreme Court Bill. (*To Members of Council only.*)

By Authority : JOHN FERRES, Government Printer, Melbourne.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1857.

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if the Government intend making any allowance to Mr. Daniel Sweeney, late Poundkeeper for the District of Ballaarat, for the large expense incurred by him in the erection of a Pound for the said District.
2. MR. J. JOHNSON : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if tenders have been invited for the different bridges to be erected in the Gipps Land District.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Second reading.
2. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. DEBTORS FROM NEIGHBORING COLONIES BILL.—Adoption of report.
5. APPROPRIATION BILL—Third reading.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. FORLONGE : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the imperfect manner in which the Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between Australia and England has been carried out by the Australian and European Steam Navigation Company has been such as to call for the most decided expression of dissatisfaction on the part of this House.

Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact, this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.

2. MR. LALOR : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsestealing in this Colony.
3. MR. GREEVES : To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
4. DR. THOMSON : To move, *Contingent* on the second reading of the Geelong Boundary Bill, that it be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Michie, Mr. Haines, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Myles, Mr. Wills, Mr. Humfray, Dr. Owens, and the Mover; three of whom to be a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.
2. OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
3. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL—Second reading.
4. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PERRY : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of adopting the following Resolutions :—
 - (1.) That more easy access be afforded to industrial pursuits to Her Majesty's subjects in Victoria.
 - (2.) That encouragement be given for the improvement of the waste lands in Victoria by the extension of agriculture.
 - (3.) That newly arrived immigrants and others of small means who are desirous of cultivating farms, be enabled to obtain grants of land for that purpose.
 - (4.) That all unimproved lands not used for pastoral purposes be taxed.
 - (5.) That the system of selling country lots of agricultural lands by auction be abolished, and that a distribution at an upset price be substituted instead thereof.
 - (6.) That the size of the agricultural lots to be sold be limited to a maximum of one hundred acres and a minimum of ten acres; and that the obligation to reside upon the land and to improve it be imposed upon the purchaser.
 - (7.) That the number of settled districts in Victoria be extended, granting to every township and municipality a surrounding area of land to be so denominated and proclaimed.
 - (8.) And that leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ASPINALL: To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. C. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. FORLONGE: To move, contingent on the second reading of the Assessment on Stock Bill being carried, That it be referred to a Select Committee, with power to take evidence; and that such Committee consist of Mr. Moore, Mr. Fellows, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Grant, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Henty, and the Mover, three to form a Quorum.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Monday, 15th February.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 11 o'clock.

Tuesday, 16th February.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

Wednesday, 17th February.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 13.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[39].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 38.

Additional Estimates, 1858—Message. B.—No. 2.

Geelong Boundaries Bill. (*To Members of Council and Assembly only.*)
Appropriation Bill.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government intend increasing the salary of the Under Sheriff for Ballaarat, in consequence of that officer having to act as Under Sheriff for the district of Ararat, in addition to Ballaarat.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why it is that the Government refuse to comply with the memorial of the inhabitants of Wedderburn, praying in December last for the sale of land (in lots) on which their business stores and buildings are erected.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Adoption of report.
3. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PERRY: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of adopting the following Resolutions:—
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 - (3.) That newly arrived immigrants and others of small means who are desirous of cultivating farms, be enabled to obtain grants of land for that purpose.
 - (4.) That all unimproved lands not used for pastoral purposes be taxed.
 - (5.) That the system of selling country lots of agricultural lands by auction be abolished, and that a distribution at an upset price be substituted instead thereof.
 - (6.) That the size of the agricultural lots to be sold be limited to a maximum of one hundred acres and a minimum of ten acres; and that the obligation to reside upon the land and to improve it be imposed upon the purchaser.
 - (7.) That the number of settled districts in Victoria be extended, granting to every township and municipality a surrounding area of land to be so denominated and proclaimed.
 - (8.) And that leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.
2. MR. RUTLEDGE: To move, That a copy of the contract for the clearing of the line for the electric telegraph, and the erection of the posts and all other parts of the work for same between Hexham, Warrnambool, Belfast, Portland, and the boundary of the colony with South Australia, be laid upon the Table of this House as soon as may be convenient.
3. MR. FORLONGE: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the imperfect manner in which the Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between Australia and England has been carried out by the Australian and European Steam Navigation Company has been such as to call for the most decided expression of dissatisfaction on the part of this House.

Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact, this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1.) Whether the Government is aware that the Petty Sessions are held, and that the Court Records are deposited at a public house at Avoca.
 - (2.) Whether any contract has been entered into for the erection of a Court of Mines and Petty Sessions at Avoca, and when will such necessary accommodation be provided.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs when, and to what places, is it intended to extend the lines of electric telegraph in the Loddon district and neighborhood.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ASPINALL: To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. O. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY.

1. MR. SITWELL: To ask The Honorable the Attorney General:—
- (1.) Whether the Judges of the Mining Courts will be required to reside within their Districts, and if not, in what manner are persons seeking injunctions to obtain them.
 - (2.) Whether provision has been made, or will be made, for holding a Court of Mines at least once a fortnight, and a County Court at least once a month at Castlemaine.
 - (3.) Whether there is any obstacle to the holding a County Court at each place at which a Court of Mines is held.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SITWELL: To move, That the Bill intituled, "*The Union Bank of Australia Act "1858"*" be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Horne, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Grant, Mr. Colin Campbell, Mr. Davis, Mr. Chapman, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and that the Standing Order CXIV. be suspended and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.
2. MR. SERVICE: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Arrest.
3. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horstealing in this Colony.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
4. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 17th February.

- GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.
LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.
BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

Thursday, 18th February.

- PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 19th February.

- J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

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- Feb. 15.*—Debtors from Neighboring Colonies Bill.
Feb. 16.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 39.
Elections Regulations Bill (*as considered 12th February*).
Feb. 17.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[40].
Public Education Bill—Petition. E.—No. 3.
Registration Claims—Return. A.—No. 38.
Assessment on Stock Bill (*reported 16th February*). *To Members of Assembly only.*
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 12.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
 - (1). Whether the Government is aware that the Petty Sessions are held, and that the Court Records are deposited at a public house at Avoca.
 - (2). Whether any contract has been entered into for the erection of a Court of Mines and Petty Sessions at Avoca, and when will such necessary accommodation be provided.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs when, and to what places, is it intended to extend the lines of electric telegraph in the Loddon district and neighborhood.
3. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether it is intended to make any alterations in "*The Licensed Victuallers Act*," and if so, when? and whether such alteration will extend to the country districts.
4. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why the Geelong dredge and steamer *London* have not been at work for the last three days.
5. MR. WILKIE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether it is the intention of the Government to give any of the money voted towards the formation of the main road from Melbourne to Ballarat to the Bacchus Marsh District Road Board.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To ask leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the conduct and management of public houses in the colony of Victoria.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Adoption of report.
3. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. ASPINALL: To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. C. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
2. MR. ASPINALL: To move for a Return of the original cost of the Lock-up on the Camp Hill at Sandhurst, the conditions of the contract, and in what publication advertised, the name of the contractor, the number of alterations and improvements, the expense of such alterations and improvements, the number of prisoners discharged from it by the stipendiary magistrates for very humanity's sake, the correspondence of Mr. McLachlan and the local head of the police, or either of them, with Captain Mac Mahon on the subject, and the correspondence with the municipal authorities.
3. MR. RUTLEDGE: To move, That a copy of the contract for the clearing of the line for the electric telegraph, and the erection of the posts and all other parts of the work for same between Hexham, Warrnambool, Belfast, Portland, and the boundary of the colony with South Australia, be laid upon the Table of this House as soon as may be convenient.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY.

1. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General:—
 - (1). Whether the Judges of the Mining Courts will be required to reside within their Districts, and if not, in what manner are persons seeking injunctions to obtain them.
 - (2). Whether provision has been made, or will be made, for holding a Court of Mines at least once a fortnight, and a County Court at least once a month at Castlemaine.
 - (3). Whether there is any obstacle to the holding a County Court at each place at which a Court of Mines is held.
2. MR. HANCOCK: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Central Road Board has solicited tenders for the metalling of about one mile of road in the centre of Colac, for which £3500 have been granted.
3. MR. PERRY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the contractor of the Williamstown branch of the Mount Alexander Railway has engaged to complete that portion of the line within a certain time, and when, in the opinion of that honorable gentleman, that work will be finished.

4. **MR. HANCOCK** : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why Tenders have not been called for, and a contract entered into for the completion of the temporary road through the Stony Rises, between Colac and Timboon, only about £600 of the £2000 granted having been yet expended and more than two months having elapsed since the works upon such road were stopped.
5. **MR. HANCOCK** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether it is the duty of the Government to provide the forms of proceedings for the use of the various Police Courts throughout the Colony, and if so, why the Officers of the District Police Court, in Little Collins-street, Melbourne, were kept without forms for several days; and whether the Officers of such Court were justified in refusing to issue summonses and warrants by reason of the want of printed forms.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SITWELL** : To move, That the Bill intituled, "*The Union Bank of Australia Act* "1858" be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Horne, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Grant, Mr. Colin Campbell, Mr. Davis, Mr. Chapman, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and that the Standing Order CXIV. be suspended and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.
2. **MR. SERVICE** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Arrest.
3. **MR. LALOR** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horstealing in this Colony.
4. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To move the adoption of the Report from the Committee on a Federal Union of the Australian Colonies.
5. **MR. HANCOCK** : To move for a Return shewing the respective amounts realized by the Government by the sale of Crown Lands situate within each and every county of the Colony of Victoria, the respective amounts granted by the Legislature for the formation of Roads and Bridges and to be expended for other purposes in such counties respectively, and the respective amounts actually expended by the Government in the formation and erection of Roads and Bridges in such respective counties.
6. **MR. HANCOCK** : To move for a Return showing the names of all the Stipendiary Magistrates of the Colony of Victoria; together with the nature of their respective occupations, trades, or professions, if any, previous to their respective appointments, particularising those who had to the knowledge of the Government received at any time during their respective lives legal education.
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 - (3.) That newly arrived immigrants and others of small means who are desirous of cultivating farms, be enabled to obtain grants of land for that purpose.
 - (4.) That all unimproved lands not used for pastoral purposes be taxed.
 - (5.) That the system of selling country lots of agricultural lands by auction be abolished, and that a distribution at an upset price be substituted instead thereof.
 - (6.) That the size of the agricultural lots to be sold be limited to a maximum of one hundred acres and a minimum of ten acres; and that the obligation to reside upon the land and to improve it be imposed upon the purchaser.
 - (7.) That the number of settled districts in Victoria be extended, granting to every township and municipality a surrounding area of land to be so denominated and proclaimed.
 - (8.) And that leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the sale and facilitate the settlement of the unoccupied lands in Victoria.
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Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact, this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
4. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
6. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GREEVES : To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 18th February.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 19th February.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Feb. 18.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[41].
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 40.
 Assessment on Stock Bill (*reported 16th February*).
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 12.
 Appropriation Bill.
 Debtors from Neighboring Colonies Bill.
 Terms, Sittings, and Holidays of Supreme Court Bill.
 Education Bill.—Proviso proposed to be added by Mr. Wilkie to new Clause I.
 Elections Regulations Bill.—New clause to be proposed by Mr. Humffray.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. **MR. SITWELL:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney General:—
 - (1.) Whether the Judges of the Mining Courts will be required to reside within their Districts, and if not, in what manner are persons seeking injunctions to obtain them.
 - (2.) Whether provision has been made, or will be made, for holding a Court of Mines at least once a fortnight, and a County Court at least once a month at Castlemaine.
 - (3.) Whether there is any obstacle to the holding a County Court at each place at which a Court of Mines is held.
2. **MR. HANCOCK:** To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Central Road Board has solicited tenders for the metalling of about one mile of road in the centre of Colac, for which £3500 have been granted.
3. **MR. PERRY:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the contractor of the Williamstown branch of the Mount Alexander Railway has engaged to complete that portion of the line within a certain time, and when, in the opinion of that honorable gentleman, that work will be finished.
4. **MR. HANCOCK:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why Tenders have not been called for, and a contract entered into for the completion of the temporary road through the Stony Rises, between Colac and Timboon, only about £600 of the £2000 granted having been yet expended and more than two months having elapsed since the works upon such road were stopped.
5. **MR. HANCOCK:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether it is the duty of the Government to provide the forms of proceedings for the use of the various Police Courts throughout the Colony, and if so, why the Officers of the District Police Court, in Little Collins-street, Melbourne, were kept without forms for several days; and whether the Officers of such Court were justified in refusing to issue summonses and warrants by reason of the want of printed forms.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. SITWELL:** To move, That the Bill intituled, "*The Union Bank of Australia Act 1858*" be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Horne, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Grant, Mr. Colin Campbell, Mr. Davis, Mr. Chapman, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and that the Standing Order CXIV. be suspended and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.
2. **MR. SERVICE:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Arrest.
3. **MR. LALOR:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsestealing in this Colony.
4. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY:** To move the adoption of the Report from the Committee on a Federal Union of the Australian Colonies.
5. **MR. HANCOCK:** To move for a Return shewing the respective amounts realized by the Government by the sale of Crown Lands situate within each and every county of the Colony of Victoria, the respective amounts granted by the Legislature for the formation of Roads and Bridges and to be expended for other purposes in such counties respectively, and the respective amounts actually expended by the Government in the formation and erection of Roads and Bridges in such respective counties.
6. **MR. HANCOCK:** To move for a Return showing the names of all the Stipendiary Magistrates of the Colony of Victoria; together with the nature of their respective occupations, trades, or professions, if any, previous to their respective appointments, particularising those who had to the knowledge of the Government received at any time during their respective lives legal education.
7. **MR. HANCOCK:** To move for the appointment of a Select Committee for the purpose of determining the scale of fees to be allowed to Parliamentary draftsmen for drawing Acts of Parliament and for regulating the appropriation of the amount voted for this purpose, and that such Committee consist of Mr. O'Shanassy, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Horne, Dr. Embling, Dr. Owens, Mr. Grant, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Sladen, and the mover (three to form a quorum) with power to sit during any adjournment of the House.

