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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1924.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the first day of July, 1924, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk and is as follows :—

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Aide-de-Camp to his Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation, fix Tuesday, the eighth day of July, 1924, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

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

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

His Honour Mr. Justice Mann, the Commissioner from His Excellency the Governor appointed to open the Parliament, having been introduced to the Council Chamber by the Usher, His Honour desired the Usher to request the presence of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to hear the Commission read for the commencement and holding of this present Session of the Parliament.

The Members of the Legislative Assembly having presented themselves, His Honour Mr. Justice Mann said :—

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

His Excellency the Governor, not thinking fit to be present in person, has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to issue, under the Seal of the State, constituting me his Commissioner, to do in his name all that is necessary to be performed in this Parliament. This will more fully appear from the Letters Patent which will now be read by the Clerk.

Then the said Letters Patent were read by the Clerk as follow, viz. :—

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India :

WHEREAS by Proclamation made the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four by His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable GEORGE EDWARD JOHN MOWBRAY, Earl of Stradbroke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Aide-de-Camp to his Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c. &c., &c., Tuesday, the eighth day of July, was fixed as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Parliament of Victoria, at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And forasmuch as for certain causes the said Colonel the Right Honorable GEORGE EDWARD JOHN MOWBRAY, Earl of Stradbroke, cannot conveniently be present in person in the said Parliament at that time: NOW KNOW YE THAT WE, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved The Honorable FREDERICK WOLLASTON MANN, Justice of Our Supreme Court of Victoria, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto you the said FREDERICK WOLLASTON MANN full power in Our name to begin and hold the said Session of Our said Parliament, and to do everything which for and by Us, or the said GEORGE EDWARD JOHN MOWBRAY, Earl of Stradbroke, shall be there to be done; commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it may concern to meet our said Parliament, and to the said FREDERICK WOLLASTON MANN that he diligently attend in the premises and form aforesaid. In testimony whereof We have caused the Seal of Our said State to be hereunto affixed.

Witness Our trusty and well-beloved Cousin, Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Aide-de-Camp to his Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c., at Melbourne, this seventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, and in the fifteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29,
Page 141, this seventh day of July, One thousand nine
hundred and twenty-four.

W. P. HEATHERSHAW, Acting Under-Secretary.

Then His Honour Mr. Justice Mann said :—

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have it in command from His Excellency to let you know that, later this day, His Excellency will declare to you in person, in this place, the cause of his calling this Parliament together; and, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, as it is necessary before you proceed to the despatch of business that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, His Excellency requests that you, in your Chamber, will proceed to the choice of a proper person to be Speaker.

The Members of the Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

The Commissioner withdrew.

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

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables the President (F. G. Clarke), R. H. S. Abbott, W. Angliss, A. A. Austin, E. G. Bath, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, A. Bell, F. W. Brawn, A. E. Chandler, W. L. R. Clarke, H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, G. M. Davis, J. H. Disney, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, Dr. J. R. Harris, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, D. L. McNamara, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, H. F. Richardson, Sir A. Robinson, M. Saltau, H. H. Smith, J. Sternberg, W. Tyner, E. J. White, R. Williams, and A. M. Zwar, severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, FRANCIS GRENVILLE CLARKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Prahran and Gisborne, and are known as lots 19 and 20 of the subdivisional plan of the Trawalla Estate, City of Prahran, and part of Crown allotment 9, Shire of Gisborne, parish of Macedon, county of Bourke.*

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Gisborne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £30, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £175.

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

"FRANK G. CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of shire of Strathfieldsaye, and are known as 'Hooligan' and 'Mandurang.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £152.

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

"RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM CHARLES ANGLISS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of city of Melbourne and are known as part of allotment 6, section 24, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, volume 3701, folio 740157.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £560.

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

"W. ANGLISS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, AUSTIN ALBERT AUSTIN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Buninyong, and are known as 'Larundel,' Elaine.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Buninyong are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £2,255.

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

"AUSTIN A. AUSTIN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, EDWIN GEORGE BATH*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Kara Kara, and are known as 'Pleasant-side' Estate.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kara Kara are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £266.

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

"EDWIN G. BATH."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM JAMES BECKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds sterling above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Fitzroy, and are known as Nos. 150 to 156 Gertrude-street, Nos. 70, 72, 74 Napier-street.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Fitzroy are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £157.

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

“ W. J. BECKETT.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, THEODORE BEGGS, of Eurambeen, Beaufort, grazier, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-one pounds ten shillings above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ripon, and are known as Crown allotments 70B, 73C, 74, 74A, and 73B, parish of Eurambeen, county of Ripon, containing 206 acres.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ripon are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £51 10s.

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

“ THEODORE BEGGS.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, ALEXANDER BELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of city of Ballarat and are known as 101 Wendouree-parade, Ballarat.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £75.

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

“ ALEXANDER BELL.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, FREDERICK WILLIAM BRAWN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat, and are known as 213 Mill-street.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £50.

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

“ F. W. BRAWN.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, ALFRED ELLIOTT CHANDLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-seven pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Ferntree Gully and Mentone and Mordialloc, and are known as ‘Boronia,’ corner of Boronia and Forest roads, Boronia, being portion of Crown lot 69, parish of Scoresby; and ‘Swansea,’ Beach-road, Mordialloc.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ferntree Gully are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £227, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mentone and Mordialloc are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £50.

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

“ A. E. CHANDLER.”

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM LIONEL RUSSELL CLARKE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Bulla, and are known as 'Rupertswood' Farm, three hundred and eighty-two acres and thirty-one perches, being Crown allotment 2 and parts of Crown allotment 1 of section 21 of the parish of Bulla Bulla, No. 220 in the rate-book.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Bulla are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £300.

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

"W. L. RUSSELL CLARKE.

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HENRY ISAAC COHEN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and seventy-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Melbourne and Northcote, and are known as 'Keonbrook,' 106 Vale-street, East Melbourne, and lots 11 and 12, part A, of Thornbury Park Estate.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £160, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Northcote are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £18.

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

"HENRY ISAAC COHEN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM PAUL CROCKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield and are known as 273 Glenhuntly-road, Elsternwick.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £75.

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

"W. P. CROCKETT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, GEORGE MARTLEY DAVIS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Sale, and are known as Mathieson and Davis' offices and saleyards, Frances' stables, and Bolithos' tobacconist shop in Sale borough.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Sale are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £143.

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

"G. M. DAVIS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JAMES HERBERT DISNEY*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as 'Clontarf Terrace,' Cecil-street, South Melbourne.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £167.

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

"JAS. H. DISNEY."

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Ninety pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and, further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as Nos. 182 and 184 St. Kilda-street, St. Kilda.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £90.

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

“ W. H. EDGAR.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, GEORGE LOUIS GOUDIE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 49 Elizabeth-street, Elsternwick.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £58.

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

“ GEO. L. GOUDIE.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOHN RICHARDS HARRIS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of shire of Rutherglen, and are known as ‘ Norong Lea ’ vineyard, and a residence, ‘ Hiawatha,’ Rutherglen.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of shire of Rutherglen are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £300.

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

“ JOHN R. HARRIS.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HERBERT KECK*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and forty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye, and are known as ‘ The Palms,’ Retreat-road, Bendigo.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £240.

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

“ HERBERT KECK.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ESMOND LAURENCE KIERNAN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as house and land in Waldemar-road, Ivanhoe.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £70.

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

“ ESMOND L. KIERNAN.”

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, MARTIN MCGREGOR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Narracan, and are known as allotment 97A, parish of Moe, county of Buln Buln, and occupied by me as residence.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Narracan are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £130.

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

"M. MCGREGOR."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, DANIEL LAURENCE MCNAMARA*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Berwick and Caulfield, and are known as allotment 2, section P, and allotment 49A, section Q, parish of Koo-wee-rup East, county of Mornington; also house and land known as 'Iona,' Talbot-avenue, East St. Kilda.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Berwick are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £57, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £57 10s.

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

"D. L. MCNAMARA."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JAMES KERR MERRITT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and seventy pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as 'Fairholme,' Fellows-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £170.

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

"J. K. MERRITT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, THOMAS HENRY PAYNE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of city of Prahran, and are known as 'Leura,' Toorak, being Crown portion 30, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £900.

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

"T. H. PAYNE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HORACE FRANK RICHARDSON*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of city of Geelong, and are known as 'The Exchange' property, Little Malop-street, Geelong, and occupied by myself and tenants.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Geelong are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £220.

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

"H. F. RICHARDSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, ARTHUR ROBINSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as lots 10, 11, and 12 of the Tyalla Estate in Balfour-street, Toorak.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £141.

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

"ARTHUR ROBINSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, MARCUS SALTAU, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and, further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Warrnambool, and are known as part of 'Drysedale' estate.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mortlake are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £175, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Warrnambool are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £765.

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

"M. SALTAU."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, HERBERT HENRY SMITH, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 290-294 Lonsdale-street, Melbourne.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £220.

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

"HERBERT H. SMITH."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, JOSEPH STERNBERG, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of the shires of Waranga and Deakin, and are known as, firstly, Crown allotments 70E, 70F, parish of Moora, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga; secondly, Crown allotment 40, in the parish of Burrumboot East, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga; and, thirdly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, 41B, in the parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga and are firstly above described are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £52; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Waranga and are secondly above described are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £52; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin and are thirdly above described are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £54.

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

"J. STERNBERG."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, WILLIAM TYNER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 60 Hawthorn-road, Caulfield.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £100.