8. **MR. PERRY :** To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of adopting the following Resolutions:—
- (1.) That more easy access be afforded to industrial pursuits to Her Majesty's subjects in Victoria.
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 - (4.) That all unimproved lands not used for pastoral purposes be taxed.
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- Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact, this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.*
10. **DR. EMBLING :** To move, That the Medical Bill be now read a second time.
11. **MR. HAINES :** To move, That Henry Samuel Chapman, Esq., be appointed Member of the Joint Committee for the Library, in the place of Charles James Griffith, Esq., resigned.
12. **MR. RUTLEDGE :** To move, That in the opinion of this House, the material interests of several of the Rural Districts of the colony, more especially the Western, have been seriously retarded and injured by the course hitherto pursued by the Government, in declining or neglecting to carry out many of the Public Works provided for by the Votes of this House.
13. **MR. RUTLEDGE :** To move, That in the opinion of this House, the scale of charges laid down to be imposed upon suitors, payable to the Government Barristers and Attorneys in the County Court by the new rules lately published, is excessive, and calculated to retard, if not prevent the working of that Court being what the Legislature intended it to be, namely, a cheap and simple means for the recovery of small debts.
14. **MR. GRANT :** To move, That the petition of Mrs. Frances Mary Isles, some time ago presented to the Executive Government (a copy of which is on the Table of the House), be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report; such Committee to consist of Mr. Haines, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Wood, Mr. D. S. Campbell, Mr. Aspinall, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
15. **MR. HUMFRAY :** To move, That the prayer of the petition from Munday Wilson and David Jones, Municipal Councillors, Ballarat East, praying that the following Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, viz, IV., VII., XIX., XX., XXI., XXII., XXIII., XLV., C., and CL., be suspended, in order to enable the petitioners to cause a Bill to be introduced for the purpose of repealing Bye-law No. VII. of Municipal Council of Ballarat, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and that leave be given to bring in the said Bill.
16. **MR. CHAPMAN :** To move for a Return of all lands open for selection in the Colony of Victoria, at the upset price of £1 per acre, on the 1st February, 1858; specifying the number of sections and acres in each survey district, or other division adopted by the Government in the classification of lands for sale.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.**—To be considered in Committee.
4. **GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.**—Second reading.
5. **SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.**—Third reading.
6. **PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PUBLICAN'S LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Second reading.
2. **ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.**—Adoption of report.
3. **ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.**—Adoption of report.
4. **ASSEMBLY MEMBERS INCREASE BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HORNE: To move, That all Questions and Notices of Motion be taken after the Orders of the Day during the remainder of the present Session.
2. MR. ASPINALL: To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. C. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading. (*To take precedence.*)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 19th February.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 19.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[42].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 41.

Schedule to Assembly Members Increase Bill

Assessment on Stock Bill (*re-reported 18th February*). *To Members of Assembly only.*

Elections Regulations Bill (*reported 18th February*). *To Members of Assembly only.*

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1858.

1. MR. SNODGRASS: To ask whether the Government are prepared to receive applications for land founded upon pre-emptive right from those pastoral tenants who either have not applied for the same, or whose applications did not include a full section.
2. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Chief Secretary whether the attention of the Government has been called to a statement in the Ballarat newspaper, that at the hearing of an encroachment case the Warden refused to take the verdict of the assessors, and declared his intention of trying the case over again; and whether the Government propose to institute an inquiry into the matter.
3. MR. J. JOHNSON: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works the reason why the erection of the Government buildings at Omeo has not been proceeded with.
4. MR. PERRY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, whether the Government have taken any steps towards supplying Williamstown with water, in answer to the prayer of a petition, received by this House in November last.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move, That Henry Samuel Chapman, Esq., be appointed Member of the Joint Committee for the Library, in the place of Charles James Griffith, Esq., resigned.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLICAN'S LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. ASSESSMENT ON STOCK BILL.—Adoption of report.
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General Business:—

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1. MR. HANCOCK: To move for a Return showing the names of all the Stipendiary Magistrates of the Colony of Victoria; together with the nature of their respective occupations, trades, or professions, if any, previous to their respective appointments, particularising those who had to the knowledge of the Government received at any time during their respective lives legal education.
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12. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
13. MR. HUMFFRAY: 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, praying His Excellency to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year the sum of £166 19s., as compensation to Mr. J. G. M. Wigley, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly on his case.
14. MR. BROOKE: To move, *Contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
15. MR. BROOKE: To move, That the prayer of the second Petition of the Provisional Committee of the Geelong Gas Company be granted.
16. MR. HUMFFRAY: That *contingent* on the second reading of "*The Ballarat Water Supply Bill*," to move the same be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Haines, Dr. Owens, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Quarterman, and the Mover, three to form a quorum; and that the Standing Orders, Nos. CXIV. and CXXXIV., be suspended, and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.
17. MR. HUMFFRAY: 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, praying that His Excellency will cause the sum of £500 to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of paying over the same to Barnard Welch, in accordance with the following advertisement, inserted in the *Government Gazette* of the 24th October, 1854, relative to the death of James Scobie, viz. :—

"Notice is hereby given that a reward of Five hundred pounds will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any parties concerned."

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
4. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
5. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
6. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading. (*To take precedence.*)

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move for copies of the correspondence between the Free Presbyterian Synod of Victoria and Her Majesty's Government relating to the appointment of Trustees for the grant of the site set apart for that body at Lexton.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

2. LAW OF ARREST AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horstealing in this Colony.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the Medical Bill be now read a second time.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 23rd February.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 12 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 20.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[43].

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 42.

Assessment on Stock Bill (*re-reported 18th February*).Elections Regulations Bill (*reported 18th February*).

Publicans Law Amendment Bill.

By Authority: JOHN FERRES, Government Printer, Melbourne.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1858.

General Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading. (*To take precedence.*)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GREEVES : To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move for copies of the correspondence between the Free Presbyterian Synod of Victoria and Her Majesty's Government relating to the appointment of Trustees for the grant of the site set apart for that body at Lexton.
3. MR. BROOKE : To move, contingent on the prayer of the second Petition of the Geelong Gas Company being granted, That the Geelong Gas Company's Bill be read a second time; also, to move the suspension of Standing Orders Nos. 114 and 134.

Contingent on the foregoing motions being agreed on, to move, That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the following members :—Mr. Board, Mr. Blair, Mr. Myles, Mr. Everard, Mr. Quarterman, Mr. Hughes, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

4. MR. HUMFFRAY : To move, That the prayer of the petition from Munday Wilson and David Jones, Municipal Councillors, Ballarat East, praying that the following Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, viz., IV., VII., XIX., XX., XXI., XXII., XXIII., XLV., C., and CL., be suspended, in order to enable the petitioners to cause a Bill to be introduced for the purpose of repealing Bye-law No. VII. of Municipal Council of Ballarat, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and that leave be given to bring in the said Bill.
5. MR. ASPINALL : To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. C. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
6. MR. BROOKE : To move, That the prayer of the second Petition of the Provisional Committee of the Geelong Gas Company be granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

2. LAW OF ARREST AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.

FRIDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LALOR : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsestealing in this Colony.
2. DR. EMBLING : To move, That the Medical Bill be now read a second time.
3. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL : To move—
 - (1.) That this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to make provision for the maintenance, during the last six months of the present year, of Elementary Public Schools, by placing on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858 a sum equal to £10,000 per month, to be divided between the Denominational and National School Boards, according to the average attendance of scholars in the schools of each Board at the end of 1857.
 - (2.) That no grants exceeding £100 should be made in aid of school buildings unless half the cost shall be locally subscribed.
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4. DR. THOMSON : To move, on the second reading of the "*Geelong Boundaries Bill*," That so much of the Standing Orders as would prevent this Bill from being at once sent to a Committee of the House for report, be suspended.
5. MR. HEALES : 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £5,000 for the purpose of forming and making that portion of Nicholson street which is within the city boundary.
6. MR. FORLONGE : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the imperfect manner in which the Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between Australia and England has been carried out by the Australian and European Steam Navigation Company has been such as to call for the most decided expression of dissatisfaction on the part of this House.

Contingent on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact, this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.

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"Notice is hereby given that a reward of Five hundred pounds will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any parties concerned."

1. MR. BROOKE : To ask—

- (1.) If the Commission recently appointed to examine into and report upon the Geelong and Melbourne Railway have sent in their report, and whether there is any objection to lay the same on the Table of the House.
- (2.) What action the Government propose taking in the matter.

TUESDAY, 2ND MARCH.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HANCOCK : To move for a Return showing the names of all the Stipendiary Magistrates of the Colony of Victoria ; together with the nature of their respective occupations, trades, or professions, if any, previous to their respective appointments, particularising those who had to the knowledge of the Government received at any time during their respective lives legal education.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
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4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *Contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 24th February.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 12 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

Thursday, 25th February.

CAPT. MAC MAHON—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

Feb. 22.—Geelong Gas Company Bill. (*To Members of Council and Assembly only.*)

Feb. 23.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 43.

Careless Use of Fire Bill (*reported 18th February*).

Ballaarat Water Supply Bill.

Population of Electoral Divisions of Electoral Districts. (*To Members of Assembly only.*)

Feb. 24.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[44].

Reform Bills.—Petitions. E.—No. 13; E.—No. 14; and E.—No. 16.

Public Education Bill.—Petition. E.—No. 19.

Revenue from Ballaarat.—Return. C.—No. 2.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 13.

Terms, Sittings, and Holidays of Supreme Court Bill (*as reported 23rd February*).

Assessment on Stock Bill.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. GREEVES : To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
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SESSION 1857-8.

- Feb. 25.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 44.
 Progress Report from Select Committee on Federal Union. D.—No. 10.
 Abolition of Arrest Bill.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 13.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 14.
- Feb. 26.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[45]
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly.—No. 45.
 Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Assembly.—No. 4.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 14.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 15.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1858.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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TUESDAY, 9TH MARCH.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—Second reading.

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 5th March.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

- Feb 27.—Title, Index, &c., to Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Council, Session 1856-7.
March 4.—Appendix to Standing Orders on Private Bills.—Session 1856-7.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Feb. 27.—Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 15.
March 2.—Sales of Land, Belfast. A 7.
Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Council.—No. 1.
March 3.—Medical Practitioners Bill.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 16.
Marriage Bill, as reported 2nd March.
March 4.—Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Assembly.—Nos. 5, 6, 8.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 16.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 17.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[46]
Supreme Court Holidays Bill. (*To Members only.*)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—Second reading.
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3. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.

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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 9th March.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- March 5.*—Supreme Court Sittings, &c., Bill.
 Reform Bills—Petitions. E.—Nos. 12, 27, 28, 29, 31.
 Pensions A.—No. 35.
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 46.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 17.
- March 6.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[47]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1858.

Government Business:—

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2. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.

General Business:—

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- March 10.*—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[48]
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 47.
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6. MR. HUMFRAY : That *contingent* on the second reading of "*The Ballaarat Water Supply Bill*," to move the same be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Haines, Dr. Owens, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Quarterman, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum ; and that the Standing Orders, Nos. CXIV. and CXXXIV., be suspended, and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 11th March.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

March 11.—List of Select Committees.

SESSION 1857-8.

March 11.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[49]
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 48.
 Petition—Education Bill.—E. No. 20.
 Petition—Reform Bills.—E. No. 21.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 18.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 19.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1858.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. O'SHANASSY: To move, That the vacancies created in the following Committees be filled up in the manner hereafter mentioned, viz. :—
Standing Orders—Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Dr. Evans;
Library—Mr. Chapman, Mr. Gavan Duffy;
Federal Union—Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Harker, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Dr. Evans;
Parliament Houses—Mr. Gavan Duffy;
Lunatic Asylum—Mr. O'Shanassy;
Mc Gregor's Case—Mr. Chapman, Mr. Harker;
Captain Mac Mahon's Case—Dr. Evans;
Union Bank Bill—Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Chapman.

2. MR. CHAPMAN: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to alter the Electoral Districts of the Colony of Victoria, and to provide for an increase of the number of Members of the House of Assembly.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GREEVES: To move, That pending the settlement of the Land Question, it is the opinion of this House that no promise or grant of land without purchase be made until the application for the same shall have been laid ten days before both Houses of Parliament.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move for copies of the correspondence between the Free Presbyterian Synod of Victoria and Her Majesty's Government relating to the appointment of Trustees for the grant of the site set apart for that body at Lexton.
3. MR. BROOKE: To move, contingent on the prayer of the second Petition of the Geelong Gas Company being granted, That the Geelong Gas Company's Bill be read a second time; also, to move the suspension of Standing Orders Nos. 114 and 134.
Contingent on the foregoing motions being agreed on, to move, That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the following members:—Mr. Board, Mr. Blair, Mr. Myles, Mr. Everard, Mr. Quarterman, Mr. Hughes, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
4. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, That the prayer of the petition from Munday Wilson and David Jones, Municipal Councillors, Ballarat East, praying that the following Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, viz., IV., VII., XIX., XX., XXI., XXII., XXIII., XLV., C., and CL, be suspended, in order to enable the petitioners to cause a Bill to be introduced for the purpose of repealing Bye-law No. VII. of Municipal Council of Ballarat, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and that leave be given to bring in the said Bill.
5. MR. ASPINALL: To move for a Committee to take into consideration and report upon the Petition of Wm. C. Hayes, such Committee to consist of Mr. Forlonge, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Harker, Mr. Grant, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.
6. MR. BROOKE: To move, That the prayer of the second Petition of the Provisional Committee of the Geelong Gas Company be granted.
7. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsetealing in this Colony.
8. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the Medical Bill be now read a second time.
9. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move—
 - (1.) That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to make provision for the maintenance, during the last six months of the present year, of Elementary Public Schools, by placing on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858 a sum equal to £10,000 per month, to be divided between the Denominational and National School Boards, according to the average attendance of scholars in the schools of each Board at the end of 1857.
 - (2.) That no grants exceeding £100 should be made in aid of school buildings unless half the cost shall be locally subscribed.
 - (3.) That sites of Crown Lands should be granted for the erection of school buildings, subject to the regulations of the Governor in Council.
10. DR. THOMSON: To move, on the second reading of the "*Geelong Boundaries Bill*," That so much of the Standing Orders as would prevent this Bill from being at once sent to a Committee of the House for report, be suspended.
11. MR. HEALES: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £5,000 for the purpose of forming and making that portion of Nicholson street which is within the city boundary.

12. MR. FORLONGE: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the imperfect manner in which the Contract for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between Australia and England has been carried out by the Australian and European Steam Navigation Company has been such as to call for the most decided expression of dissatisfaction on the part of this House.
- Contingent* on the above being carried, To move, That inasmuch as the conditions of the Contract have been so palpably violated in spirit and in fact, this House deems it expedient that steps be taken suggesting to the Imperial Government the expediency of annulling the present Contract.
13. MR. HUMFFRAY: 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, praying His Excellency to cause to be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for this year the sum of £166 19s., as compensation to Mr. J. G. M. Wigley, in accordance with the Report from the Select Committee of the Assembly on his case.
14. MR. HUMFFRAY: 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, praying that His Excellency will cause the sum of £500 to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of paying over the same to Barnard Welch, in accordance with the following advertisement, inserted in the *Government Gazette* of the 24th October, 1854, relative to the death of James Scobie, viz. :—
- “Notice is hereby given that a reward of Five hundred pounds will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any parties concerned.”
15. MR. HANCOCK: To move for a Return showing the names of all the Stipendiary Magistrates of the Colony of Victoria; together with the nature of their respective occupations, trades, or professions, if any, previous to their respective appointments, particularising those who had to the knowledge of the Government received at any time during their respective lives legal education.
16. MR. HORNE: To move, That the amendments made by the Select Committee in the “*Union Bank Act Amendment Bill*” be now agreed to.
17. MR. MICHIE: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a Copy of the Correspondence between the Law Officers of the Crown and Mr. Adamson, relative to the dismissal of that gentleman from the office of Prosecuting Barrister for Melbourne; also, a copy of any minute or other document transmitted from the Executive Council to the Law Officers, authorising or relating to such dismissal.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—Second reading.
 2. “CROWN” EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.
 3. LAW OF ARREST AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 4. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 5. MUNICIPAL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 6. OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 7. GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL.—Second reading.
 8. SEWERAGE AND WATER ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
 9. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 10. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.
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1. MR. COLIN CAMPELL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether it is intended to proceed at once with the erection of a Sub-Treasury and Gold Office at Ararat, the building at present lent by the Police for this purpose being altogether unsuitable.
 2. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether it be the intention of the Government to provide for the payment of interest on the Geelong and Melbourne Railway Company's shares now due to the London shareholders; and likewise the interest on £200,000 debentures sold in London with the sanction of the Government.
 3. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why Messrs. Pettigrew and McCann have not been paid the balance due upon the contract for the Barwon Bridge.
 4. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether the Report of Sir Charles Hotham's Police Commission is in print, or whether any further evidence has been taken.
 - (2.) Whether, if further evidence has been taken, or a further report prepared, there is any objection to laying it on the Table.
 - (3.) Whether, and if so, on what grounds the Government declined to authorize the publication of further evidence, and the reports of that Commission.
 5. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether the Government have any objection to place on the Table of the House copies of all the correspondence between Mr. David Armstrong (late Police Inspector at Melvor) and the Government, from the month of April, 1853, to April, 1856, inclusive.
 6. MR. BROOKE: To ask—
 - (1.) If the Commission recently appointed to examine into and report upon the Geelong and Melbourne Railway have sent in their report, and whether there is any objection to lay the same on the Table of the House.
 - (2.) What action the Government propose taking in the matter.
 7. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether it be the intention of the Government to reduce the upset price of a piece of land applied for by the Free Church of England, Geelong, and advertised to be sold on the 16th March next, to the ordinary amount of such Town Lands.

8. MR. FELLOWS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether his attention has been called to the Chief Secretary's notice to Electoral Registrars, and what opinion he intends to give Magistrates on the subject of such notice.
9. MR. WOOD: To ask the Chief Secretary whether his attention has been called to a report contained in the newspapers of last week of an enquiry held by Mr. Tarleton, the American Consul, in the course of which he examined witnesses on oath, and which he concluded by saying that he would send certain persons, then before him, to the United States of America, in order to be tried.
 - (2.) Whether it is true that prisoners were brought in irons in the police boats for the purpose of being examined at this enquiry.
 - (3.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to make any communication to Mr. Tarleton on the illegal nature of his proceedings, or to make any representation on the subject to his Government.
10. MR. WOOD: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House the Report of the Board appointed to consider the claims of certain Chinese in the Buckland District to compensation, together with the evidence taken before the Board.
11. MR. HEALES: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why the work for the maintenance of the Sydney road, lying between Elizabeth-street and the Lyndhurst toll-gate, has not been let.
12. MR. HORNE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether the Government are willing to remove from all whaling ships (Foreign as well as those belonging to English Subjects) entering this port, all pilot and port dues and charges.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH APRIL.

General Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.

THURSDAY, 15TH APRIL.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150 for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearce, who was twenty years coxswain and superintendent of the Custom-House boats in Hobson's Bay.

FRIDAY, 16TH APRIL.

1. DR. EMBLING: To move—
 - (1.) That the prolonged discontinuance of the works necessary to the completion of the Johnston-street Bridge, East Collingwood, is most detrimental to the interests of the District.
 - (2.) That it is the duty of the Government, without further delay, to resume the said works, and to render the Bridge and its approaches fit for traffic.

THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
 - (3.) That it is the opinion of this House that the Government should take immediate steps towards securing the cession of King's Island to Victoria.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *Contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXL, securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.

6. MR. HUMFRAY: That *contingent* on the second reading of "The Ballarat Water Supply Bill," to move the same be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Haines, Dr. Owens, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Quarterman, and the Mover; three to form a quorum; and that the Standing Orders, Nos. CXIV. and CXXXIV., be suspended, and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.
7. MR. ADAMSON: On the motion being put, that the Speaker do leave the chair for the consideration in Committee of the Increase of Assembly Members Bill, to move the following resolution:—That this House is of opinion that it is not desirable that the system of representation should conform to a merely arithmetical distribution of the people, as distinguished from a distribution calculated to secure the virtual and adequate representation of classes and interests.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 14th April.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED DURING THE ADJOURNMENT.

SESSION 1857-8.

- March 13.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 49.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 19.
Weekly Report of Divisions in Legislative Assembly—No. 7.
Petition—Education Bill. E.—No. 10.

- March 19.*—Petition—Licensed Victuallers. E.—No. 34.
Petitions—Education Bill. E.—Nos. 24, 30, 32 and 33.
Weekly Divisions in Committee of Legislative Council—No. 2.

SESSION 1856-7.

- March 23.*—Artesian Wells, with Plans. C.—No. 41.

SESSION 1857-8.

- Unemployed—Statement, &c. A.—No. 32.
Mechanics' Institutions. A.—No. 31.
Supernumerary Officers. A.—No. 30.
Petition—Ovens' Navigation. E.—No. 9.
Petition—Public Education Bill. E.—No. 36.
First Report of Council Printing Committee. D 1.
Chinese Passengers and Gold. A 6.
- March 25.*—Chinese Interpreters. A.—No. 29.
Petitions—Education Bill. E.—Nos. 37, 39.
Petitions—Reform Bills. E.—Nos. 15, 17, 22, 25, 26.
Petition—Publicans Law Amendment Bill. E.—No. 38.
Order in Council. A.—No. 39.
Petition—Local Court, Ararat. E.—No. 5.
Gold—Return, &c. A.—No. 37.
- March 31.*—Petition—Reform Bills. E.—No. 23.
Chinese Annual Rate Fund. A.—No. 13.
Duty on Opium. C.—No. 4.
Second, Third and Fourth Printing Reports. D.—Nos. 3, 4, 5.
Supplementary Regulation for Chinese on Gold Fields. A.—No. 2.
Local Court Regulations, Castlemaine. A.—No. 5.
Local Court Regulations, Hepburn. A.—No. 9.
Local Court Regulations, Avoca. A.—No. 10.
Local Court Regulations, Maldon. A.—No. 8.
Message—Further Additional Estimates. B.—No. 3.
Petition—Reform Bills. C.—No. 18.
- April 7.*—Bank Liabilities and Assets. A.—No. 36.
Local Court Rules, Castlemaine. A.—No. 4.
Orders in Council. A.—Nos. 33 and 34.
Local Court Rules, Dunolly. A.—No. 11.

SESSION 1856-7.

- Mount Blackwood Gold Diggings. C.—No. 33.*

SESSION 1857-8.

- April 8.*—Plan of Electoral Divisions—to accompany Reform Bill. (*To Members only*).
April 9.—Health Officer's Report for Half-Year ending 31st December, 1857.
Immigration—Summary Report of Her Majesty's Commissioners.
Report of Chief Medical Officer on Sanitary Station.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[50]
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 20.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH APRIL, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Second reading.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HORNE: To move, That all Notices of Motion on the General Business Paper and the Orders of the Day be postponed till after the Bill to alter the Electoral Districts of the Colony of Victoria be passed through Committee.
2. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move—
 - (1.) That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to make provision for the maintenance, during the last six months of the present year, of Elementary Public Schools, by placing on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858 a sum equal to £10,000 per month, to be divided between the Denominational and National School Boards, according to the average attendance of scholars in the schools of each Board at the end of 1857.
 - (2.) That no grants exceeding £100 should be made in aid of school buildings unless half the cost shall be locally subscribed.
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 - (2.) Whether, if further evidence has been taken, or a further report prepared, there is any objection to laying it on the Table.
 - (3.) Whether, and if so, on what grounds the Government declined to authorize the publication of further evidence, and the reports of that Commission.
 2. MR. HEALES: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why the work for the maintenance of the Sydney road, lying between Elizabeth-street and the Lyndhurst toll-gate, has not been let.

THURSDAY, 15TH APRIL.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150 for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearce, who was twenty years coxswain and superintendent of the Custom-House boats in Hobson’s Bay.
2. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That the Petition from the inhabitants of Hamilton and its Suburbs be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole on the Reform Bills.

3. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, That the prayer of the petition from Munday Wilson and David Jones, Municipal Councillors, Ballarat East, praying that the following Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, viz., IV., VII., XIX., XX., XXI., XXII., XXIII., XLV., C., and CL., be suspended, in order to enable the petitioners to cause a Bill to be introduced for the purpose of repealing Bye-law No. VII. of Municipal Council of Ballarat, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and that leave be given to bring in the said Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—Second reading.
2. LAW OF ARREST AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has had his attention drawn to the Petition laid before the late Ministry from the Inhabitants of Mount Korong, praying for the Sale of the Land on which are erected the Dwellings and principal Stores of the men of business at Wedderburne, which land is marked on the new map of Korong as "Smith's Diggings;" and whether the present Government will order the land for early sale.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has had attention directed to certain disputes, particularly at Bendigo, as to the privileges conceded to the Mining Population on the proclaimed Crown Reserves; and whether the occupiers of runs containing proclaimed reserves can legally impound or interfere with the free use and agistment of such reserves by the several kinds of stock required in the daily supply of food to the gold fields.

FRIDAY, 16TH APRIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move—
 - (1.) That the prolonged discontinuance of the works necessary to the completion of the Johnston-street Bridge, East Collingwood, is most detrimental to the interests of the District.
 - (2.) That it is the duty of the Government, without further delay, to resume the said works, and to render the Bridge and its approaches fit for traffic.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the sum of £3,000 lately voted for the Ryrie-street drain, Collingwood, should be appropriated to the purpose for which the grant was originally asked, namely, to provide for the carrying off the storm water which pours down from the high lands to the north and north-west of the Collingwood district, and that such appropriation be made without delay, to prevent the danger to life and destruction to property which must ensue if the work be not accomplished before the winter sets in.
3. MR. SITWELL: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the adoption of a uniform rate of assessment in road districts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.
 2. UNION BANK ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
1. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what is the reason the Treasury and Gold Office in Barker-street, Castlemaine, has not been opened to the public, although completed above six months.

TUESDAY, 20TH APRIL.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsetealing in this Colony.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
 - (3.) That it is the opinion of this House that the Government should take immediate steps towards securing the cession of King's Island to Victoria.

FRIDAY, 23RD APRIL.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the Laws relating to the transfer and encumbrance of freehold and other interests in land.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
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8. DR. OWENS : To move, on the consideration of the Schedule to the Reform Bills, That the prayer of the Petition of the inhabitants of North Grant and North Grenville be taken into consideration.
9. DR. THOMSON : To move, on the second reading of the "*Geelong Boundaries Bill*," That so much of the Standing Orders as would prevent this Bill from being at once sent to a Committee of the House for report, be suspended.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 14th April.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

Friday, 16th April.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

April 10.—Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Union Bank of Australia Bill, with Evidence, &c.

Union Bank of Australia Bill

April 12.—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 50.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 20.

April 14.—Port of Melbourne—Return to Order. C.—No. 3.

Fifth Printing Report of Legislative Assembly. D.—No. 8.

Petition—Education Bill. E.—No. 35.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[51]

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 21.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1858.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150 for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearce, who was twenty years coxswain and superintendent of the Custom-House boats in Hobson's Bay.
2. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That the Petition from the inhabitants of Hamilton and its Suburbs be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole on the Reform Bills.
3. MR. HUMFRAY: To move, That the prayer of the petition from Munday Wilson and David Jones, Municipal Councillors, Ballarat East, praying that the following Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, viz., IV., VII., XIX., XX., XXI., XXII., XXIII., XLV., C., and CL., be suspended, in order to enable the petitioners to cause a Bill to be introduced for the purpose of repealing Bye-law No. VII. of Municipal Council of Ballarat, and for other purposes therein mentioned, and that leave be given to bring in the said Bill.
4. MR. HUGHES: To move the re-appointment of the Coal Committee, to consist of the following gentlemen:—Mr. Brooke, Capt. Clarke, Mr. Horne, Mr. Moore, Mr. O'Shanassy, Mr. Humfray, Mr. Duffy, and the Mover, three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPREME COURT SITINGS BILL.—Second reading.
 2. LAW OF ARREST AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
 3. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.
 4. MR. J. G. M. WIGLEY—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 5. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.
 6. OAKLEIGH WATER SUPPLY—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
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1. DR. OWENS: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has had his attention drawn to the Petition laid before the late Ministry from the Inhabitants of Mount Korong, praying for the Sale of the Land on which are erected the Dwellings and principal Stores of the men of business at Wedderburne, which land is marked on the new map of Korong as "Smith's Diggings;" and whether the present Government will order the land for early sale.
2. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether he has had attention directed to certain disputes, particularly at Bendigo, as to the privileges conceded to the Mining Population on the proclaimed Crown Reserves; and whether the occupiers of runs containing proclaimed reserves can legally impound or interfere with the free use and agistment of such reserves by the several kinds of stock required in the daily supply of food to the gold fields.
3. MR. SNODGRASS: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether any application has been made by Mr. Barlow to be reinstated in the office he held of Clerk of Petty Sessions at Richmond and other Courts, and whether the Government are aware of the circumstances that led to his dismissal by the late Attorney General, Mr. Michie.
4. MR. WOOD: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General:—
 - (1.) Whether the Law Officers of the Crown have given it as their opinion that the Consul of a foreign nation has, by the Common Law of England or by any statute either of Great Britain or of this Colony, power to try, or to ship for trial, any person belonging to his nation, who may be in Britain or any of her Colonies; and, if they have given such an opinion, whether they have any objection to lay a copy of it on the Table of the House.
 - (2.) Whether the Attorney General is aware that the persons upon whom the American Consul, Mr. Tarleton, held a mock trial on board the *Tornado*, had, previously to such mock trial, landed at Williamstown, whence they were removed in custody to the *Tornado*; and whether he is of opinion that, even assuming the American Consul has jurisdiction over persons in an American vessel, he has any power to reclaim any person who has quitted such vessel, and has taken up his abode on the soil of this Colony.