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

“ WILLIAM TYNER.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, EDWARD JAMES WHITE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Dundas and borough of Hamilton, and are known as ‘Waratah,’ being part of subdivision of the Kenilworth Estate, parish of Gatum Gatum, county of Dundas, containing 1,786½ acres. In the borough of Hamilton is my house and allotment fronting Gray-street; and an allotment at back of Hospital.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dundas are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £150, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of borough of Hamilton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £44.

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

“ E. J. WHITE.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ROBERT WILLIAMS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment, and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as 123 Wright-street, Middle Park.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £75.

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

“ R. WILLIAMS.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ALBERT MICHAEL ZWAR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Beechworth, and are known as private residence in Church-street, hall in Lock-street, and shop in Camp-street.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Beechworth are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £150.

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

“ A. M. ZWAR.”

4. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Governor was announced by the Usher.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have taken the earliest opportunity, after the recent General Election, of calling you together for the despatch of public business.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1923-1924, and a measure to make preliminary provision for the services of the current financial year, will be laid before you in due course.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

A full programme of legislation and policy was placed before the electors by my Advisers at the General Election, but until the complex position created by the result of that Election has been cleared up, it is not considered necessary to place it before you in any further detail.

I now leave you to your deliberations, in the earnest hope that, with the blessing of the Almighty your work may result in the advancement of the welfare of all classes of the community. Which being concluded, a copy of the Speech was delivered to the President, and a copy to Mr. Speaker, and His Excellency the Governor left the Chamber. The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

5. The President resumed the Chair.

6. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable J. P. Jones delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereinafter set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOHN PERCY JONES*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and seventy pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 20 22, 24, and 26 Patrick-street, Melbourne.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £470.

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

“J. P. JONES.”

7. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir. A. Robinson, a Bill relating to the Acquisition of Rights of Access of Air was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir A. Robinson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a copy of the following despatch :—

Melbourne,
30th June, 1924.

MY LORD,

Pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Victoria in the Senate through the death of Senator Stephen Barker, which occurred on the 21st June, 1924.

I have the honour to be, My Lord,
Your Excellency's obedient servant,
(Signed) THOS. GIVENS,
President of the Senate.

His Excellency the Right Honorable
The Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E.,
Governor of the State of Victoria,
Melbourne.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

9. COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications :—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915* I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable Richard Hartley Smith Abbott,
The Honorable Henry Isaac Cohen,
The Honorable William Haslam Edgar,
The Honorable Dr. John Richards Harris,
The Honorable Esmond Laurence Kiernan,
The Honorable Thomas Henry Payne, and
The Honorable Horace Frank Richardson

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

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President of the Legislative Council.

10. THE TITLE OF “HONORABLE”.—The President announced that he had received a communication from the Secretary to the Premier stating that a despatch had been received from the Colonial Office intimating that His Majesty the King had been pleased to approve of the retention of the title of “Honorable” by Sir Walter Manifold, who had been President of the Legislative Council of Victoria for more than three years, and had served continuously as a member for a period of more than ten years.

11. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The Honorable Sir A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the Honorable William Haslam Edgar be Chairman of Committees of the Council.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honorable Sir A. Robinson moved, by leave, That the following Members of this House be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, viz. :—The Honorables Alexander Bell and Horace Frank Richardson.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. PAPERS.—The Honorable Sir A. Robinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
High Cost of Living—Report No. 2 of the Royal Commission (Milk Supply and Distribution).
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

- Discharged Soldiers Settlement Act 1917—Regulations—Discharged Soldiers Inquiry Board.
- Health Act 1919—Food and Drug Standards Regulations.
- Lands Compensation Act 1915—Return, under section 37, showing the amount of money paid for the year 1923–24 by the State Electricity Commission for land resumed in connexion with the works and undertakings of the Commission.
- Local Government Act 1915—Regulations—Voting by Post at Municipal Elections made applicable to the Shire of Lowan.
- Public Library, Museums and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees for 1923, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1922–23.
- Public Service Act 1915.—Copy of Papers in connexion with the promotion of Samuel Albert Glass, Department of Law.
- Railways—
 - Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ended 31st March, 1924.
 - Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.
- Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1922—
 - Amendment of Proclamation.
 - Regulations providing for the Payment of a Bonus or Reward for the Destruction of Foxes and Wild Dogs and Vermin generally.
- Victorian Government Stock Act 1896—Regulations.

14. SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

The Honorable E. G. Bath moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable E. G. Bath moved, That the Committee consist of the Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable E. G. Bath brought up the Address, which had been agreed to by the Committee and the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

To His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G.; C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E., Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

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

The Honorable E. G. Bath moved, That the Council agree with the Committee in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

15. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and seventy-five thousand two hundred and forty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

16. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next, at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if his attention has been called to a paragraph in the *Herald* of the 5th instant in which the Chief Commissioner of Police is said to have advised people who must necessarily be out alone at night to carry a good loaded stick, if not a revolver ; if so, does the Government approve of this advice.
2. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What is the estimated loss of passenger traffic and revenue on the Bourke-street-Clifton Hill tramway line due to motor-bus opposition.
 - (b) Does the Tramways Board propose to hasten the electrification of this line.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. Sir A. ROBINSON : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day ; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business ; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business ; and that no fresh business be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock.
2. The Hon. Sir A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House ; three to be the quorum.
3. The Hon. Sir A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara be members of the House Committee.
4. The Hon. Sir A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs and W. L. R. Clarke be members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
5. The Hon. Sir A. ROBINSON : To move, That the Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams be members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum.
6. The Hon. Sir A. ROBINSON : To move, That in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws, adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; five to be the quorum.

Contingent upon the foregoing being carried—

To move, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
2. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(Hon. Sir A. Robinson)—Second reading.
3. VACANCY IN THE SENATE—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Milk Supply Act 1922*.
2. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow Railway Employés and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service
3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915*.
4. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Parliamentary Elections,
5. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*.
6. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong
7. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the abolition of Capital Punishment.
8. The Hon. J. H. DISNEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide that all State Parliamentary Elections be held on a Saturday.
9. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the office of Alderman and for other purposes.
10. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Motor Car Act 1915*.
11. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Optional Proportional Voting at Municipal Elections.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924).—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).

3. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - High Cost of Living—Reports of the Royal Commission—
 - Report No. 3—House Rents.
 - Report No. 4—General.
 - Mines Department—Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1923.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

- Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915—Statement of Alteration of Classification in the Department of the Legislative Council.
- Hospitals and Charities Act 1922—Certificate relating to the proposed compulsory resumption land of for the St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne.
- Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
 - Attendance and Conduct of Officers, Chapter XIII.
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
 - Department of Chief Secretary (2 papers).
 - Department of Treasurer (2 papers).
 - Professional Division, Chapter II.—
 - Department of Chief Secretary.
 - Department of Mines.
 - Department of Public Instruction (2 papers).
 - Stores and Transport, Chapter XV. (2 papers)
- Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division.

4. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business; and that no fresh business be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, moved, That the Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. HOUSE COMMITTEE.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, moved, That the Honorables W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara be members of the House Committee.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, moved, That the Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke be members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, moved, That the Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams be members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable Sir A. Robinson, moved, That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; five to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.

10. **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—

Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until Tuesday next.

Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3, be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council,

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
 - (a) What is the total length in miles of the fire-breaks in the Bendigo district.
 - (b) Is it a fact that the width of the fire-breaks does not exceed 16 feet ; if so, will the Government take steps to have proper protection made in order to prevent a recurrence of the great loss sustained by bush fires last summer, when about 10,000 acres of grass were destroyed, also buildings and large stacks of firewood in the Ravenswood State forest.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers in connexion with the loan from the Treasurer's Advance of £100,000 to the Melbourne Electric Supply Company.
3. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if the Government, in consequence of the many motor accidents, will take the necessary steps to compel municipal councils and other public bodies to pass by-laws on similar lines to the Sydney tramway by-laws which prohibit motors being driven past stationary trams whilst passengers are alighting.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. H. I. COHEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. VACANCY IN THE SENATE—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be taken into consideration.
2. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).*
3. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Milk Supply Act 1922*.
2. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow Railway Employés and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service.
3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915*.
4. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Parliamentary Elections.
5. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*.

6. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong
7. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the abolition of Capital Punishment.
8. The Hon. J. H. DISNEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide that all State Parliamentary Elections be held on a Saturday.
9. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the office of Alderman and for other purposes.
10. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Motor Car Act* 1915.
11. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Optional Proportional Voting at Municipal Elections.
12. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act* 1915.
13. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for a Metropolitan Council and for the further and better Local Management of the Metropolitan Area.
14. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act* 1915.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.

PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 31st December, 1923.
 - Public Service Act 1915—Copy of Papers in connexion with the promotion of Martin Henry Bottoms from the First Class to Class 1A, Department of Public Instruction.
3. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a copy of a despatch from the President of the Senate notifying that a vacancy had happened in the representation of the State of Victoria in the Senate through the death of Senator Stephen Barker having been read—
 - The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this House meet the Legislative Assembly for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution and requesting them to name the place and time of such meeting.
4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and seventy-five thousand and fifty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 - On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and eighty-two thousand two hundred and sixty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-three and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 - On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave to be read a second time later this day
6. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to meet the Council for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker, and naming the Assembly Chamber as the place and this day at eight o'clock in the evening as the time of meeting.
7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

8. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT LOAN BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Country Roads and for Irrigation Works and Water Supply and for the purposes of Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
9. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The President announced that the time had arrived for this House to meet the Assembly in the Assembly Chamber for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker. Accordingly the Council then proceeded to the Assembly Chamber, and being returned—The President reported that the House had met the Assembly this day in the Assembly Chamber for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker, and that Joseph Francis Hannan, Esquire, had been duly chosen to hold the vacant place.
10. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT LOAN BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until Tuesday, the 2nd September next.
12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 2nd September next. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-eight minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 2nd September next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if, in consequence of the number of people who visit the Buffalo mountains and the number of accidents liable to occur there, the Government will see that a supply of medical necessaries, including chloroform and ether, is kept at the Chalet, in order that proper treatment may be given in cases of accident.
2. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What price does the Melbourne City Council pay the State Electricity Commission for current.
 - (b) Does the Government consider that the 3½d. a unit charged by the Melbourne City Council for heating radiators a fair and reasonable charge.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).
2. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(Hon. H. I. Cohen)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Milk Supply Act 1922*.
2. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow Railway Employés and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service.
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6. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong
7. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the abolition of Capital Punishment.
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10. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Motor Car Act 1915*.
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15. The Hon. H. I. COHEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Crimes and Criminal Offenders.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.

PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephones 1602 and 1603), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer:—

Estimates—Supplementary, 1923–24 (B. No. 2).

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for 1923, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1922–23 (No. 2).

Railways—Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (No. 1).

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).
Victorian Government Loan Bill.
3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and sixty-four thousand two hundred and forty-three pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MELBOURNE AND GEELONG) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to extend and apply to the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong certain provisions of the ‘ Local Government Act 1915 ’ with regard to Streets and Roads* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the State Savings Bank Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have appointed a Committee to join with the Committee of the Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee consisting of Mr. Bailey, Mr. Eggleston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Snowball, and Mr. Wettenhall, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum.
7. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—By leave, on the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill relating to Justices of the Peace was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—
 Kendenup Fruit Packing Company and De Garis Kendenup (Western Australia) Development Company Limited—Affairs and Transactions in Victoria—Report of the Royal Commission.
 Prices of Bread, Flour, and Wheat—Report No. 1 of the Royal Commission.
 Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1923.
 Victorian Coal Miners’ Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1923.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

- Charities Board of Victoria—Report for the year 1923–24.
- Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict. cap. 55 and Act No. 3118 during the year 1923–24.
- Education Act 1915—Regulation—Free Places at the University.
- Factories and Shops Act 1915—Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops for the year 1923.
- Health Act 1919—Report of the Commission of Public Health for the year 1922–23.
- Land Acts—Certificates relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Chiltern State School.
- Licensing Acts—Consolidated Rules.

Public Service Acts—Copy of Papers in connexion with the promotion of—

Henry Alfred Amos, from the Third Class to the Second Class, Department of Law.

Alfred William Comport, from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Law.

James Taylor Miller, from the Third Class to the Second Class, Department of Law.

Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year 1923–24.

Water Acts—Copy of declarations of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the areas that ought to be constituted the Lower Millewa Waterworks District, and the South Shepparton Irrigation and Water Supply District, together with plans showing the areas of such proposed Districts.

Wheat Marketing Acts—Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1924, of the Victorian Wheat Commission.

9. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

10. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

Address-in-Reply to Speech of His Excellency the Governor—Consideration of Report of Committee.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2,

*Local Government (Melbourne and Geelong) Bill—Second reading, and
State Savings Bank Bill—Second reading,*

be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if, in consequence of the number of people who visit the Buffalo mountains and the number of accidents liable to occur there, the Government will see that a supply of medical necessaries, including chloroform and ether, is kept at the Chalet, in order that proper treatment may be given in cases of accident.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what are the names of the municipalities that are rated under one shilling and sixpence in the pound, and the dates on which these municipalities last had the properties in their respective municipalities valued.
3. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will request the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to take steps to clear the River Yarra of obstructions, so that the damage arising from floods may be reduced as far as possible.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MELBOURNE AND GEELONG) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
2. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
3. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
4. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow Railway Employés and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service.
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H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 9th September.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—At a quarter to Four o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.

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PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.

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Railways—Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (No. 1).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.

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

Club Hotel, Hopetoun, Licence Bill—[12].

Jeparit Land Bill—[18].

Children's Welfare Bill—[26].

Australian Wine Licence Bill—[21].

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4).
 3. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government—
Prices of Bread, Flour, and Wheat—Report No. 2 of the Royal Commission.
“Some Lessons from Rural Denmark”—Paper by Frank Tate, Director of Education; being results of Observations made during an Official Visit to Europe in 1923.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Geelong Harbor Trust—Accounts and Balance-sheet for the year 1923,
 4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MELBOURNE AND GEELONG) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
 5. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
 6. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 23rd instant.
 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4 be postponed until Tuesday, the 23rd instant.
 8. STANDING ORDERS REVISION.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to consider and report as to the advisability of any alterations or additions.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 23rd instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at forty-one minutes past eight o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 23rd instant.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1924.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (*Hon. H. F. Richardson*).
2. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to allow Railway Employés and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service.
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H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,

President

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

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Railways—Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (No. 1).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GOVERNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Local Government (Melbourne and Geelong) Bill.
State Savings Bank Bill.
3. AUSTRALIAN WINE LICENCE (BAILLIESTON) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Renewal of a certain Australian Wine Licence in pursuance of a Certificate granted by the Licensing Court for the Licensing District of Waranga* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. CLUB HOTEL, HOPPTOWN, LICENCE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Renewal of a certain Victualler’s Licence in pursuance of a Certificate granted by the Licensing Court for the Licensing District of Swan Hill* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. CHILDREN’S WELFARE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Department heretofore known as the Department for Neglected Children* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. JEPARIT LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Township and Parish of Jeparit and for the Issue of a Crown Grant in respect thereof to the Trustees of the Jeparit Agricultural and Pastoral Society* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave to be read a second time later this day.
7. MILK SUPPLY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Milk Supply Act 1922 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
8. RICHMOND LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make further provision as to certain Lands vested in the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of Richmond pursuant to Grants from the Crown and to repeal the ‘ Richmond Land Act 1912 ’ and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
9. YARRAM YARRAM MECHANICS’ INSTITUTE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Yarram Yarram Mechanics’ Institute and Free Library* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
10. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Prices of Bread, Flour, and Wheat—Report No. 3 of the Royal Commission.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

- Closer Settlement Act 1918—Report under section 12, sub-section (5), of the decision of the Minister to acquire the following estate :—
Bochara Estate, near Hamilton.
- Education—Report of the Council of Public Education for the year 1923–24.
- Fire Brigades Act 1915—Regulation.
- Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to issue Proclamations—
Re Boats and Nets on the Werribee River and Waters closed to Netting at its Mouth.
To fix Fees and make Regulations *re* Oystering in Corio Bay.
- Hospitals and Charities Act 1922—Certificate relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the Queen Victoria Hospital for Women and Children, Melbourne.
- Licensing Acts—Amendment of Rules.
- Marine Board of Victoria—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1923.
- Poisons Act 1915—Proclamation amending Second Schedule—Articles deemed to be Poisons.
- Public Service Acts—
Copy of Papers in connexion with the promotion of—
Alfred Ernest Gavin, from the Third Class to Second Class, Department of Treasurer.
William Phillip Heathershaw, from the First Class to Class 1A, Department of Chief Secretary.
William Arthur Robinson, from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
- Regulations—
Appointment to the General Division, Chapter V.
Appointment, Promotion, &c., of certain Officers of the General Division, Chapter XI. (2 papers).
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
Department of Chief Secretary (2 papers).
Department of Labour.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Lands and Survey.
Department of Mines.
Department of Public Instruction.
Departments of Chief Secretary, Public Instruction, Law, and Public Works.
Departments of Law and Agriculture.
Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.
Stores and Transport, Chapter XV.
- Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act 1915—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter III. (2 papers).
Classification of Professional Division, Chapter I. (2 papers).
- Water Acts—Copy of declarations of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the areas that ought to be constituted the Loch Garry Flood Protection District, and the Kanyapella Flood Protection District, together with plans showing the areas of such proposed Districts.

11. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—

Debate resumed

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
J. Sternberg,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
Sir A. Robinson,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. H. Payne,
M. Saltau.

And so it passed in the negative.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. **AUSTRALIAN WINE LICENCE (BAILLIESTON) BILL.**—The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
14. **CLUB HOTEL, HOPETOUN, LICENCE BILL.**—The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. **CHILDREN'S WELFARE BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
16. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (INSCRIBED STOCK) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Inscribed Stock and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
17. **JEPARIT LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
18. **MILK SUPPLY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
19. **RICHMOND LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

20. YARRAM YARRAM MECHANICS' INSTITUTE BILL.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

21. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams, a Bill to allow Railway Employés and all Civil Servants to contest any Parliamentary Election without having to resign from the Service was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

22. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable E. L. Kiernan, a Bill to provide for the Abolition of Capital Punishment was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

23. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable E. L. Kiernan, a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the Office of Alderman and for other purposes was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

24. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

Question.

1. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what is the estimated cost of the proposed new railway stations, viz. Poath-road, on the Oakleigh line; Dublin-road, at East Ringwood, on the Lilydale line; and Heathmont, on the Fern Tree Gully line; also the amount required by the Railways Commissioners from the residents in each case before the work will be sanctioned.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Censoring of Cinematograph Films and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MILK SUPPLY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
2. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Parliamentary Elections.
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4. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 30th September.