- (3.) Whether it is true that the persons whom the American Consul has imprisoned, and whom he threatens to ship to the United States of America, are not American citizens, but are British subjects.
- (4.) Whether it was in consequence of any opinion given by the Law Officers of the Crown, or of any authorisation granted by the Government, that the persons previously alluded to were taken in custody in the police boats from Williamstown to the *Tornado*.
- (5.) Whether, if the persons alluded to have been kidnapped by authority given by the Government, or in consequence of any opinion given by the Law Officers of the Crown, the Attorney General is prepared, if he cannot produce any Statute, British or Colonial, or any precedent in any work on English Law to justify his opinion, to make some reparation to these persons by applying for a Writ of *Habeas Corpus*, in order to procure their liberation.
- (6.) Why, if these persons have committed any violation of the law of England, the Attorney General has not taken steps to have them placed on trial for such violation; and, if they have not, by what authority have they been taken in custody from the soil of a British colony, and are now detained in custody in the waters of a British colony.
- (7.) Whether the Attorney General is aware that the *Tornado*, although American built, was chartered by British subjects.
- (8.) Whether the Attorney General is aware, that during the passage of the *Tornado* from Liverpool to Hobson's Bay, one of her officers shot two of the crew, one of whom died within a few days from the effect of the wound; and whether he considers the circumstance of an Englishman being shot to death by an American of so little importance as not to require any official investigation into the matter by the legal authorities of this Colony.
5. MR. HUGHES: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Commission appointed to inquire into the charges against Mr. Road Engineer Wilks have made any Report; and if so, whether there is any objection to lay the papers on the Table of this House.
6. DR. THOMSON: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works when the completion of the Barwon Bridge will be proceeded with.

FRIDAY, 16TH APRIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move—
- (1.) That the prolonged discontinuance of the works necessary to the completion of the Johnston-street Bridge, East Collingwood, is most detrimental to the interests of the District.
- (2.) That it is the duty of the Government, without further delay, to resume the said works, and to render the Bridge and its approaches fit for traffic.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the sum of £3,000 lately voted for the Rynie-street drain, Collingwood, should be appropriated to the purpose for which the grant was originally asked, namely, to provide for the carrying off the storm water which pours down from the high lands to the north and north-west of the Collingwood district, and that such appropriation be made without delay, to prevent the danger to life and destruction to property which must ensue if the work be not accomplished before the winter sets in.
3. MR. SITWELL: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the adoption of a uniform rate of assessment in road districts.
4. MR. SERVICE: To move, That in consideration of the vast importance of the Land Question, and the desirability of securing a speedy settlement of the same in such manner as will be satisfactory to the country, it is desirable, in the opinion of this House, that the Government should (prior to the dissolution of Parliament) lay upon the Table of the House a Bill shewing their proposed mode of dealing with the Crown Lands, so that the country may have the opportunity at the ensuing General Elections of pronouncing distinctly thereon.
5. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To move—
- (1.) That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to make provision for the maintenance, during the last six months of the present year, of Elementary Public Schools, by placing on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858 a sum equal to £10,000 per month, to be divided between the Denominational and National School Boards, according to the average attendance of scholars in the schools of each Board at the end of 1857.
- (2.) That no grants exceeding £100 should be made in aid of school buildings unless half the cost shall be locally subscribed.
- (3.) That sites of Crown Lands should be granted for the erection of school buildings, subject to the regulations of the Governor in Council.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.
2. UNION BANK ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Third reading.
3. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.

1. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what is the reason the Treasury and Gold Office in Barker-street, Castlemaine, has not been opened to the public, although completed above six months.
2. MR. LANGLANDS: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Government have taken any steps to cause the Goulburn River to be surveyed from Seymour to its junction with the Murray, with the view of rendering it navigable; and if not, whether they intend doing so.

TUESDAY, 20TH APRIL.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LALOR: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better prevention of the crime of horsetealing in this Colony.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST APRIL.

General Business:—

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1. MR. HUMFRAY: 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, praying that His Excellency will cause the sum of £500 to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of paying over the same to Barnard Welch, in accordance with the following advertisement, inserted in the *Government Gazette* of the 24th October, 1854, relative to the death of James Scobie, viz.:—

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THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL.

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 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
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NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the Laws relating to the transfer and encumbrance of freehold and other interests in land.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the “*Elections Regulations Bill*” be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
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MEETINGS
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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 15th April.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 11 o'clock.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 16th April.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

April 15.—An Account in detail of Expenditure under 18 and 19 Victoria, cap. 55.

Pensions.

Public Worship—Statement of Distribution of Amount.

Public Worship—Regulations, &c.

SESSION 1857-8.

Message—Railway Expenditure. B.—No. 4.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[52]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 51.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. **MR. J. G. M. WIGLEY**—Resolution in Committee to be reported.
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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 16th April.

GEELONG BOUNDARIES BILL—at 12 o'clock.
 BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.
 J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

April 16.—Regulations for employing Convict Labor.

SESSION 1857-8.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[53]
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 52.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 21.
 Bill to amend Laws relating to Friendly Societies.
 Medical Practitioners Bill, with proposed alterations (*to Members of Assembly only*).
 Medical Practitioners Bill—Amendment by Dr. Owens (*to Members of Assembly only*).
 Electoral District Alteration Bill—Clause to be proposed by Mr. Haines (*to Members of Assembly only*).

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5. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to abolish imprisonment for debt.
6. MR. HUGHES: To move, That the following Petitions be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Reform Bills, viz.:—The Inhabitants of Portland, the Municipal Council of Portland, the Inhabitants of Branzholme, of Heywood, of Digby and Merino, and of Casterton and Sandford.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
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1. DR. EMBLING: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if any Report has been decided upon respecting the building stone, for which a reward has been offered, and to enquire into which a Commission has been appointed, it being understood that two Reports have been made, and are now lying on the Table; and when the Reports will be made public, and the rewards distributed.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.

FRIDAY, 30TH APRIL.

General Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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6. MR. HUMFFRAY: That *contingent* on the second reading of “*The Ballaarat Water Supply Bill*,” to move the same be referred to a Select Committee, to consist of Mr. Haines, Dr. Owens, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Sitwell, Mr. Quarterman, and the Mover; three to form a quorum; and that the Standing Orders, Nos. CXIV. and CXXXIV., be suspended, and the Committee be permitted to sit immediately.
7. DR. OWENS: To move, on the consideration of the Schedule to the Reform Bills, That the prayer of the Petition of the inhabitants of North Grant and North Grenville be taken into consideration.
8. MR. HEALES: To move, on the motion being put That the Speaker do leave the Chair for the consideration in Committee of the Medical Practitioners Bill, That the Committee be instructed to introduce a clause into the Bill to the effect that a Board be appointed to consist of homœopathic physicians who shall have all the privileges, powers, and advantages amongst those who practise the medical system of homœopathy in this Colony, which may be enjoyed by the general Medical Board to be appointed under the said Bill.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Saturday, 17th April.

SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL—at 11 o'clock.

Tuesday, 20th April.

GEE LONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL—at 12 o'clock.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 12 o'clock.

LUNATIC ASYLUM—at 12 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1856-7.

April 17.—Petition—Crown Lands Bill. E.—No. 79.

SESSION 1857-8.

Petitions—Education Bill. E.—No. 40; and E.—No. 42.

Local Court Rules, Creswick. A.—28.

Medical Practitioners Bill, with proposed alterations.

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

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 53.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST APRIL, 1858.

Government Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act to establish a Board of Land and Works.
2. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise a departure at the Black Forest from the proposed line of Railway from Melbourne to the Murray.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFRAY: 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, praying that His Excellency will cause the sum of £500 to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of paying over the same to Barnard Welch, in accordance with the following advertisement, inserted in the *Government Gazette* of the 24th October, 1854, relative to the death of James Scobie, viz. :—

“ Notice is hereby given that a reward of Five hundred pounds will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any parties concerned.”

2. MR. FELLOWS: To move, That it be an instruction to the Select Committee on the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, to take evidence and report upon the days most convenient for holding the Assizes and General Sessions of the Peace throughout the Colony, as well as the Terms and all Sittings of the Supreme Court in Melbourne in the various branches of its jurisdiction.
3. MR. FELLOWS: To move, That the Supreme Court Sittings Bill be now read a second time.
Contingent upon this motion being carried, That the same Bill be committed.
4. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150 for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearce, who was twenty years coxswain and superintendent of the Custom-House boats in Hobson's Bay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. “CROWN” EXPLANATION BILL.—Second reading.
3. LAW OF ARREST AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.
5. GRANTS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
6. MR. J. G. M. WIGLEY—Resolution in Committee to be reported.

1. MR. PHELAN: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what amount of money has been expended on the main line of road between Bacchus Marsh and Ballan; and by whom expended; and also the amount of money expended by the District Road Board at Bacchus Marsh, and the quantity and nature of the work in both cases.
2. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster General whether the Government have received any estimate of the probable cost of extending telegraphic communication to King George's Sound, and if so, if they have any objection to lay the same on the Table of the House.
3. MR. HORNE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether any steps are being taken to establish a Vice Admiralty Court in this country; and if not, whether the same will be done without delay.
4. MR. COLIN CAMPBELL: To ask the honorable member for Melbourne (Mr. Smith) what course the Corporation of Melbourne proposes to take for providing accommodation for the market gardeners.
5. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works when the Government will probably be able to give their decision on the Railway Tenders.

THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
 - (3.) That it is the opinion of this House that the Government should take immediate steps towards securing the cession of King's Island to Victoria.
2. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That an Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor embodying the following resolution :—
 1. That for the advancement of the public service the House strongly recommends that in future, no departmental officer, clerk, or other person in the service of the Government of Victoria shall be deprived of his office without the Governor's warrant, save by a vote of Parliament.
 2. That such warrant should not issue until after—
 - (1.) A complaint in writing of misconduct or incapacity.
 - (2.) An inquiry thereinto by a board of not less than three persons.
 - (3.) A report from such board recommending such dismissal or removal.

Contingent upon the Motion being carried, To move, That a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting the concurrence of that Honorable House with the Address.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—Second reading.

FRIDAY, 23RD APRIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the Laws relating to the transfer and encumbrance of freehold and other interests in land.
2. DR. OWENS: To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that the Government make notification that all Crown Land Reserves under Her Majesty's Order in Council, 9th March, 1847, beyond the Settled Districts as named in the *Gazette* of 24th March, 1853, and in subsequent *Gazettes*, by which certain lands are reserved from the possession of the occupants of the Run, be further reserved from the lessee or occupant of the Run for the free use of the population on all Runs whereon any lands are sold for agricultural or other purposes within the mining districts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL.

General Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL —To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 30TH APRIL.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.

6. **DR. OWENS:** To move, on the consideration of the Schedule to the Reform Bills, That the prayer of the Petition of the inhabitants of North Grant and North Grenville be taken into consideration.
7. **MR. HEALES:** To move, on the motion being put That the Speaker do leave the Chair for the consideration in Committee of the Medical Practitioners Bill, That the Committee be instructed to introduce a clause into the Bill to the effect that a Board be appointed to consist of homœopathic physicians who shall have all the privileges, powers, and advantages amongst those who practise the medical system of homœopathy in this Colony, which may be enjoyed by the general Medical Board to be appointed under the said Bill.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 21st April.

- GEE LONG GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at 12 o'clock.
 GEE LONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL—at 12 o'clock.
 CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.
 J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.
 CITY OF MELBOURNE AND EMERALD HILL CORRESPONDENCE—at half-past 3 o'clock.

Thursday, 22nd April.

- COAL—at 11 o'clock.
 SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL—at 2 o'clock.
 PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.
 BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- April 19.*—Local Court Rules, Castlemaine. A—No. 20.
 Federal Union—Copy of Letter. A.—No. 40.
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 54.
- April 20.*—Clause in Education Bill (Mr. Wilkie). *To members only.*
- April 21.*—Chief Medical Officer—Return of Diseases.
 Return of Surveyors' Field Work.
 Uniform Assessment in Road Districts Bill.
 Bill to alter Electoral Districts.
 Mr. Adamson—Return to Order. C.—No. 6.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[55]
 Progress Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Supreme Court Sittings Bill. D.—No. 14. (*To members of Assembly only.*)
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 22.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. BOARD OF LAND AND WORKS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. EMBLING : To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
 - (3.) That it is the opinion of this House that the Government should take immediate steps towards securing the cession of King's Island to Victoria.
2. MR. MOLLISON : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor embodying the following resolution :—
 1. That for the advancement of the public service the House strongly recommends that in future, no departmental officer, clerk, or other person in the service of the Government of Victoria shall be deprived of his office without the Governor's warrant, save by a vote of Parliament.
 2. That such warrant should not issue until after—
 - (1.) A complaint in writing of misconduct or incapacity.
 - (2.) An inquiry thereinto by a board of not less than three persons.
 - (3.) A report from such board recommending such dismissal or removal.

Contingent upon the Motion being carried, To move, That a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting the concurrence of that Honorable House with the Address.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—Second reading.
2. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.
4. GRANTS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.