HOUSE (JOINT)—At half past Three o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.
- ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.
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- Prices of Bread, Wheat, and Flour Commission—Reports—
 - Report No. 1 (No. 14).
 - Report No. 2 (No. 15).
 - Report No. 3 (No. 16).
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways (Inscribed Stock) Bill—[71].

Audit Bill—[61]

Cattle Compensation Bill—[59].

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. NORTH CARLTON LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to revoke the Temporary Reservation of certain Lands situate at North Carlton for Public Educational Purposes to close a certain Right-of-way and portion of certain Streets and to provide for the Grant to the Commonwealth of Australia for Defence Purposes of certain Lands in pursuance of an Arrangement with the Commonwealth for the Exchange of certain Lands to amend the ‘ North Carlton Lands Act 1920 ’ and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and ninety-five thousand four hundred and forty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. AUDIT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Payment of the Public Moneys* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1915—Regulation.
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1923–24.
6. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.—The Honorable E. J. White moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the Kanagulk to Edenhope railway, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
7. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, a Bill to provide for the Censoring of Cinematograph Films and for other purposes was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 14th October next.
8. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. AUDIT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1, 2, and
North Carlton Lands Bill—Second reading,
and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 14th October next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 14th October next.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at seventeen minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 14th October next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1924.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. NORTH CARLTON LANDS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
2. MILK SUPPLY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson)*.
3. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.
4. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Parliamentary Elections.
2. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for Optional Proportional Voting at Municipal Elections.
3. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
4. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 14th October.

STANDING ORDERS—At half past Two o'clock.

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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.
- ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
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- PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

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- High Cost of Living Commission—Reports—
 Report No. 2—Milk (No. 3).
 Report No. 3—House Rents (No. 5).
 Report No. 4—General (No. 6).
- Prices of Bread, Wheat, and Flour Commission—Reports—
 Report No. 1 (No. 14).
 Report No. 2 (No. 15).
 Report No. 3 (No. 16).
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for 1923, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1922-23 (No. 2).
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 1ST OCTOBER, 1924.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Bill—[58]. Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Webber (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Australian Wine Licence (Baillieston) Bill.*
 - Club Hotel, Hopetoun, Licence Bill.*
 - Children's Welfare Bill.*
 - Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways (Inscribed Stock) Bill.*
 - Jeparit Land Bill.*
 - Richmond Land Bill.*
 - Yarram Yarram Mechanics' Institute Bill.*
 - Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 5).*
 - Audit Bill.*
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Land Act 1915—
 - Alteration to Regulations.
 - Particulars of Lease of swamp or reclaimed land under section 110.
 - Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts, for the year 1923–24.
 - Public Service Acts—Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of L. B. Mercer, from the Fifth Class to the Fourth Class, Department of Lands and Survey.
 - River Murray Waters Act 1915—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year 1923–24.
4. NORTH CARLTON LANDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 - House in Committee.
 - The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 - Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. MILK SUPPLY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read—
 - Debate resumed.
 - Question—put.
 - The Council divided.

Ayes, 19.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
 A. Bell,
 F. W. Brawn,
 A. E. Chandler,
 H. I. Cohen,
 W. P. Crockett,
 W. H. Edgar,
 G. L. Goudie,
 J. P. Jones,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 M. McGregor,
 D. L. McNamara,
 J. K. Merritt,
 H. F. Richardson,
 M. Saltau,
 W. Tyner,
 R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
 A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 W. Angliss,
 T. Beggs,
 W. L. R. Clarke,
 G. M. Davis,
 Sir A. Robinson,
 H. H. Smith,
 J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
 T. H. Payne.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

6. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
7. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
8. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable R. Williams a Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Parliamentary Elections was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, for the Honorable E. L. Kiernan, a Bill to provide for Optional Proportional Voting at Municipal Elections was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable H. H. Smith, a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, for the Honorable H. H. Smith, a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1924.

Question.

1. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if any action has been taken to put into operation section twenty-three of the *Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1922*; if so, with what result.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. J. P. Jones*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (*Hon. H. F. Richardson*).

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉS AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(*Hon. H. H. Smith*)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. H. H. Smith*)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.]

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

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 - Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (No. 1).
- Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1923 (No. 12).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH OCTOBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8.
 Censorship of Films Bill—[66].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 22.
 Cattle Compensation Bill—[59]. Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Pollard. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
North Carlton Lands Bill.
Milk Supply Bill.
3. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to confer certain Powers on the Government of Victoria in regard to the Marketing of the Wheat Harvest of the Season 1924–1925 and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to Industrial and Provident Societies*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. GAME BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Game Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Audit Acts—General Regulations respecting Public Accounts.
Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar for the year 1923.
State Accident Insurance Office—Report Profit and Loss Account and Balance-sheet for the year 1923–24.
7. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
F. W. Brawn,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. Sternberg,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
R. Williams.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
W. H. Edgar,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson,
Sir A. Robinson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

And the Council having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock--

WEDNESDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1924.

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, and
Industrial and Provident Societies Bill—Second reading,
Game Bill—Second reading,
 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
- 9 ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1924.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Government intends to introduce a Voluntary Wheat Pool Bill for this year and take advantage of the guarantee offered by the Federal Government.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
2. GAME BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading.
3. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson).

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

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Estimates—Supplementary, 1923-24 (B. No. 2).

Factories and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1923 (No. 8).

Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1923 (No. 4).

High Cost of Living Commission—Reports—

Report No. 2—Milk (No. 3).

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Prices of Bread, Wheat, and Flour Commission—Reports—

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Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1923 (No. 9).

Railways—

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year 1923-24 (No. 10).

Reports of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—

Border Railways to Oaklands, New South Wales (Wahgunyah-Corowa and Yarrowonga Extensions)—Second Progress Report (C. No. 1).

Electrification of Fern Tree Gully and Lilydale Railways (C. No. 2).

Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (No. 1).

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1923 (No. 12).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND OCTOBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 9.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 25.

Motor Omnibus Bill—[62].

Opticians Registration Bill—[47].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Have plans been prepared for the new University High School.
 - (b) What is the estimated cost of the structure.
 - (c) When is it expected that the work will be commenced.
2. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What varieties of pine trees are being planted at Port Campbell, Creswick, and elsewhere.
 - (b) What is the reply of the Forests Commission to the criticism of the Hon. A. M. Zwar that pinus insignis at the Kew Asylum and at Ararat, although forty years old, were unsaleable for any commercial purpose.
 - (c) Does the Commission propose to continue planting pinus insignis if they are of no commercial value.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
3. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
4. GAME BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—To be further considered in Committee.
5. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson).

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.
- ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.
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- Health—Report of the Commission of Public Health for the year 1922-23 (No. 11).
- High Cost of Living Commission—Reports—
- Report No. 2—Milk (No. 3).
 - Report No. 3—House Rents (No. 5).
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 - Thirty-fourth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways (No. 1).
 - Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1923 (No. 12).

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH OCTOBER, 1924.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.
- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28.
- Children's Maintenance Bill—[64].
- Industrial and Provident Societies Bill—[37]. Amendments made by Legislative Council. (To Members only.)
- Medical (Dentists) Bill—[89].

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. REAL PROPERTY (ACCESS OF AIR) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.
3. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Undertakings of the Melbourne Electric Supply Company Limited and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide Compensation for the Owners of certain Cattle and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1915—Regulation rescinded, Regulation substituted.
State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Nineteenth Annual Report, 1923–24.
7. INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
8. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
9. GAME BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 3, and

Cattle Compensation Bill—Second reading,

and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Explosives Act 1915—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the working of the Act during the year 1923.
 - Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to issue a Proclamation to prohibit all fishing in portion of Cardinia Creek, near Berwick.
 - Public Service Act 1915—
 - Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of G. S. McLean from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
 - Regulations—
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
 - Department of Chief Secretary.
 - Department of Lands and Survey.
 - Professional Division, Chapter II.—
 - Department of Lands and Survey.
 - Department of Law.
 - Department of Public Instruction.
 - University of Melbourne—Annual Report 1923–24 ; with Statutes and Regulations and Amendments allowed by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1, 4, 6, and 7, be postponed until Tuesday, the 11th November next, and that Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 5, be postponed until later this day.
4. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable D. L. McNamara moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable A. E. Chandler and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th November next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, be postponed until after No. 4.
6. GAME BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 6).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and seventy-four thousand two hundred and eleven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, and ordered to be printed, and, by leave, and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos 2, 3, and 5, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 5, be postponed until Tuesday, the 11th November next.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 11th November next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at seven minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th November next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1924.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Tramways Board has considered the advisability of discontinuing the printing of liquor advertisements on the back of tram tickets which circulate so largely amongst school children.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
2. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. A. E. Chandler).
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
4. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. F. Richardson).

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
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- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tynner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

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- Ballaarat East Election—Report from Committee of Elections and Qualifications upon the application of the Hon. R. M. McGregor for a recount of the Votes at Election held on 26th June, 1924 (D. No. 1).
- Charities Board—Report for the year 1923-24 (No. 7).
- Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., Cap. 55, and Act No. 3118 during the year 1923-24 (No. 13).
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH OCTOBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 29.

Local Government Bill—[76].

Game Bill—[38]. Amendments by Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Real Property (Access of Air) Bill.
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 6).
3. INDUSTRIAL AND PROVIDENT SOCIETIES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Council.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable J. P. Jones presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Industrial and Provident Societies Bill.
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Horse Breeding Act 1919 ’ and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
6. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of the Wheat Harvest of the Season 1924–1925, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable J. P. Jones, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, to be read a second time later this day.
7. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 30th June, 1924.
Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarters ended 30th June, 30th September, and 31st December, 1923, and 31st March and 30th June, 1924.
Closer Settlement Acts—Copy of the Notification published in the *Government Gazette* of the acquisition by compulsory process for the purposes of closer settlement of the Banemore Estate, near Peshurst.
Forests Commission of Victoria—Fifth Annual Report, 1923–24.
Health Act 1919—Septic Tank Regulations.
Land Act 1915—Report for the year 1923–24.
Public Service Act 1915—
Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of J. Richards from the Third Class to the Second Class (Department of Treasurer).
Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Public Instruction.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Lands and Survey.
General.

8. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1924.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the Tramways Board has considered the advisability of discontinuing the printing of liquor advertisements on the back of tram tickets which circulate so largely amongst school children.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
2. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. A. E. Chandler).
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
4. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
5. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
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7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
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- PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

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- State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Nineteenth Annual Report, 1923-24 (No. 22).
- Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1923 (No. 12).

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited (Government Guarantee) Bill.

3. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Inebriate Institutions—Report of the Inspector for the year 1923.
Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1923.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

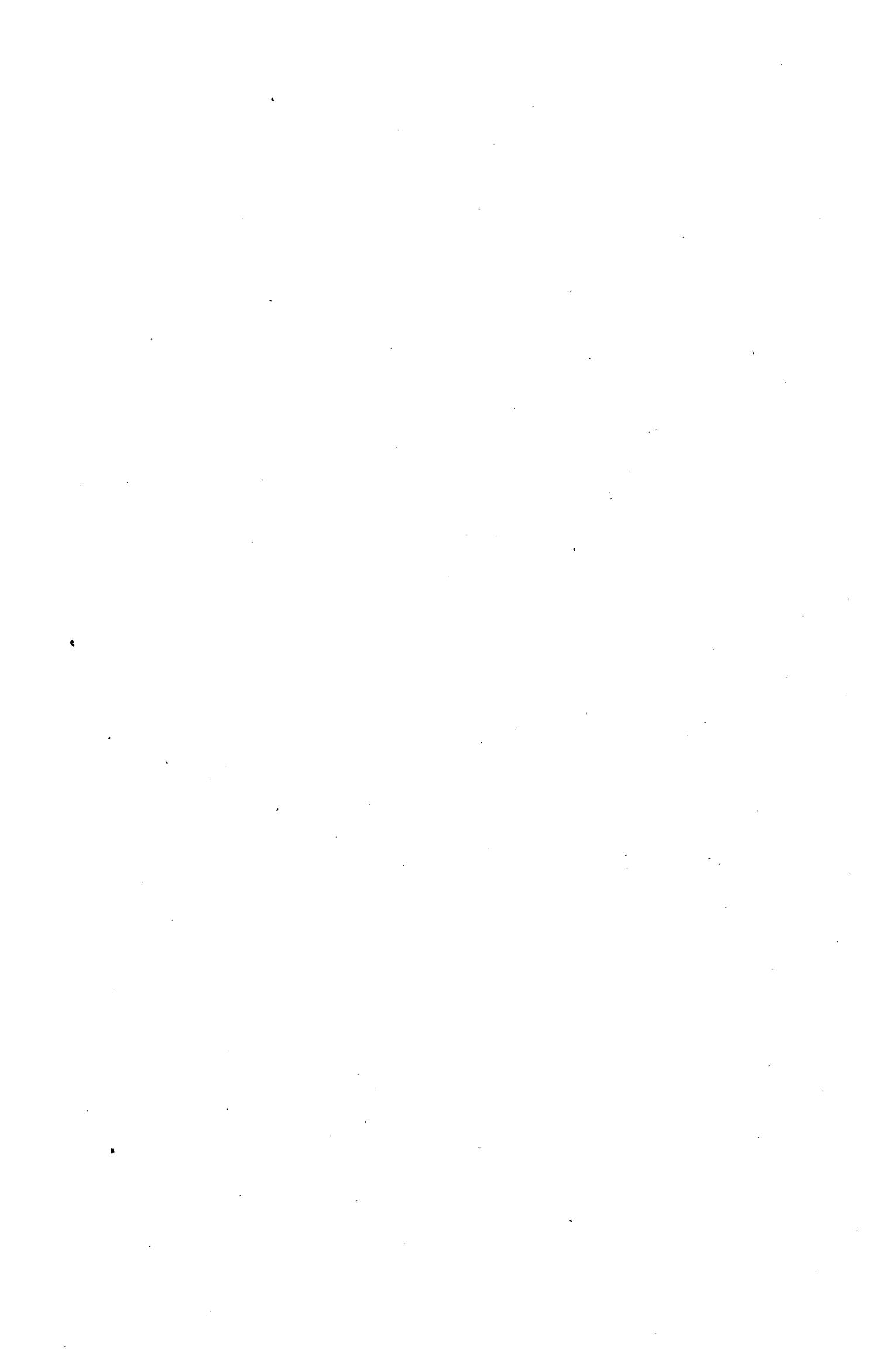
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

- Fire Brigades Act 1915—Amendment of Regulations.
- Medical Acts—Pharmacy Board of Victoria—Further Regulations.
- Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1923.
- Police Pensions Act 1923—Regulations.
- Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Treasurer.
- Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Lands and Survey.
Department of Public Works.
- Trade Unions—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1923, with an Appendix.

4. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett and after debate, further adjourned until Tuesday, the 2nd December next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 2nd December next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 2nd December next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-eight minutes past five o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 2nd December next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1924.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Has the Federal Government relieved the Victorian Government of all responsibility for the maintenance of lights.
 - (b) Does the Victorian Government still charge light dues on shipping.
 - (c) What were the Melbourne port dues, including pilotage, on an 11,000-ton cargo steamship making a five days stay in 1913, and what are the charges to-day on a similar vessel staying the same time.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. A. E. Chandler).
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. P. Jones)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. F. Richardson).
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. E. J. WHITE: To move, That the differential mileage rates on wheat freightage now operating against Portland be abolished so as to enable that port to get its fair share of overseas shipping.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
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2. The Hon. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Did the Wheat Corporation have any wheat unsold when it made the final payment to growers; if so, how much.
 - (b) How many bags of wheat stacked at country railway stations or elsewhere had not been weighed out to the purchaser when final payments were made.
 - (c) Who received the benefit or suffered the loss of any weight gained or lost by such wheat.
3. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests, in view of the number of robberies under arms, what action the Government propose to take to tighten up the administration of the law relating to the possession of firearms.
4. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many acres of land have been purchased by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission in the Berwick Shire.
 - (b) What was the price paid per acre.
 - (c) What is the estimated cost of the proposed new roads.
 - (d) What is the length of drainage channels to be constructed and the estimated cost of same.
 - (e) In what areas and at what price is the land to be offered to the public.
5. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Are the Railways Commissioners proceeding with the work of regrading the line between Clifton Hill and North Fitzroy with a view of doing away with the level crossing at Queen's-parade.
 - (b) When is it anticipated the work will be completed.
6. The Hon. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests, what is the annual cost of administering the Horse Breeding Act, and the number of persons employed in connexion therewith.
7. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests, if the Government in the proposed amending forest legislation will restore to the municipalities the control over their roads and the trees growing thereon, of which legislation has deprived them.
8. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is there any immediate prospect of return tickets being restored to country travellers at country railway stations.
 - (b) For what reason have Melbourne suburban travellers the tremendous convenience of return tickets, while country travellers are denied this convenience

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. H. H. Smith*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (*Hon. A. Bell*).

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 9th December.

STANDING ORDERS—At half past Three o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD DECEMBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.

Thirty-eighth Annual Report on Trade Unions. No. 29.

Forests Commission of Victoria.—Fifth Annual Report. No. 25.

Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons.—Report and Statistical Tables for 1923. No. 26.

Report from Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on Proposed Expenditure under Railway Loan Application Act, No. 3299. C. No. 3.

Surplus Revenue Bill—[93].

Discharged Soldiers Settlement Bill—[95].

Motor Omnibus Bill—[62]. Amendments proposed by Mr. Eggleston. (To Members only.)

Railway Loan Application Bill—[91].

Water Supply Loans Application Bill—[90].

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Coal Mines—Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines, including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1923-24.
 - Education Act 1915—Regulation added.
 - Exhibition Trustees—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1923-24.
 - Friendly Societies—Forty-sixth Annual Report on—Progress Report of the Government Statist relating to the period of eighteen months ended 30th June, 1924, with Appendices.
 - Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust—Seventeenth Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1924.
 - Health Act 1919—Commission of Public Health—Building Regulations.
 - Public Service Act 1915—Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of L. L. Chapman from the Fourth Class to the Third Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
 - Public Works Loan Application Act 1911—Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts of the Victoria Dock Cool Stores for the year 1923-24, together with a Report by the Manager.
 - State Electricity Commission of Victoria—Report for the year 1923-24, together with Appendices.
 - State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year 1923-24.
3. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business on Wednesday in each week be rescinded, and that for the remainder of the Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—The Honorable Sir Arthur Robinson, having stated that he desired to make a personal explanation regarding certain statements made during the present Session in the Legislative Assembly with reference to recommendations by him, as Attorney-General, for the release of prisoners, moved, by leave, That Standing Orders Nos. 127 and 131 be suspended during such personal explanation.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable H. H. Smith, further adjourned until later this day.
6. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Honorable Alfred Elliott Chandler be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways in place of the Honorable Horace Frank Richardson.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

8. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable A. Bell, further adjourned until Tuesday next.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Water Supply Loans Application Bill.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
Addition to Clause 5.
Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Lands and Survey.
Department of Public Works.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Chief Secretary.
Department of Public Instruction (3 papers).
Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.
4. CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, be postponed until later this day.