FRIDAY, 23RD APRIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. EMBLING : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the Laws relating to the transfer and encumbrance of freehold and other interests in land.
2. DR. OWENS : To move, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that the Government make notification that all Crown Land Reserves under Her Majesty's Order in Council, 9th March, 1847, beyond the Settled Districts as named in the *Gazette* of 24th March, 1853, and in subsequent *Gazettes*, by which certain lands are reserved from the possession of the occupants of the Run, be further reserved from the lessee or occupant of the Run for the free use of the population on all Runs whereon any lands are sold for agricultural or other purposes within the mining districts.
3. MR. SMITH : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the sum of £40,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, to the credit of the Board of Land and Works, to defray the cost of keeping the streets of the City of Melbourne in repair; such repairs to be executed by the City Council, with the concurrence of the Board.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.
3. MAIN TRUNK RAILWAYS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HUMFFRAY : 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, praying that His Excellency will cause the sum of £500 to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of paying over the same to Barnard Welch, in accordance with the following advertisement, inserted in the *Government Gazette* of the 24th October, 1854, relative to the death of James Scobie, viz. :—

“Notice is hereby given that a reward of Five hundred pounds will be paid to any person who will give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of any parties concerned.”

2. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150 for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearce, who was twenty years coxswain and superintendent of the Custom-House boats in Hobson's Bay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 30TH APRIL.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
6. DR. OWENS: To move, on the consideration of the Schedule to the Reform Bills, That the prayer of the Petition of the inhabitants of North Grant and North Grenville be taken into consideration.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 22nd April.

- GEELONG GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at 11 o'clock.
 COAL—at 11 o'clock.
 GEELONG BOUNDARIES RESTRICTION BILL—at 12 o'clock.
 SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL—at 2 o'clock.
 PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.
 BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 23rd April.

- CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.
 J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- April 22.*—Eighth Printing Report of Legislative Assembly. D.—No. 12.
 Sale of British Copyright Bill.
 Railway Amendment Bill.
 Board of Land and Works Amendment Bill.
 Bill to alter Electoral Districts, with alterations.
 Progress Report on Supreme Court Sittings Bill. D.—No. 15.
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 55.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[56]
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 22.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. BOARD OF LAND AND WORKS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. ELECTORAL DISTRICTS ALTERATION BILL.—Adoption of report.
3. MAIN TRUNK RAILWAYS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HUMFRAY: 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, praying that His Excellency will cause the sum of £500 to be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, for the purpose of paying over the same to Barnard Welch, in accordance with the following advertisement, inserted in the *Government Gazette* of the 24th October, 1854, relative to the death of James Scobie, viz. :—

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3. MR. WOOD: To move, That inasmuch as Police boats were employed in conveying certain seamen of the *Tornado* in custody from Williamstown to that vessel, this House is of opinion that the Attorney General should take the necessary legal steps for restoring them to liberty at the place whence they were taken in the Police boats.
4. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Report from the Select Committee on the Geelong Boundaries Bill be now taken into consideration.
5. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
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8. MR. SMITH: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the sum of £40,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, to the credit of the Board of Land and Works, to defray the cost of keeping the streets of the City of Melbourne in repair; such repairs to be executed by the City Council, with the concurrence of the Board.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. “CROWN” EXPLANATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—Adoption of report.
5. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.
6. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Adoption of report.
7. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.
8. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

1. MR. WILLS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if a Crown Grant of allotment 14 B, parish of Paywit, containing 156 acres 1 rood 24 perches, has been issued to any one, and if so, to whom?
2. MR. PHELAN: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what amount of money has been expended on the road between Bacchus Marsh and Ballan by the Government in the year 1857, and what amount has been expended by the Bacchus Marsh District Road Board, and the nature of the work done in both cases.
3. MR. HUMFRAY: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether the Government, during this Session, intend to bring in a Bill for establishing the limited liability of shareholders in mining partnerships.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH APRIL.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor embodying the following resolution:—
 1. That for the advancement of the public service the House strongly recommends that in future, no departmental officer, clerk, or other person in the service of the Government of Victoria shall be deprived of his office without the Governor's warrant, save by a vote of Parliament.
 2. That such warrant should not issue until after—
 - (1.) A complaint in writing of misconduct or incapacity.
 - (2.) An inquiry thereinto by a board of not less than three persons.
 - (3.) A report from such board recommending such dismissal or removal.

Contingent upon the Motion being carried, To move, That a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting the concurrence of that Honorable House with the Address.

FRIDAY, 30TH APRIL.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
6. MR. HEALES: To move, on the motion being put That the Speaker do leave the Chair for the consideration in Committee of the Medical Practitioners Bill, That the Committee be instructed to introduce a clause into the Bill to the effect that a Board be appointed to consist of homœopathic physicians who shall have all the privileges, powers, and advantages amongst those who practise the medical system of homœopathy in this Colony, which may be enjoyed by the general Medical Board to be appointed under the said Bill.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 23rd April.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.

Tuesday, 27th April.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 11 o'clock.

SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL—at 2 o'clock.

COAL FIELDS—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

April 23.—Local Court Rules, Buninyong. A.—No. 17.

Report on Deviation of Line of Murray River Railway.

Abolition of Imprisonment for Debt Bill.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[57]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 56.

Clauses proposed to be inserted in the Board of Land and Works Bill (*to Members of Assembly only*).Electoral Districts Alteration Bill (*reported 22nd April*)—*To Members of Assembly only.*

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 23.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1858.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. IRELAND: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to legalise the formation of partnerships with limited liability.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. BOARD OF LAND AND WORKS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. MAIN TRUNK RAILWAYS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor embodying the following resolution:—
 1. That for the advancement of the public service the House strongly recommends that in future, no departmental officer, clerk, or other person in the service of the Government of Victoria shall be deprived of his office without the Governor's warrant, save by a vote of Parliament.
 2. That such warrant should not issue until after—
 - (1.) A complaint in writing of misconduct or incapacity.
 - (2.) An inquiry thereinto by a board of not less than three persons.
 - (3.) A report from such board recommending such dismissal or removal.

Contingent upon the Motion being carried, To move, That a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting the concurrence of that Honorable House with the Address.

2. MR. LALOR: To move for copies of all the Correspondence that has taken place between the Government and the undermentioned gentlemen on the subject of the appointment of certain gentlemen who have been gazetted Mining Surveyors for the district of Ballaarat, viz.:—Between the Government and the Resident Warden; the Government and the several Members of the Mining Board; the Government and the several Mining Surveyors on Ballaarat; together with copies of all petitions for and against such appointments.
3. MR. QUARTERMAN: To move for a Committee to take into consideration the case of Mr. Andrew Rutherford, in accordance with the prayer of the petition from that gentleman, presented on the 27th April instant.
4. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150 for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearce, who was twenty years coxswain and superintendent of the Custom-House boats in Hobson's Bay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
2. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Adoption of report.
3. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL.—Adoption of report.
5. CARELESS USE OF FIRE RESTRICTION BILL.—Third reading.
6. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be committed.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether there is any intention of providing any accommodation for the use of Members, adjacent to the Parliament Houses; and if so, is it likely to be ready for the ensuing Parliament.
2. MR. WILKIE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works why tenders have not been called for the formation and maintenance of the Bulla road.
3. MR. ASPINALL: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether any of the tenders for the bridge at Creswick, which were advertised to be sent in by the 30th March, have been accepted.
 - (2.) Whether he is aware that the crossing is all but impassable, and that accidents to horses are of daily occurrence.
4. MR. HAINES: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether it is in the intention of the Board to expend any portion of the vote of £20,000 for unforeseen requirements in reference to roads and bridges towards the construction of the Queenscliff road, at a place called the Swamp, about three miles from Queenscliff.

5. MR. MYLES: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government have any intention to revise the fees payable under the Act for the more easy recovery of certain debts and demands.
6. MR. WILLS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if a Crown Grant of allotment 14 B, parish of Paywit, containing 156 acres 1 rood 24 perches, has been issued to any one, and if so, to whom?

THURSDAY, 29TH APRIL.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Report from the Select Committee on the Geelong Boundaries Bill be now taken into consideration.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.

1. MR. PHELAN: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what amount of money has been expended on the road between Bacchus Marsh and Ballan by the Government in the year 1857, and what amount has been expended by the Bacchus Marsh District Road Board, and the nature of the work done in both cases.

FRIDAY, 30TH APRIL.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
 - (3.) That it is the opinion of this House that the Government should take immediate steps towards securing the cession of King's Island to Victoria.
2. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the Laws relating to the transfer and encumbrance of freehold and other interests in land.
3. MR. SMITH: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the sum of £40,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, to the credit of the Board of Land and Works, to defray the cost of keeping the streets of the City of Melbourne in repair; such repairs to be executed by the City Council, with the concurrence of the Board.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL.—Second reading.
2. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.

1. DR. EMBLING: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, in the event of the separation of Fitz Roy Ward from the City of Melbourne, if the Government be willing to set apart a site for Public Baths, for the new municipality, in accordance with the Report on Public Baths, adopted 13th January, 1857.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
6. MR. HEALES: To move, on the motion being put That the Speaker do leave the Chair for the consideration in Committee of the Medical Practitioners Bill, That the Committee be instructed to introduce a clause into the Bill to the effect that a Board be appointed to consist of homœopathic physicians who shall have all the privileges, powers, and advantages amongst those who practise the medical system of homœopathy in this Colony, which may be enjoyed by the general Medical Board to be appointed under the said Bill.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 28th April.

GEELONG GAS COMPANY'S BILL—at 11 o'clock.
SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 11 o'clock.
CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.
BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.
REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 29th April.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.
SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- April 24.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 57.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 23.
Bill to prevent Frauds by Bankers.
Bill to fix Terms, Sittings, &c., of Supreme Court.
Bill to alter Electoral Districts.
- April 28.*—Local Court Rules { Beechworth. A.—No. 18.
Castlemaine. A.—No. 27.
Fryers Creek. A.—No. 23.
Maldon. A.—No. 22.
- Petition—Education Bill. E.—No. 47.
Seventh Report of Assembly Printing Committee. D.—No. 11.
Finance. A.—No. 41.
Railway Act Amendment Bill (*reported 27th April*).
Board of Land and Works Bill (*reported 27th April*).
Medical Practitioners Bill.—Clause to be proposed in Committee by
Mr. Heales. (*To Members of Assembly only*).
“Crown” Explanation Bill (*reported 27th April*)—*To Members of
Assembly only.*
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[58]
Minutes of Proceedings, &c., No. 23, in lieu of those issued on the 24th April.
Particular Friendly Societies Bill.
Marriage Bill. (*To Members of Council only*).
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 24.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY, 1858.

Government Business:—

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PARTNERSHIP BILL—Second reading.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILLS: To move, That this Assembly is of opinion that immediate steps should be taken by the Government to ascertain the most practicable means (by fortifications or otherwise) for insuring the safety of our ships in Hobson's Bay in time of war.
2. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Report from the Select Committee on the Geelong Boundaries Bill be now taken into consideration.
3. MR. WILKIE: 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 praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £500 as compensation for a house built on Government land at Mount Blackwood, and as a gratuity to the widow of the late Mr. John S. August, who was for above five years in the public service, and who died from a disease brought on by close attention to his official duties.
4. MR. GREEVES: To move for a copy of any correspondence between the manager and directors of the Industrial Society (agricultural department) and the Chief Secretary on the refusal of aid from the grant for agricultural purposes.
5. DR. THOMSON: To move for a return giving the following information with reference to the Yan Yean water supply, viz. :—
 - (1.) Amount of advances from the bank.
 - (2.) Amount due to contractors.
 - (3.) Estimated amount due to William Fairbairn, Esq., Manchester, for orders recently sent home.
 - (4.) Estimated amount for works in progress.
 - (5.) The time when the works will be completed.
6. DR. EMBLING: To move, That the introduction into these Colonies of valuable stock foreign to the breeds at present possessed by them would materially assist in the development of the capabilities of the Australias.
 - (2.) That King's Island, which remains wholly neglected and unoccupied, presents unusual facilities by its position, climate, and extent, for a most favorable test as to the adaptability of foreign stock to these latitudes, and the possibility of naturalizing the same.
 - (3.) That it is the opinion of this House that the Government should take immediate steps towards securing the cession of King's Island to Victoria.
7. DR. EMBLING: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to simplify the Laws relating to the transfer and encumbrance of freehold and other interests in land.
8. MR. SMITH: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the sum of £40,000 may be placed on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, to the credit of the Board of Land and Works, to defray the cost of keeping the streets of the City of Melbourne in repair; such repairs to be executed by the City Council, with the concurrence of the Board.
9. MR. PHELAN: To move for returns of the amounts of money expended on the Ballarat road in the year 1857, between Ballan and Bacchus Marsh, the number of miles made, and the expense of each mile; also, the amount of money expended by the District Road Board at Bacchus Marsh, the number of miles made, and the expense of each mile.
10. MR. QUARTERMAN: To move for a Committee to take into consideration the case of Mr. Andrew Rutherford, in accordance with the prayer of the petition from that gentleman, presented on the 27th April instant, and that such Committee shall consist of Mr. Greeves, Mr. Everard, Mr. Lalor, Mr. Heales, Mr. O'Brien, and Mr. Quarterman.

11. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor embodying the following resolution:—

1. That for the advancement of the public service the House strongly recommends that in future, no departmental officer, clerk, or other person in the service of the Government of Victoria shall be deprived of his office without the Governor's warrant, save by a vote of Parliament.
2. That such warrant should not issue until after—
 - (1.) A complaint in writing of misconduct or incapacity.
 - (2.) An inquiry thereinto by a board of not less than three persons.
 - (3.) A report from such board recommending such dismissal or removal.