7. PORTLAND HARBOUR—DIFFERENTIAL RAILWAY RATES.—The Honorable E. J. White moved, That the differential mileage rates on wheat freightage now operating against Portland be abolished so as to enable that port to get its fair share of overseas shipping.
 Motion, by leave, amended by inserting the words “ in the opinion of this House ” after the word “ That ” and by inserting the word “ should ” after the word “ Portland ”.
 Debate continued.
 Question—That, in the opinion of this House, the differential mileage rates on wheat freightage now operating against Portland should be abolished so as to enable that port to get its fair share of overseas shipping—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, having been read, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen and after debate, further adjourned until Tuesday next.
9. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 7).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and seventy-six thousand five hundred and thirteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) Has the Federal Government relieved the Victorian Government of all responsibility for the maintenance of lights.
 - (b) Does the Victorian Government still charge light dues on shipping.
 - (c) What were the Melbourne port dues, including pilotage, on an 11,000-ton cargo steamship making a five days' stay in 1913, and what are the charges to-day on a similar vessel staying the same time.
2. The Hon. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Did the Wheat Corporation have any wheat unsold when it made the final payment to growers; if so, how much.
 - (b) How many bags of wheat stacked at country railway stations or elsewhere had not been weighed out to the purchaser when final payments were made.
 - (c) Who received the benefit or suffered the loss of any weight gained or lost by such wheat.
3. The Hon. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests, what is the annual cost of administering the Horse Breeding Act, and the number of persons employed in connexion therewith.
4. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is there any immediate prospect of return tickets being restored to country travellers at country railway stations.
 - (b) For what reason have Melbourne suburban travellers the tremendous convenience of return tickets, while country travellers are denied this convenience.
5. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers and particulars pertaining to the agreement with the Melbourne Electric Supply Company.
6. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How much money has been expended on the Hume reservoir up to the 1st October, 1924, by Victoria, by the other States, and by the Commonwealth respectively.
 - (b) Have the foundations been laid yet; if so, to what height have they been built.
 - (c) What is the breadth of the foundations and of what are they built.
7. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many men and horses were employed on the open cut at Yallourn during the month of November.
 - (b) What was the amount paid in wages and hire for that service during that period.
 - (c) How many tons of Yallourn brown coal were supplied to and consumed at the main power house for the same period.
 - (d) How many tons of Morwell brown coal were supplied to and consumed at the main power house for the same period.
 - (e) How many units of the power production plant at the main power house were in use during the same period.
 - (f) What is the amount of electric energy produced and transmitted to Melbourne during the same period, also the amount transmitted elsewhere or used at Yallourn during the same period.
 - (g) Was the temporary power plant in operation during the same period; if so, what was the amount of energy produced and where was it supplied or used.
 - (h) Is Morwell or Yallourn brown coal being used to produce steam at the temporary power plant; if so, what quantities were used during the same period.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 7)—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
2. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
3. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading.
4. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. A. Bell).

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 9th December.

STANDING ORDERS—At half past Three o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.
- ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15.
 Censorship of Films Bill—[66]. Amendments and New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. H. F. Richardson. (To Members of Council only.)
 Consolidated Revenue Bill—[102].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37.
 Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Bill—[58]. Amendment made by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 16

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers and particulars pertaining to the agreement with the Melbourne Electric Supply Company.
2. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How much money has been expended on the Hume reservoir up to the 1st October, 1924, by Victoria, by the other States, and by the Commonwealth respectively.
 - (b) Have the foundations been laid yet; if so, to what height have they been built.
 - (c) What is the breadth of the foundations and of what are they built.
3. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many men and horses were employed on the open cut at Yallourn during the month of November.
 - (b) What was the amount paid in wages and hire for that service during that period.
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 - (e) How many units of the power production plant at the main power house were in use during the same period.
 - (f) What is the amount of electric energy produced and transmitted to Melbourne during the same period, also the amount transmitted elsewhere or used at Yallourn during the same period.
 - (g) Was the temporary power plant in operation during the same period; if so, what was the amount of energy produced and where was it supplied or used.
 - (h) Is Morwell or Yallourn brown coal being used to produce steam at the temporary power plant; if so, what quantities were used during the same period.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 7)—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
2. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. A. Bell)*.
4. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
5. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
6. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen)*.
7. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
8. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. P. Crockett*)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan*)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(*Hon. H. H. Smith*)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. H. H. Smith*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

1. STANDING ORDERS REVISION—REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—To be taken into consideration.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.

ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables A. Bell and H. F. Richardson.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.

PRINTING—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. STANDING ORDERS REVISION.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar, on behalf of the Honorable the President, Chairman, brought up the Report of the Standing Orders Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and to be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Cattle Compensation Bill.
4. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Additional Moneys for the purposes of the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
5. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make further provision with respect to Motor Omnibuses and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
6. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
7. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Children's Maintenance Act 1919 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable W. P. Crockett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable W. L. R. Clarke moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the replies given by the Honorable the Minister of Forests to the Mover's questions on this day's Notice Paper *re* issue of return tickets at country railway stations ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed—

Debate ensued.

Question—That the Council do now adjourn—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
T. H. Payne,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
Dr. J. R. Harris.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
W. Tyner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1915—Regulation rescinded, Regulation substituted.
Health Act 1919—Regulations amending the Food and Drug Standards Regulations.
4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 7).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council.
6. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to Municipal Endowment*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To move, That the hour of meeting of the Council on Wednesday and Thursday of this week be eleven o'clock ; and that the Council meet for the despatch of business on Friday next at eleven o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STANDING ORDERS REVISION—REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—To be taken into consideration.
2. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. A. Bell).
4. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading.
5. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
6. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
7. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
8. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. P. Crockett)—Second reading.
9. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
10. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
4. COMPULSORY VOTING BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (PROPORTIONAL VOTING) BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ENROLMENT OF OWNERS) BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 16th December.

HOUSE (JOINT)—At half past Three o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1924.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, E. L. Kiernan, T. H. Payne, and H. F. Richardson.
- ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**—(Appointed 8th July, 1924)—The Honorables E. G. Bath, M. Saltau, A. A. Austin, W. L. R. Clarke, J. H. Disney, H. H. Smith, and A. M. Zwar.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—The Honorables A. Bell (appointed 8th July, 1924) and A. E. Chandler (appointed 2nd December, 1924.)
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, Sir A. Robinson, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
- HOUSE (JOINT)**—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, Dr. J. R. Harris, and D. L. McNamara.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, A. A. Austin, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, and W. L. R. Clarke.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, M. McGregor, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 15th July, 1924)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. P. Crockett, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, H. F. Richardson, and Sir A. Robinson.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH DECEMBER, 1924.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.
 Municipal Endowment Bill—[97]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Surplus Revenue Bill—[93]. (To Members of Council only.)
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- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 40.
 Wire Netting Bill—[33].
 Forests Bill—[69]. New Clause to be proposed by Mr. West. (To Members only.)
 State Electricity Commission of Victoria.—Fifth Annual Report for the year ended 30th June, 1924.
 No. 30.
 Forty-sixth Annual Report on Friendly Societies. No. 32.
 Department of Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report for 1923. No. 28.
 Report of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on proposed Jung to Wallup Railway.—Report
 No. 2.

MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER PAST TWO O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

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 - (b) What amount was paid for the land, and what are the names of the agents through whom the land was purchased.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests what total expenditure (loan and otherwise) will be required by the State Electricity Commission during the next twelve months and during the next two years.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no fresh business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
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4. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
5. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
6. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen).
7. WIRE NETTING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
8. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. W. P. Crockett)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYÉES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
2. CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
3. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan)—Second reading.
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7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 17th December.

HOUSE (JOINT)—At Seven o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 43.

Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill—[103].

Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage (Borrowing Powers) Bill—[105].

Forests Bill (No 2)—[99]. Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Old. (To Members only.)

Walpeup West Lands Bill—[77].

Dried Fruits Bill—[94].

Country Roads Loan Application Bill—[106].

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 19.

THURSDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1924.

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1. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
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- *3. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Honorable the Premier has given instructions, as per statement made by him at a public function on the 25th ultimo, that he would give instructions that the Spencer-street bridge must be built.
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 - (a) What is the total number of permits granted for the holding of horse racing in this State.
 - (b) What number were granted by the late Government.
 - (c) What number of permits were granted for horse, pony, and trotting race meetings in the metropolitan area.
 - (d) What number of extra permits were granted for pony and trotting meetings in the metropolitan area by the late Government.
 - (e) To whom and for what purpose have extra permits been granted.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WIRE NETTING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
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General Business.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 44.

Footscray Land Bill—[108].

Echuca Land Bill—[96].

Horse Breeding Bill—[53]. Amendments by the Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER PAST ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 20.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Questions.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS—*The question is, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no fresh business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.—Resumption of debate (Hon. G. L. Goudie).*
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
- *3. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (RAILWAY EMPLOYEES AND CIVIL SERVANTS) BILL—(Hon. R. Williams)—Second reading.
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented Messages from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 7).
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Bill.
3. WIRE NETTING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Supplying of Wire Netting and to amend Section Twenty of the ‘Fences Act 1915’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Indeterminate Sentences Board—Report for the year 1923–24.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Lifts Regulation Act 1915—Regulations.
Public Service Act 1915—Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of C. G. Green from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ended 30th September, 1924.
5. STANDING ORDERS REVISION.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Standing Orders Committee, to which Committee had been referred the Standing Orders of the Council for consideration and report as to the advisability of any alterations or additions, having been read—
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Revised Standing Orders as presented with the Report of the Standing Orders Committee be adopted as the Standing Orders of the Council.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That such Standing Orders be laid before His Excellency the Governor and his approval requested thereto.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the hour of meeting of the Council on Wednesday and Thursday of this week be eleven o'clock ; and that the Council meet for the despatch of business on Friday next at eleven o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

8. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time. The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That the Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole. The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “ Bill ” be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the words “ be referred to a Select Committee to consider and report—

(a) as to whether the terms of the agreement with the Melbourne Electric Supply Company Limited are fair and reasonable to the State ; and

(b) as to whether it is just that the conditions of purchase as contained in sections 43 and 44 of the *Electric Light and Power Act* 1915 should be varied.”

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole—put and resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

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

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1924.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 10 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until this day at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-six minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at two o'clock in the afternoon.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1924.

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

2. STANDING ORDERS REVISION.—The President announced the receipt of the following communication from the Clerk :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

17th December, 1924.

I have to report that, pursuant to the resolution of the Council, the Revised Standing Orders adopted yesterday by the Council were this day laid before His Excellency the Governor for his approval, and His Excellency was pleased to approve of the same.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

3. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees :—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order of the Legislative Council numbered 160 I do hereby nominate—

The Honorable William Charles Angliss,
The Honorable William James Beckett,
The Honorable Dr. John Richards Harris, and
The Honorable Thomas Henry Payne,

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

Given under my hand this seventeenth day of December, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

4. **VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Public Works and other purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, for the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. **COUNTRY ROADS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for the Construction of Main Roads and Developmental Roads under the Country Roads Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, for the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. **GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
7. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, a Bill to amend the provisions of the Local Government Acts relating to by-laws for or with respect to Residential Areas and the Erection and Construction of Buildings was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
8. **ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no fresh business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
9. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. **HORSE BREEDING BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
The Honorable M. McGregor moved, by leave, That the Report be now adopted.
The Honorable E. G. Bath moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “ That ” be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the words “ the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 2.
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and negatived.
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Question—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 2—put and resolved in the affirmative.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
11. **DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
12. **SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

13. GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

14. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

15. COUNTRY ROADS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 8 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 20.

THURSDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That for the remainder of the Session the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways have leave to sit during the sittings of the Council.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. WIRE NETTING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-President, pursuant to Standing Order No. 35.
Debate continued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was, after debate, read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
4. CHILDREN'S MAINTENANCE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until after No. 5.
6. **CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
7. **MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.

And the Council having continued to sit till after Twelve of the Clock—

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The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, by leave, That the Report be now adopted.
The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, as an amendment, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 12.
Question—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 12—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
E. I. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
H. F. Richardson,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the Report be now adopted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

8. **INCOME TAX BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and to amend and continue the Income Tax Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time this day.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 6 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-six minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at eleven o'clock in the morning.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 21.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1924.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT.—The Clerk having announced that the Honorable the President was absent in consequence of illness, the Honorable W. H. Edgar, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, was chosen to fill temporarily the office and perform all the duties of the President during such absence.
3. The Acting-President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the construction of the Spencer-street bridge and all matters relating thereto and the action or proposed action of the Government thereon, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.

5. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Closer Settlement Act 1915 and Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts—Report of the Closer Settlement Board for the year 1923-24.

6. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no fresh business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded, having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

8. INCOME TAX BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.

The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolutions:—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, sub-clause (1), omit paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d), and insert the following :—

(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Threepence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fourpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Fivepence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Sixpence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Sevenpence;

(b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixpence; and

(ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Eightpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Tenpence;

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Twelvepence; and

for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence;

And there shall be payable an additional tax as follows :—

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds—

An amount equal to ten per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds—

An amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds—

An amount equal to fifteen per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds—

An amount equal to twenty per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—

An amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

(c) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Fourteenpence.

(d) On the income of a mutual life assurance company—

(i) With respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the income, Twelvepence.

(ii) With respect to its other business for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Fourteenpence.

Clause 2, sub-clause (1), lines 32–37, omit all the words “ Provided further that the amount ”
down to and including the following words “ Six pounds five shillings per centum ”.

Clause 3, omit this clause.

Clause 5, omit this clause.

The Schedules, omit all the Schedules—

and asked leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Report was adopted.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

Resolved—That the Council will, later this day, again resolve itself into a Committee of the whole.

9. **DRIED FRUITS BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Dried Fruits and Dried Fruits Packing Sheds and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, for the Honorable W. P. Crockett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

10. **HIGHWAYS AND VEHICLES BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make further provision with respect to Highways and Country Roads Motor Cars and Traction Engines and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.

The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, by leave, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

SATURDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1924.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

11. **DRIED FRUITS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
12. **MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Council.
13. **MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill, and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in clauses 3, 10, 12, 13, and 16 of such Bill, and further acquainting the Council that they are unable to entertain the amendment made by the Council in the Schedule, as its effect would be to increase a proposed charge or burden on the people.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.
And the said amendment was read, and is as follows :—
9. In the Schedule, in the sixth line of paragraph 1, omit “ Four ” and insert “ Five ”.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment in the Schedule.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, amended by adding the words “ but inform the Assembly that the Council consider this Bill comes within the scope of sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act, and is therefore a Bill which the Council has a right to amend.”
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council do not insist on their amendment in the Schedule to the Bill, but inform the Assembly that the Council consider this Bill comes within the scope of sub-section (1) of section 33 of The Constitution Act, and is therefore a Bill which the Council has a right to amend.
14. **ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. **MILDURA ELECTRICITY LOAN BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Council of the Town of Mildura for the purposes of Works and undertakings for the Supply of Electricity* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable W. P. Crockett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
16. **LAND TAX BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and to amend the Land Tax Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

17. **STAMPS BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Stamps and Stamp Duties*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That this Bill be now read a second time.
The Honorable T. Begg moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “this day six months” added after the word “time.”
Debate ensued.
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Debate on the main question continued.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and negatived.
18. **STATE SAVINGS BANK (INSURANCE) BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Nineteen of the ‘Housing and Reclamation Act 1920’ and Section Twenty of the ‘State Savings Bank Act 1920 (No. 2)’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
19. **FOOTSCRAY LAND BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Closing of portions of certain Streets in the City of Footscray and for the Reservation from Sale of the said portions as a Site for Educational purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
20. **VICTORIAN LOAN (STATE FORESTS) BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for State Forests and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
21. **CATTLE COMPENSATION BILL (No. 2).**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Six of the Cattle Compensation Act 1924*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
22. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill, and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.
23. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

24. INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2).—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and to amend and continue the Income Tax Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The Acting-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

25. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Wednesday, the 14th January next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty-eight minutes past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, adjourned until Wednesday, the 14th January next.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

QUESTIONS ASKED BY HONORABLE MEMBERS, AND REPLIES THERETO.

Subject-matter, and Name of Member.	No. of Notice-Paper.	Pages in Hansard.
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CLOSER Settlement—Land purchased by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—		
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ELECTRICITY—Rate charged by Melbourne City Council for heating radiators (<i>Hon. J. K. Merritt</i>) <i>And see</i> "Melbourne Electric Supply Company" and "State Electricity Commission."	3	133
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Fire in Ravenswood State Forest—Providing proper fire-breaks to prevent recurrence (<i>Hon. J. Sternberg</i>)	2	60
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Horse Breeding Act—Annual cost of administration—Number of persons employed, &c. (<i>Hon. E. G. Bath</i>)	15	1495, 1625
Hume Reservoir—Amount expended to 1st October—Progress of the work (<i>Hon. W. L. R. Clarke</i>)	16	1675
LIGHT and Port Dues. <i>See</i> "Shipping."		
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MELBOURNE Electric Supply Company—Papers in connexion with— Agreement with the Government for the purchase of the Undertakings of the Company (<i>Hon. R. H. S. Abbott</i>)	16	1675
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Motor cars passing stationary trams (<i>Hon. J. Sternberg</i>)	2	60
Municipalities. <i>See</i> "Rating."		
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PAPERS to be placed on the Library table. <i>See</i> "Melbourne Electric Supply Company."		
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Chief Commissioner's advice to carry a loaded stick or revolver as a protection against armed robbers (<i>Hon. E. I. Kiernan</i>)	1	32
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* Notice of question given but question not asked.

QUESTIONS ASKED BY HONORABLE MEMBERS, AND REPLIES THERETO.

Subject-matter, and Name of Member.	No. of Notice-Paper.	Page in Hansard.
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Cost of certain proposed new Stations and amount required to be contributed locally in each case (<i>Hon. A. E. Chandler</i>)	6	557-8
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Return tickets—Issue of, at country stations (<i>Hon. W. L. R. Clarke</i>) ..	15	1625
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Spencer-street bridge—Statement by the Premier that the bridge must be built (<i>Hon. J. P. Jones</i>)	19	2319
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Price paid by the Melbourne City Council for current (<i>Hon. J. K. Merritt</i>) And see "Melbourne Electric Supply Company."	3	133
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Motor cars—Prevention of accidents by prohibiting cars from being driven past stationary trams (<i>Hon. J. Sternberg</i>)	2	60
UNIVERSITY High School—Estimated cost, &c., of proposed new building (<i>Hon. H. H. Smith</i>)	10	1167-8
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YALLOURN. See "State Electricity Commission."		
YARRA River—Removing obstructions to reduce damage from floods (<i>Hon. J. K. Merritt</i>)	4	277

BILLS ASSENTED TO AFTER THE FINAL ADJOURNMENT OF BOTH HOUSES OF
PARLIAMENT AND BEFORE THE PROROGATION.