Contingent upon the Motion being carried, To move, That a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting the concurrence of that Honorable House with the Address.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. "CROWN" EXPLANATION BILL.—Adoption of report.
3. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL.—Second reading.
4. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC EDUCATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
6. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

1. MR. WILLS: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if his attention has been directed to the following clause in Road Contracts:—"The contractor must make his own arrangements for quarries, and find and provide all stone required, as no authority or permission will be given him by the Board to enter any *public* or private lands for the purpose of obtaining stone."
2. MR. HAINES: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether it is in the intention of the Board to expend any portion of the vote of £20,000 for unforeseen requirements in reference to roads and bridges towards the construction of the Queenscliff road, at a place called the Swamp, about three miles from Queenscliff.
3. DR. EMBLING: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, in the event of the separation of Fitz Roy Ward from the City of Melbourne, if the Government be willing to set apart a site for Public Baths, for the new municipality, in accordance with the Report on Public Baths, adopted 13th January, 1857.
4. MR. HEALES: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether, in the opinion of the law officers of the Crown, any two or more justices of the peace, in petty sessions assembled, have power under the 48th section of the 13th Victoria No. 29 to grant special licenses to open public houses on Sundays, Good Fridays, and Christmas Days.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
6. MR. HEALES: To move, on the motion being put That the Speaker do leave the Chair for the consideration in Committee of the Medical Practitioners Bill, That the Committee be instructed to introduce a clause into the Bill to the effect that a Board be appointed to consist of homœopathic physicians who shall have all the privileges, powers, and advantages amongst those who practise the medical system of homœopathy in this Colony, which may be enjoyed by the general Medical Board to be appointed under the said Bill.
7. DR. THOMSON: To move, *contingent* on the House agreeing to any sum for the relief of the "Town Fund" of the City of Melbourne, That a like sum *pro ratâ* be voted for Geelong.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 29th April.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 11 o'clock.
CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.
J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.
SUPREME COURT SITTINGS BILL—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 30th April.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED THURSDAY, APRIL 29.

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Publicans Law Amendment Bill—Petitions. E.—Nos. 46, 50.
Ninth Report of Assembly Printing Committee. D.—No. 13.
Sixth Report of Assembly Printing Committee. D.—No. 9.
Report from Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Lunatic Asylum. D.—No. 16.
Supreme Court Sittings Bill (*as re-reported 27th April*).
Marriage Bill.
Crown Explanation Bill (*as reported 27th April*).
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[59]
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 58.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 24.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 25.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 18TH MAY, 1858.

Government Business:—

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARTNERSHIPS LIMITED LIABILITY BILL.—Second reading.
2. PARTNERSHIPS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HAINES: To move for a return showing—
 - (1.) The amount expended in the erection of the School called the Geelong National Grammar School; the sum raised by local contribution and the sum granted by the National Board; and the date or dates of the payment of the sum or sums so granted.
 - (2.) The number of masters employed in such school; the salary paid to each master; the amount of salary paid by local fees; and the amount paid by the National Board.
 - (3.) The number of children on the books of such school, and their average attendance.
 - (4.) The character of the religious instruction appointed by the Patrons of the school.
 - (5.) The number of visits (if any), of the clergy of different denominations, for the purpose of affording religious instruction, specifying those of the clergy of each denomination separately.
 - (6.) All correspondence between the National Board, the patrons of the school, and the local clergy.
2. MR. PERRY: 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £150, for a gratuity to the widow of the late James Pearse, who was twenty years Coxswain and Superintendent of the Custom House boats, in Hobson's Bay.
3. MR. WILLS: To move, That this Assembly is of opinion that immediate steps should be taken by the Government to ascertain the most practicable means (by fortifications or otherwise) for insuring the safety of our ships in Hobson's Bay in time of war.
4. MR. WILKIE: 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 praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates the sum of £500 as compensation for a house built on Government land at Mount Blackwood, and as a gratuity to the widow of the late Mr. John S. August, who was for above five years in the public service, and who died from a disease brought on by close attention to his official duties.
5. DR. THOMSON: To move, That the Report from the Select Committee on the Geelong Boundaries Bill be now taken into consideration.
6. MR. PERRY: To move—
 - (1.) That it is the opinion of this House that the commercial and general interests of Victoria would be materially promoted by providing docking accommodation adequate to the wants of the Ocean Mail Steamers, Ships of War, and the larger class of Merchant Ships.
 - (2.) *Contingent* upon the adoption of the foregoing motion, That as a long time must necessarily be expended upon the construction of a Graving Dock sufficiently commodious to meet these important objects, this House deeming it expedient that no time should be lost recommends the Government to take preliminary steps for determining the most eligible site for such a Dock, and afterwards to lay upon the Table of the House an outline plan of the proposed Site and Dock preparatory to the consideration of an Address to His Excellency the Governor for a grant of money to commence the work.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. GRANT TO CORPORATION OF MELBOURNE.—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
2. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL.—Second reading.
3. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
4. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Second reading.
5. ELECTIONS REGULATIONS BILL.—Adoption of report.
6. PUBLICANS LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.
7. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

1. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General who is Mr. William Baker of Ballarat, gazetted on the 13th April as a Territorial Magistrate, and whether the same is intended for Mr. James Baker, Chairman of the Mining Board.
2. MR. EVERARD: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, if it is the intention of the Government to cause a survey to be made between the Goulburn River and the Goulburn diggings, with the view of supplying that field with water.
3. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Honorable the Solicitor General whether on the 13th day of April, 1858, he stated in his place in the House, that Mr. Archer, the Secretary to the Law Department, was incompetent to discharge the duties of his office, and if so, whether the Government intend to appoint a Board to enquire into the competency of Mr. Archer.
4. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, when the work at the Custom House will probably be resumed, and the building finished.
5. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Government have considered, or are likely to consider, the propriety of erecting the new Post Office on the site of the Western Market.
6. MR. ASPINALL: To ask the President of the Board of Land and Works why certain allotments at Guildford, advertised for sale by auction, by the Government, at Castlemaine, on 13th April, were withdrawn, and on whose recommendation or petition.
7. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, whether the Government intend sending competent Civil Engineers to report upon the practicability of supplying the principal Gold Fields with Water for sanatory and mining purposes.
8. MR. HUMFFRAY: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works if it be the intention of the Government to publish the physical maps of the Colony, so soon as they may be prepared by Mr. Selwyn, the Government Geologist; also the contour map of Ballarat prepared by Mr. Phillips.
9. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what arrangement the Government have entered into with the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company relative to the bridge dispute between that Company and the Emerald Hill Municipality.
10. MR. HANCOCK: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works whether the Government intend to make a causeway, extending from the foot of the bridge at the Botanical Gardens across the low part of Richmond Park, to afford means of access to these gardens from East and North Melbourne and Collingwood.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE: To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR: To move, That the "*Elections Regulations Bill*" be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE: To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the "*Elections Regulations Bill*," and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
6. MR. HEALES: To move, on the motion being put That the Speaker do leave the Chair for the consideration in Committee of the Medical Practitioners Bill, That the Committee be instructed to introduce a clause into the Bill to the effect that a Board be appointed to consist of homœopathic physicians who shall have all the privileges, powers, and advantages amongst those who practise the medical system of homœopathy in this Colony, which may be enjoyed by the general Medical Board to be appointed under the said Bill.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 6th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 7th May.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- April 30.*—Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Assembly—No. 9.
 Union Bank Bill (*to members of Council only*).
 Bill to alter Electoral Districts.
 Sewerage and Water Act Amendment Bill.
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 59.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 25.
- May 1.*—Marriage Bill (*as referred from Select Committee of Legislative Council*).
May 5.—Marriage Bill (*as reported 4th May—to members of Council only*).
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 26.
 Mining Associations Bill (*to members of Assembly only*).
- May 6.*—Petition—Publicans Law Amendment Bill. E.—No. 44.
 Geelong Boundaries Bill (*as altered in Select Committee of Legislative Assembly—to Assembly members only. Private*).
 Geelong Gas Bill. (*Private*).
 Mining Associations Bill.
 Marriage Bill (*as reported 4th May*).
 Supreme Court Sittings Bill (*to members of Council only—as returned from Legislative Assembly*).
 Friendly Societies Amendment Bill.
 Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Emerald Hill Correspondence, with Evidence, &c. D.—No. 17.
 Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Geelong Boundaries Restriction Bill, with Evidence, &c. (*to Assembly members only. Private*)
 Finance (*to be substituted for the Paper on the same subject issued on 28th April*).
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[60]
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 26.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 27.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH MAY, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be taken into consideration.
2. PARTNERSHIPS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BROOKE : To move the suspension of Standing Order No. 140, with the view of expediting the third reading of the Geelong Gas Company's Bill.
2. MR. BROOKE : To move, That the Report from the Select Committee upon the Geelong Gas Company's Bill be now taken into consideration.
3. MR. WILLS : To move, That this Assembly is of opinion that immediate steps should be taken by the Government to ascertain the most practicable means (by fortifications or otherwise) for insuring the safety of our ships in Hobson's Bay in time of war.
4. DR. THOMSON : To move suspension of Standing Order No. 140, and *contingent* upon such Standing Order being suspended, That the "*Geelong Boundaries Bill*" be now read a third time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MRS. PEARSE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 2. MRS. AUGUST—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 3. GRANT TO CORPORATION OF MELBOURNE—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
 4. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Second reading.
 5. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 6. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Second reading.
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1. MR. ADAMSON : To ask the Hon. the Attorney General whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a Bill to revive the powers of the Central and District Road Boards for the compulsory purchase or taking of lands, which powers have become extinct through the apparently inadvertent incorporation with the Roads Act, of sec. 123 of the "*Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845.*"
 2. MR. ADAMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the President of the Board of Land and Works :—
 1. Whether it is true, as reported, that the sale of a pre-emptive section at Lima, on the Broken River to William MacKellar, Esq., has been so made as to enable the vendee to close the public thoroughfare from Mansfield to Benalla, being the only track practicable at all seasons without a long and difficult circuit, and on which there is a Government bridge included within the limits of the pre-emptive section.
 2. What instructions, if any, have at any time been conveyed to the District Surveyors as to provision for public thoroughfares traversing surveys for sale or pre-emptive sections.
 3. DR. EMBLING : To ask the Government if the site for the future residence of the Governor of Victoria is finally decided upon ; and if so, does Government propose taking steps towards planting the grounds during the present winter, or to delay the planting until the building is commenced.
 4. MR. ADAMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the President of the Board of Land and Works, what steps have been taken relative to the Vote of £1000 towards the clearing of the Ovens River.
 5. MR. HORNE : To ask the Government when the Lighthouses at the Western Ports will be commenced, the money having been already voted.
 6. MR. BROOKE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) If the Government will state to the House, as early as may be convenient, the financial arrangements they purpose making for the disposal of debentures for railway purposes.
 - (2.) Whether they have any objection to lay upon the Table the propositions relative to this subject, submitted for their consideration, by parties desirous of negotiating the loan.
 - (3.) If it be the intention of the Government to take the opinion of Parliament upon these propositions, before committing the country to the acceptance or rejection of any of them.
 7. MR. STWELL : To ask the Honorable the Attorney General who is Mr. William Baker of Ballaarat, gazetted on the 13th April as a Territorial Magistrate, and whether the same is intended for Mr. James Baker, Chairman of the Mining Board.
 8. MR. SERVICE : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what arrangement the Government have entered into with the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company relative to the bridge dispute between that Company and the Emerald Hill Municipality.

THURSDAY, 20TH MAY.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BROOKE, To move, contingent on the Report upon the Geelong Gas Company's Bill being adopted, and Standing Order No. 140 being suspended, That the Bill be now read a third time.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 21ST MAY.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MOLLISON : To move for a copy of any instructions recently issued by the Board of Land and Works having reference to the reservation of water frontages.

TUESDAY, 25TH MAY.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MOLLISON : To move, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee upon the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, and do agree to the following resolution :—
 “ That the present union of the office of Master in Equity and Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates is very detrimental to the public interests, the amount of business in each of these branches being amply sufficient to engage the undivided attention of one person.”

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. MR. LALOR : To move, That the “*Elections Regulations Bill*” be recommitted, with the view of striking out the fifth clause.
5. MR. BROOKE : To move, *contingent* on the third reading of the “*Elections Regulations Bill*,” and prior to the motion being put, That this Bill do now pass, that Clause XXI., securing the representation of minorities, be struck out.
6. DR. THOMSON : To move, on the third reading of the Geelong Boundaries Restriction Bill, the striking out of the Schedule A, and the insertion of the following in lieu thereof :—

SCHEDULE A.

Commencing at a point on Corio Bay bearing north fifty links from the north-east angle of allotment fifty-nine parish of Moorpanyal thence by the centre of a Government road bearing west to the centre of another Government road forming the western boundary to allotments seventy-nine and eighty-one thence by the centre of the said Government road bearing south to its intersection with the north-east side of Batesford road thence by the north-east side of Batesford road bearing south-easterly to the south-east angle of allotment eighty-one thence by a line bearing south fifty links thence by the centre of a Government road known as Church street bearing west to its intersection with the centre of another Government road forming the western boundary to section eight thence by the centre of the said road bearing south to its intersection with the centre of Aberdeen street thence by the centre of Aberdeen street bearing east to the centre of La Trobe terrace thence by the centre of La Trobe terrace bearing south to the north bank of the River Barwon thence by a line bearing south to the centre of the river thence by a line down the centre of the River Barwon bearing southerly and easterly to a point intersected by the extension of the west side of the Government road forming the western boundary to the parish of Moolap thence bearing north by the west side of the said road to its intersection with Corio Bay thence by Corio Bay bearing westerly and northerly at ordinary low water mark to the point of commencement.

Also the insertion of the following Schedule C:—

SCHEDULE C.

Thirty acres two roods and twenty-two perches for slaughter houses and cattle markets at Cowie's Creek parish of Moorpanyal county of Grant—commencing at the north-east angle of suburban allotment number two hundred and seventy-one and bounded on the west by a line bearing south one thousand six hundred and six links thence by a line bearing north eighty-seven degrees east sixty-four links thence by a line bearing north fifty-four degrees east five hundred and thirty-seven links thence by a line bearing due south five hundred and sixty-four links to Corio Bay thence north-easterly by low water mark of Corio Bay to the southern side of the curve to the proposed railway jetty thence along the said curve radius eighteen chains westerly to the point of commencement.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 19th May.

SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 12 o'clock.
COAL—at 2 o'clock.
J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 20th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 10 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- May 7.—Geelong Gas Bill (*as amended in Select Committee of Legislative Assembly—private*).
Supreme Court Sittings Bill (*as returned from Legislative Assembly*).
Bill to legalize Partnerships, with proposed new Title.
Extracts from Part II. of Census Returns—Occupations of the People (*to members of Council only*).
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 28.
- May 8.—Report from Select Committee of Legislative Council on Marriage Bill, with Evidence, &c. D 2.
Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Union Bank of Australia Bill, with Evidence, &c. (*to members of Council only—private*).
Careless use of Fire Bill
Land and Works Amendment Bill } (*to members of Council only*).
Railway Act Amendment Bill }
- May 10.—Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 28.
- May 10, 11.—Marriage Bill (*as reported 6th May*).
- May 11.—Importation of Live Stock—Return. C.—No. 5.
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 60.
- May 12.—Petitions—Publicans Law Amendment Bill. E.—Nos. 52, 55.
Local Court Rules, Ballarat. A.—No. 26.
Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Assembly—Nos. 10, 11.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 29.
- May 13.—Clauses to be proposed in Committee on Medical Bill—*Dr. Embling* (*to members only*).
Second Printing Report of Legislative Council.
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 29.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 30.
- May 14.—Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 30.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 31.
Denominational School Board Report, 1856-7.
- May 15.—Clauses to Sewerage and Water Bill—*Honorable N. Guthridge* (*to members of Council only*).
Mr. Clement Wilkes. A.—No. 45.
Petition—Increase of Members Bill. E.—No. 53.
- May 17.—Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 31.
- May 18.—Notices of Motion—Second issue (*to members only*).
Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 31 ← (*to be substituted for those issued on the 17th May*).
Report of Select Committee of Legislative Assembly on Supreme Court Sittings, with Evidence, &c.

May 19.—Sewerage and Water Bill—New Clause, in lieu of Clause V. (*to members of Council only*).

Crown Lands Alienated.

Weekly Report of Divisions in Committee of Legislative Council—No. 3.

Petition—Publicans Law Amendment Bill. E.—No. 54.

Melbourne Sewerage and Water Supply. Return. C.—No. 7.

“ Crown ” Explanation Bill (*to members of Council only*).

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

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 32.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 20TH MAY, 1857.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—To be taken into consideration.
2. PARTNERSHIPS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BROOKE : To move, That the Report from the Select Committee upon the Geelong Gas Company's Bill be now taken into consideration.
2. MR. BROOKE : To move the suspension of Standing Order No. 140, with the view of expediting the third reading of the Geelong Gas Company's Bill.
3. MR. BROOKE, To move, contingent on the Report upon the Geelong Gas Company's Bill being adopted, and Standing Order No. 140 being suspended, That the Bill be now read a third time.
4. MR. WILLS : To move, That this Assembly is of opinion that immediate steps should be taken by the Government to ascertain the most practicable means (by fortifications or otherwise) for insuring the safety of our ships in Hobson's Bay in time of war.
5. DR. THOMSON : To move suspension of Standing Order No. 140, and *contingent* upon such Standing Order being suspended, That the "*Geelong Boundaries Bill*" be now read a third time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
 2. MRS. PEARSE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 3. MRS. AUGUST—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
 4. GRANT TO CORPORATION OF MELBOURNE—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
 5. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Second reading.
 6. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 7. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Second reading.
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1. MR. ADAMSON : To ask the Hon. the Attorney General whether it is the intention of the Government to bring in a Bill to revive the powers of the Central and District Road Boards for the compulsory purchase or taking of lands, which powers have become extinct through the apparently inadvertent incorporation with the Roads Act, of sec. 123 of the "*Lands Clauses Consolidation Act, 1845.*"
 2. MR. ADAMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the President of the Board of Land and Works :—
 1. Whether it is true, as reported, that the sale of a pre-emptive section at Lima, on the Broken River to William MacKellar, Esq., has been so made as to enable the vendee to close the public thoroughfare from Mansfield to Benalla, being the only track practicable at all seasons without a long and difficult circuit, and on which there is a Government bridge included within the limits of the pre-emptive section.
 2. What instructions, if any, have at any time been conveyed to the District Surveyors as to provision for public thoroughfares traversing surveys for sale or pre-emptive sections.
 3. DR. EMBLING : To ask the Government if the site for the future residence of the Governor of Victoria is finally decided upon ; and if so, does Government propose taking steps towards planting the grounds during the present winter, or to delay the planting until the building is commenced.
 4. MR. ADAMSON : To ask the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the President of the Board of Land and Works, what steps have been taken relative to the Vote of £1000 towards the clearing of the Ovens River.
 5. MR. HORNE : To ask the Government when the Lighthouses at the Western Ports will be commenced, the money having been already voted.
 6. MR. BROOKE : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) If the Government will state to the House, as early as may be convenient, the financial arrangements they purpose making for the disposal of debentures for railway purposes.
 - (2.) Whether they have any objection to lay upon the Table the propositions relative to this subject, submitted for their consideration, by parties desirous of negotiating the loan.
 - (3.) If it be the intention of the Government to take the opinion of Parliament upon these propositions, before committing the country to the acceptance or rejection of any of them.

7. **MR. SITWELL:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney General who is Mr. William Baker of Ballarat, gazetted on the 13th April as a Territorial Magistrate, and whether the same is intended for Mr. James Baker, Chairman of the Mining Board.
8. **MR. SERVICE:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works what arrangement the Government have entered into with the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company relative to the bridge dispute between that Company and the Emerald Hill Municipality.

FRIDAY, 21ST MAY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. MOLLISON:** To move for a copy of any instructions recently issued by the Board of Land and Works having reference to the reservation of water frontages.

TUESDAY, 25TH MAY.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. MOLLISON:** To move, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee upon the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, and do agree to the following resolution:—

“That the present union of the office of Master in Equity and Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates is very detrimental to the public interests, the amount of business in each of these branches being amply sufficient to engage the undivided attention of one person.”

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **DR. OWENS:** To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. **CAPT. CLARKE:** To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. **MR. HANCOCK:** To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
4. **DR. THOMSON:** To move, on the third reading of the Geelong Boundaries Restriction Bill, the striking out of the Schedule A, and the insertion of the following in lieu thereof:—

SCHEDULE A.

Commencing at a point on Corio Bay bearing north fifty links from the north-east angle of allotment fifty-nine parish of Moorpanyal thence by the centre of a Government road bearing west to the centre of another Government road forming the western boundary to allotments seventy-nine and eighty-one thence by the centre of the said Government road bearing south to its intersection with the north-east side of Batesford road thence by the north-east side of Batesford road bearing south-easterly to the south-east angle of allotment eighty-one thence by a line bearing south fifty links thence by the centre of a Government road known as Church street bearing west to its intersection with the centre of another Government road forming the western boundary to section eight thence by the centre of the said road bearing south to its intersection with the centre of Aberdeen street thence by the centre of Aberdeen street bearing east to the centre of La Trobe terrace thence by the centre of La Trobe terrace bearing south to the north bank of the River Barwon thence by a line bearing south to the centre of the river thence by a line down the centre of the River Barwon bearing southerly and easterly to a point intersected by the extension of the west side of the Government road forming the western boundary to the parish of Moolap thence bearing north by the west side of the said road to its intersection with Corio Bay thence by Corio Bay bearing westerly and northerly at ordinary low water mark to the point of commencement.

Also the insertion of the following Schedule C:—

SCHEDULE C.

Thirty acres two roods and twenty-two perches for slaughter houses and cattle markets at Cowie's Creek parish of Moorpanyal county of Grant—commencing at the north-east angle of suburban allotment number two hundred and seventy-one and bounded on the west by a line bearing south one thousand six hundred and six links thence by a line bearing north eighty-seven degrees east sixty-four links thence by a line bearing north fifty-four degrees east five hundred and thirty-seven links thence by a line bearing due south five hundred and sixty-four links to Corio Bay thence north-easterly by low water mark of Corio Bay to the southern side of the curve to the proposed railway jetty thence along the said curve radius eighteen chains westerly to the point of commencement.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 20th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 10 o'clock.
SUPPLY OF WATER TO GEELONG—at 12 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 21st May.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

May 20.—"Crown" Explanation Bill.

Additional Estimates, 1858. B.—No. 5.

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

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 61.

Additional Clauses Mining Associations Bill (*to members of Assembly only*).

Road Bill (*to members of Assembly only*).

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 32.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 33.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 21ST MAY, 1858.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MOLLISON: To move for a copy of any instructions recently issued by the Board of Land and Works having reference to the reservation of water frontages.
2. MR. WILLS: To move, That in the opinion of this House the sum of £10,000 voted by the Legislative Assembly for the making and repair of certain roads within the present boundaries of the Corporation of Geelong, during the year 1858, should forthwith be expended for such purposes, irrespective of the "*Geelong Boundaries Restriction Bill*," now before the Legislature.
3. MR. ADAMSON: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend in a certain particular an Act intituled "*An Act for making and improving Roads in the Colony of Victoria*."
4. MR. SITWELL: To move, That this House will on Tuesday resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering an Address to His Excellency, requesting him to cause a sum of £3000 to be placed upon the Estimates, to be divided by monthly payments amongst the members of the Mining Boards, in proportion to the distances they respectively reside from the places at which the Boards of which they are members are held.
5. MR. GRANT: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to make Mortgages of Plant, Machinery, and other Chattels used for mining purposes, valid without delivery.
6. DR. OWENS: 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, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place the sum of £4000 on the Supplementary Estimates for 1858, to supplement the sum of £2000, on the current Estimates, for the erection of a bridge at Avoca.
7. DR. GREEVES: To move, That the "*Marriage Laws Amendment Bill*" be now read a first time.
8. MR. BROOKE: To move, That the "*Geelong Gas Company's Bill*" be now read a third time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE, No. 5—RESOLUTIONS IN COMMITTEE—To be reported.
2. PARTNERSHIPS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MRS. PEARSE—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
4. MRS. AUGUST—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—To be considered in Committee.
5. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Second reading.

1. DR. OWENS: To ask the Chief Secretary—
 - (1) If the Government has obtained any report from the Warden, or any other authorised source, as to the nature and extent of the damages, as set forth in the Memorial of the Puddlers of Bendigo; if not, why not.
 - (2.) Has the subject of the Memorial been under the consideration of the Executive; and what course will the Ministry take, with the view of meeting and settling the claims put forward by the Memorialists.
2. MR. MOLLISON: To ask the Honorable the Attorney General whether, if the Prothonotary issued a jury precept during the present month, and the Sheriff did not act on it until the 1st day of June, and then summoned jurors for the 5th, the inconvenience of adjourning the sittings of the Supreme Court for a longer period could not be avoided.
3. MR. GREEVES: To ask the Government the reason of the delay in the erection of the bridge over the Yarra at Heidelberg, and when it is proposed to go on with the work.
4. MR. BROOKE: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) If the Government will state to the House, as early as may be convenient, the financial arrangements they purpose making for the disposal of debentures for railway purposes.
 - (2.) Whether they have any objection to lay upon the Table the propositions relative to this subject, submitted for their consideration, by parties desirous of negotiating the loan.
 - (3.) If it be the intention of the Government to take the opinion of Parliament upon these propositions, before committing the country to the acceptance or rejection of any of them.

TUESDAY, 25TH MAY.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MOLLISON : To move, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee upon the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, and do agree to the following resolution :—

“ That the present union of the office of Master in Equity and Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates is very detrimental to the public interests, the amount of business in each of these branches being amply sufficient to engage the undivided attention of one person.”

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts ; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 21st May.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 12 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 25th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

May 21.—Schedule to Geelong Boundaries Bill (*to members of Assembly only*).A Bill to amend Road Act (*Mr. Adamson*).Report on Geelong Gas Company's Bill (*to members of Council only*).Board of Land and Works Bill (*as reported 20th May*). *To members of Council only.*Supplies, 1858, and Supplementary Supplies, 1857 (*to members of Assembly only*).

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 62.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[63]

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 33.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 34.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY, 1858.

Government Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. O'SHANASSY : To move, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council, acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have appointed a Committee of five members to confer with a Committee of the Legislative Council, in order to prepare an Address from the Parliament of Victoria to congratulate Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the auspicious marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal with His Royal Highness Prince Frederick William of Prussia, and have empowered the Committee appointed by the Legislative Assembly to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council on Thursday next, at half-past two o'clock, in the Library of the Parliament.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PARTNERSHIPS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MOLLISON : To move, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee upon the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, and do agree to the following resolution :—

“ That the present union of the office of Master in Equity and Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates is very detrimental to the public interests, the amount of business in each of these branches being amply sufficient to engage the undivided attention of one person.”
2. MR. HAINES : To move, That this House is of opinion—
 - (1.) That a new Lunatic Asylum should be erected on the Reserve at Kew without delay.
 - (2.) That a Royal Commission, comprising medical men and architects, should be appointed to consider and furnish the Plans of an Institution to be constructed in accordance with the recommendations contained in the Report of the Select Committee, ordered to be printed on April 20th, 1858.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINING MACHINERY MORTGAGE BILL.—Second reading.
3. MARRIAGE LAWS CONSOLIDATION BILL.—Second reading.
4. MRS. PEARSE—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
5. MRS. AUGUST—RESOLUTION IN COMMITTEE.—To be reported.
6. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

1. DR. OWENS : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer whether he has received any communication from the Trustees of the Avoca Public Cemetery, soliciting a sum of money, viz. : £100, in aid of fencing the Cemetery; and if so, what is the intention of the Government on the subject.

THURSDAY, 27TH MAY.

General Business :—

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. CAPT. CLARKE : To move, on an early day, certain resolutions relating to a better division of the Territory into counties and districts; and further for providing for their local administration and improvement.
3. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

M E E T I N G S
OF
S E L E C T C O M M I T T E E S .

Tuesday, 25th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.

Wednesday, 26th May.

GEEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 12 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

P A R L I A M E N T A R Y P A P E R S I S S U E D .

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May 22.—Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[64]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 63.

Board of Land and Works Amendment Bill (*as reported in Legislative Council*).

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 27TH MAY, 1858.

Government Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CHAPMAN: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Audit Act of last Session.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PARTNERSHIPS BILL—Adoption of report.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. GRANT: To move, That the Petition of Mrs. Frances Mary Isles to the Executive, a copy of which is on the Table of this House, be referred to a Select Committee for consideration, and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Harker, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. Heales, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Wood, Mr. Smith, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Second reading.
2. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MARRIAGE LAWS CONSOLIDATION BILL.—Second reading.

1. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable Chief Secretary (in the absence of the President of the Board of Land and Works) whether the Government would have any objection to lay on the Table of this House all the tenders received in answer to the following advertisement, which appeared in the *Government Gazette* of 29th April, viz.:—

“Public Works Office, Melbourne, 27th April, 1858.

“Tenders will be received until twelve o'clock on Tuesday, 4th May, for a portion of Reilly-street Drain.

“Full particulars at this Office.

“C. GAVAN DUFFY.”

2. MR. ADAMSON: To ask the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the President of the Board of Land and Works, whether there is any objection on the part of the Government to lay upon the Table of this House copies of any correspondence between the Government and Mr. John Hore, of Talgarno, Murray District, with reference to the purchase by Mr. Hore of a portion of land under pre-emptive right at Talgarno, and of any minutes or other documents relating to this subject.

FRIDAY, 28TH MAY.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee upon the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, and do agree to the following resolution:—

“That the present union of the office of Master in Equity and Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates is very detrimental to the public interests, the amount of business in each of these branches being amply sufficient to engage the undivided attention of one person.”

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL—Adoption of report.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILKIE: To move, That the 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates of 1858 the sum of £5,000 for the further construction of the main road to Sunbury.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 27th May.

GEE LONG WATER SUPPLY—at 12 o'clock.
ADDRESS TO THE QUEEN—at half-past 2 o'clock.
CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 28th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.
J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- May 26.*—Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 34.
Marriage Bill.
Clauses to be proposed in Road Assessment Bill (*to Members of Assembly*).
Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 64.
- May 27.*—Weekly Divisions in Legislative Council—No. 4.
Sewerage Bill (*as reported in Legislative Council, May 26—to Members only*).
Road Act Amendment Bill (*to Members of Council only*).
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[65]
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 35.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 28TH MAY, 1858.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MOLLISON: To move, That the House do now proceed to the consideration of the Report from the Select Committee upon the Supreme Court Sittings Bill, and do agree to the following resolution:—
“That the present union of the office of Master in Equity and Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates is very detrimental to the public interests, the amount of business in each of these branches being amply sufficient to engage the undivided attention of one person.”
2. MR. GRANT: To move, That the Petition of Mrs. Frances Mary Isles to the Executive, a copy of which is on the Table of this House, be referred to a Select Committee for consideration, and report, with power to send for persons and papers; such Committee to consist of Mr. Harker, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. Heales, Mr. Ireland, Mr. Wood, Mr. Smith, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ROAD DISTRICTS ASSESSMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.
 2. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 3. PARTICULAR FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Third reading.
 4. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
 5. MARRIAGE LAWS CONSOLIDATION BILL.—To be committed.
 6. PARTNERSHIPS BILL.—Adoption of report.
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1. MR. HAINES: To ask the Government whether a piece of land has been granted to the Geelong Gas Company; and if so, where.
 2. MR. LALOR: To call the attention of the Government to the fact that no steps have as yet been taken with regard to the expenditure of the sum of £4,000 voted by this House to make the road to Ballarat and Sebastopol; also, that no steps have been taken with regard to the expenditure of the amount voted by this House for the improvement of the Ballarat Gaol.
 3. MR. GREEVES: To ask whether the Government have received copies of Correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Secretary of the Treasury, respecting the Postal Communication with Britain, including a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury of date 27th February, 1858; and whether there is any objection to lay the same on the Table of this House, together with copies of the Correspondence therein referred to with the Government of Victoria.
 4. MR. J. JOHNSON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works—
(1st.) What is the cause of the delay in applying the sum of £1,500 which has been voted for providing the township of Sale with Water.
(2nd.) When the works for the Bridge over the Nicholson River, for which £600 has been voted, will be commenced.
(3rd.) When it is the intention of the Government to commence the Bridge to be erected over the Avon River at Stratford, for which £2,500 has been included in the Appropriation Act.
 5. MR. JOHNSON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, at what time the Government purpose holding another Land Sale in Gipps Land.
 6. MR. SERVICE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of his colleague, the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, whether any steps have been taken by the Government toward the depositing of the Silt dredged from the bottom of the Yarra, on the banks of that river, in accordance with a resolution of this House affirming the desirability of such a course, and for which a sum of money has been voted.

TUESDAY, 1ST JUNE.

1. MR. PERRY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, if he will be good enough to draw the attention of the gentleman representing that department to the fact that the works connected with the extension of the Anne-street wharf, at Williamstown, have not been proceeded with, although a tender for those works was accepted by the Government nearly two months since.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

General Business:—

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WILKIE: To move, That the 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates of 1858 the sum of £5,000 for the further construction of the main road to Sunbury.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 28th May.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at half-past 2 o'clock.

Saturday, 29th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- May 28.*—Sewerage and Water Bill (*as reported in Legislative Council 26th May*).
 Road Act Amendment Bill.
 Audit Act Amendment Bill.
 Assessment in Road Districts Bill (*as reported 26th May*).
 Particular Friendly Societies Bill (*as reported 27th May*).
 Mining Associations Bill (*as reported 27th May*). *To members of Assembly only.*
 Careless Use of Fire Bill (*as reported 27th May*). *To members of Council only.*
 Sewerage and Water Bill (*as reported 27th May*). *To members of Council only.*
 Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 65.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[66]
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 36.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 1ST JUNE, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. POST OFFICE MONEY ORDERS BILL.—Second reading.
2. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. PARTNERSHIPS BILL—Adoption of report.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the Postmaster-General should provide at once to keep open, night and day, the Telegraph from the Heads for the transmission of mail news; and also keep open the offices in Melbourne for sending messages till ten o'clock at night, regularly, to the towns in the interior of the Colony.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. GEELONG WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE—Special Report to be taken into consideration.
2. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MARRIAGE LAWS CONSOLIDATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

1. MR. PERRY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, if he will be good enough to draw the attention of the gentleman representing that department to the fact that the works connected with the extension of the Anne-street wharf, at Williamstown, have not been proceeded with, although a tender for those works was accepted by the Government nearly two months since.
2. MR. GREEVES : To ask whether the Government have received copies of Correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Secretary of the Treasury, respecting the Postal Communication with Britain, including a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury of date 27th February, 1858; and whether there is any objection to lay the same on the table of this House, together with copies of the correspondence therein referred to with the Government of Victoria.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

General Business :—

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WILKIE : To move, That the 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates of 1858 the sum of £5,000 for the further construction of the main road to Sunbury.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS : To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. MR. HANCOCK : To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
3. MR. HUMFFRAY : To move, on an early day next Session, for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the desirability of organising a Militia Force, and to take evidence generally as to the best method of providing for the defence of the Colony against invasion.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Saturday, 29th May.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 2 o'clock.

Monday, 31st May.

BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 1st June.

COAL—at 12 o'clock.

GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

ADDRESS TO THE QUEEN—at half-past 2 o'clock.

J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1858.

Government Business :—

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. POST OFFICE MONEY ORDERS BILL.—Adoption of report.
2. AUDIT ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Adoption of report.

General Business :—

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WILKIE: To move, That the 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, praying that he will be pleased to place on the Supplementary Estimates of 1858 the sum of £5,000 for the further construction of the main road to Sunbury.
2. MR. SITWELL: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire whether the statements made in this House by the Honorable the Solicitor General, regarding the Secretary to the Law Department, can be substantiated by evidence, with power to take evidence.

Contingent on the motion being carried—

That such Committee do consist of Mr. Harker, Mr. Ebdon, Dr. Evans, Mr. Wood, Mr. Horne, Mr. D. S. Campbell, and the Mover; three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. GEELONG WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE—Special Report to be taken into consideration.
2. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—Adoption of report.
3. MARRIAGE LAWS CONSOLIDATION BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

1. MR. HEALES: To ask the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, when the work under the maintenance contract for the first four miles of the Sydney road will be commenced.
2. MR. EVERARD: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, if it is the intention of the Government to renew the lease of the Town Reserve at Echuca to the present occupant, after the expiration of the present lease.
3. MR. D. S. CAMPBELL: To ask the Government, now that the Patent Slip is nearly completed, what their intention is with regard to the working thereof, viz. :—Whether they intend to adopt the recommendation of the Board of Enquiry appointed last year to report upon the best method of conducting the management of the Patent Slip, or to retain the conduct of it in their own hands; it being necessary, if it is the intention of the Government to adopt the Report, that no further time should be lost in giving the three months' notice to the public, as suggested by the Board.
4. MR. SITWELL: To ask the Chief Secretary whether a provision will be inserted in the contract for the Mount Alexander Railway, requiring the construction of the works at Taradale and Harcourt simultaneously with the works near Melbourne.
5. MR. WOOD: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, when the Government intend to commence the public works in the Ovens District, for which money has been voted; particularly the formation of the approach to Beechworth and the improvement of the road between Beechworth and the Buckland.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. DR. OWENS: To move, on an early day, for a Select Committee to take evidence upon the extent and condition of agricultural pursuits, and upon the practical and scientific means of promoting agriculture in this Colony.
2. MR. HANCOCK: To move, on an early day, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to place upon a Supplementary Estimate for 1858 a sum of not less than £10,000 for improving the Road between Winchelsea and the Stony Rises, situate between Colac and Timboon.
3. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, on an early day next Session, for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the desirability of organising a Militia Force, and to take evidence generally as to the best method of providing for the defence of the Colony against invasion.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 2nd June.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 1 o'clock.
GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.
MRS. ISLES—at 2 o'clock.
J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 3rd June.

COAL—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- May 31.*—Bill to facilitate formation of Mining Associations with limited Liability (*as reported 28th May—to members of Assembly only*).
Clause to be proposed in Imprisonment for Debt abolition Bill.
Money Order Bill.
Careless use of Fire Bill.
- June 1.*—Special Report from Geelong Water Supply Committee, with Evidence, &c.
D.—No. 21.
Sewerage Bill (*as reported 27th May*).
- June 2.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—Nos. 66 and 67.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[68]
Commissioners of Sewerage and Water Supply and John Armstrong, Esq.
C.—No. 8.
Bill to facilitate formation of Mining Associations (*as reported 28th May*).
Geelong Gas Company's Bill (*Private—to members of Council only*).
Report from Select Committee upon Address of Congratulation to Her Majesty. D.—No. 24.
Roads District Assessment Bill (*to members of Council only*).
Mining Associations Bill with Limited Liability (*to members of Council only*).
Money Order Bill (*as reported 1st June—to members of Assembly only*).
Audit Act Amendment Bill (*as reported 1st June—to members of Assembly only*).
Imprisonment for Debt Abolition Bill (*as reported 1st June—to members of Assembly only*).
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 37.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 3RD JUNE, 1858.

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

1. IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT ABOLITION BILL—Adoption of report.

General Business:—

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HORNE: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to circumscribe the powers of the Judges of the Supreme Court, in granting bail to parties committed to take their trials for felonies and misdemeanors.
2. MR. GREEVES: To move for a copy of any Correspondence between the Government and the Secretary of State, with reference to the Office of Executive Councillor.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

2. BALLAARAT RIOTS, BENTLEY'S HOTEL—REPORT FROM SELECT COMMITTEE—To be taken into consideration.
 3. GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—SPECIAL REPORT FROM SELECT COMMITTEE—Resumption of Debate.
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1. MR. EVERARD: To ask the Treasurer if he has any objection to lay upon the Table of the House—
 - (1.) The names of the various Banks in which the monies of the State are deposited.
 - (2.) The average weekly balance in the hands of such Banks to the credit of the account during the last four weeks.
 - (3.) What interest is allowed by the Banks on such balances.
 - (4.) Whether any arrangements have been made as to the rate of interest to be charged in the event of the Government requiring an over-draft.
 2. MR. HUGHES: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, what is the reason that the works for a Lighthouse at Portland, for the erection of which money has been granted, have not yet been commenced, and when it is the intention of the Government to commence them.
 3. MR. MOLLISON: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney General to the circumstance that a Government Officer and a Justice of the Peace were reported to have presided at the drawing of a public lottery at Ballaarat, and to ask an explanation as to this illegal proceeding.
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FRIDAY, 4TH JUNE.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—REPORT FROM COMMITTEE—To be considered.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 3rd June.

- CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 10 o'clock.
COAL—at 12 o'clock.
MRS. F. M. ISLES—at 2 o'clock.
J. G. MCGREGOR'S CASE—at half-past 2 o'clock.
PRINTING—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

- June 3.*—Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly—No. 68.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[69]
 Assessment in Road Districts Bill (*as reported*).
 Abolition of Imprisonment for Debt Bill (*as reported 1st June*).
 Audit Act Amendment Bill (*as reported 1st June*).
 Money Order Bill (*as reported 1st June*).
 Mining Associations Bill.
 Ballaarat Riots.—Report, with Evidence, &c. D.—No. 23. (*To members of Assembly only*).
 Final Report on Geelong Water Supply. (*Proofs to members of Assembly only*).
 Abolition of Imprisonment for Debt Bill (*re-reported 2nd June*). *To members of Assembly only*.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council.—No. 30+-. (*To be substituted for those issued on 14th May*).
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 38.
 Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 37.
 Money Order Bill (*to members of Council only*).
 Audit Act Amendment Bill (*to members of Council only*).

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 4TH JUNE, 1858.

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is the intention of the Government, on an early day next Session, to introduce a Bill to authorise distillation.
2. **MR. WILLS:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if it is true that in the contemplated arrangements for night instruction to the prisoners in our Penal Establishments, the close confinement of Warders with that dangerous class is included.
3. **MR. D. S. CAMPBELL:** To ask if it is the intention of the Government to take any steps for securing the north bank of the Yarra between Church-street Bridge and the Punt-road.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **GEELONG WATER SUPPLY—REPORT FROM COMMITTEE—**To be considered.
2. **MRS. ISLES' PETITION—REPORT FROM SELECT COMMITTEE.—**To be taken into consideration.
3. **BALLAARAT RIOTS—BENTLEY'S HOTEL—MOTION FOR ADDRESS.—**To be considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY:** To move, on an early day next Session, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal Bye-law No. 7 of the Municipal Council, Ballaarat, and for supplying water to the Townships of Ballaarat and Ballaarat East.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 4th June.

CAPT. MAC MAHON'S CASE—at 12 o'clock.
COAL—at half-past 2 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED.

SESSION 1857-8.

June 4.—Ballaarat Riots—Bentley's Hotel—Report, with Evidence, &c. D.—No. 23.
Petition—Publicans Law Amendment Bill. E.—No. 51.
Petition—Members of Assembly Increase Bill. E.—No. 57.
Government Banking Operations and Balances. A.—No. 49.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[70]
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council—No. 39.

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