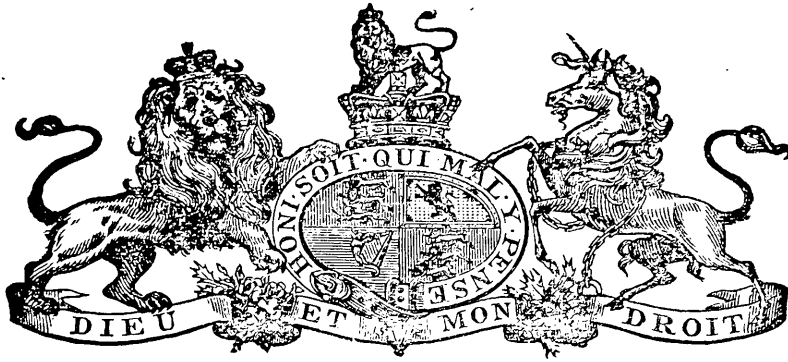
The following Bills were assented to by His Excellency the Governor on the dates mentioned hereunder, viz. :—

On the 23rd December, 1924—

Children's Maintenance
Country Roads Loan Application
Discharged Soldiers Settlement
Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage (Borrowing Powers)
Municipal Endowment
Railway Loan Application
Surplus Revenue
Victorian Loan (Public Works)
Wire Netting

On the 30th December, 1924—

Appropriation
Cattle Compensation (No. 2)
Dried Fruits
Electricity Supply Loan Application
Footscray Land
Highways and Vehicles
Income Tax (No. 2)
Land Tax
Local Government
Melbourne Electric Supply Company
Mildura Electricity Loan
Motor Omnibus
State Savings Bank (Insurance)
Victorian Loan (State Forests).



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[1925.]

PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E., Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Wednesday, the fourteenth day of January, 1925 :
Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation, prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the seventeenth day of February, 1925.

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

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. ALLAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!



SELECT COMMITTEES.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS
(JOINT).

(SEE ACT No. 2717).

The Hon. A. Bell
(Appointed 8th July, 1924.)

The Hon. A. E. Chandler
(Appointed 2nd December, 1924, in place of the
Hon. H. F. Richardson, who had accepted the
office of Minister of Forests.)

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1924.

No. 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 8th July, 1924.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott
H. I. Cohen
W. H. Edgar
Dr. J. R. Harris

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan
T. H. Payne
H. F. Richardson.

No. 2.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

Appointed 8th July, 1924.

The Hon. E. G. Bath
M. Saltau
A. A. Austin
W. L. R. Clarke

The Hon. J. H. Disney
H. H. Smith
A. M. Zwar

No. 3.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 15th July, 1924.

The Hon. the President
F. W. Brawn
H. I. Cohen
W. H. Edgar
J. P. Jones

The Hon. J. K. Merritt
T. H. Payne
Sir A. Robinson
J. Sternberg
E. J. White.

No. 4.—HOUSE (JOINT).

Appointed 15th July, 1924.

(See Act No. 3176, s. 2.)

The Hon. the President (*ex officio*)
W. Angliss
A. Bell

The Hon. A. E. Chandler
Dr. J. R. Harris
D. L. McNamara.

No. 5.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 15th July, 1924.

The Hon. the President
A. A. Austin
W. J. Beckett

The Hon. T. Beggs
W. L. R. Clarke.

No. 6.—PRINTING.

Appointed 15th July, 1924.

The Hon. the President
R. H. S. Abbott
E. G. Bath
J. H. Disney
H. Keck

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan
M. McGregor
H. H. Smith
W. Tyner
R. Williams.

No. 7.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

Appointed 15th July, 1924.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen
W. P. Crockett
W. H. Edgar

The Hon. J. P. Jones
H. F. Richardson
Sir A. Robinson.



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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1924.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1924.

No. 1.—STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL—Clause 4—

4. In sub-section (2) of section eighty-two of the Principal Act as amended by section five of the *State Savings Bank Act 1920* and section four of the *State Savings Bank Act 1922* for the words "Fifteen million pounds" there shall be substituted the words "Twenty-five million pounds."

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz.:—Clause 4, line 12, omit "Twenty-five million" and insert "Twenty million."—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1924.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1924.

No. 1.—GAME BILL—Clause 11—

11. At the end of section twenty-two of the Principal Act there shall be inserted the following sub-section:—

“(2) The inspector of fisheries or any assistant to such inspector or any member of the police force may (with or without warrant) with any assistance he requires take into custody any person whose name and address are unknown to him and who is found offending against any of the provisions of the Game Acts. Such person shall be taken before the nearest justice of the peace to be dealt with according to law.”—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*).

Question—That clause 11 stand part of the Bill—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
A. Bell,
G. L. Goudie,
T. H. Payne,
H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
H. H. Smith.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the “Ayes” and for the “Noes” to be respectively eight, or equal, the Chairman gave his voice with the “Ayes”, in order to allow of further consideration of the subject, and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA
 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1924.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS
 IN
 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1924.

No. 1. MELBOURNE ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY BILL.—Clause 19—

19. (1) The Commission may carry on and operate any undertakings vested in the Commission by virtue of this Act and for that purpose—

(a) the provisions of section twelve of the *State Electricity Commission Act 1918* shall extend and apply—so as to authorize the Commission to supply electricity for public or private purposes to any person or body of persons corporate or unincorporate within the area to which any relevant Order in Council in force immediately before the date of sale applied and such supply shall be deemed to be included in the purposes of the *State Electricity Commission Acts*; and

(b) the Commission may supply to the Tramway Authority and the Tramway Authority may obtain from the Commission all such electric power as is required by the Tramway Authority for the carrying on and operation of the tramways undertakings vested in the Tramway Authority by virtue of this Act.

(2) Where immediately before the date of sale the Company is carrying on any operations process or manufacture connected with such of the undertakings of the Company as are vested in the Commission the Commission may carry on any such or the like operations process or manufacture in connexion with the said undertakings.

—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted at the end of sub-clause (1):—

“Provided that the powers conferred on the Commission by this sub-section shall not prejudice or affect the right of the council of any municipality to continue after the date of sale to supply electricity within any area in the city of Melbourne or the suburbs thereof under the authority of any Order made pursuant to the *Electric Light and Power Act 1915* or any corresponding previous enactment under which such council is so supplying electricity at the commencement of this Act.”

—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

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

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
 A. Bell,
 F. W. Brawn,
 A. E. Chandler,
 W. L. R. Clarke,
 H. I. Cohen,
 W. P. Crockett,
 G. M. Davis,
 G. L. Goudie,
 H. Keck,
 M. McGregor,
 J. K. Merritt,
 H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

H. H. Smith,
 W. Tyner.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
 T. Beggs,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 J. P. Jones,
 D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—Clause 2, sub-clause (4)—

(4) Any owner of any stallion who fails to observe any undertaking given in respect of a stallion pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty of not more than Twenty pounds and such stallion shall be finally rejected from registration.

—(Hon. M. McGregor.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ and such stallion shall be finally rejected from registration ” be omitted.

—(Hon. E. G. Bath.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.
The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
H. F. Richardson,
Sir A. Robinson,
E. J. White,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell.

Noes, 11.
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
F. G. Clarke,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

No. 3. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—Clause 10—

10. Such approval shall not be given in the case of any film which in the opinion of the censor depicts any matter—

(a) which is indecent or obscene or is against public order ; or

(b) the exhibition of which—

(i) is likely to be injurious to morality or to encourage or incite to crime ; or

(ii) is undesirable in the public interest.

—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ or is against public order ” be omitted.

—(Hon. E. L. Kiernan.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.
The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
Sir A. Robinson,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
T. H. Payne.

Noes, 5.
The Hon. J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—Clause 12—

12. (1) For the purposes of this Act there shall be an advisory committee of five members constituted as hereinafter provided and appointed by the Governor in Council.

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—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That the words and figures “ 12. (1) For the purposes of this Act there shall be an advisory committee” be omitted.

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Question—That the words and figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put
Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

- The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
- W. P. Crockett,
- G. M. Davis,
- W. H. Edgar,
- G. L. Goudie,
- H. Keck,
- M. McGregor,
- H. F. Richardson,
- Sir A. Robinson,
- J. Sternberg,
- W. Tyner,
- A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

- The Hon. T. Beggs,
- W. L. R. Clarke.

Noes, 12.

- The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
- E. G. Bath,
- A. Bell,
- H. I. Cohen,
- Dr. J. R. Harris,
- J. P. Jones,
- D. L. McNamara,
- H. H. Smith,
- E. J. White,
- R. Williams.

Tellers.

- The Hon. J. H. Disney,
- E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

FRIDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

No. 5. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—Clause 12—

12. (1) For the purposes of this Act there shall be an advisory committee of five members constituted as hereinafter provided and appointed by the Governor in Council.

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(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “ five ” be omitted, with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word “ eight.”

—(Hon. H. H. Smith.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

- The Hon. E. G. Bath,
- T. Beggs,
- W. P. Crockett,
- G. M. Davis,
- G. L. Goudie,
- H. Keck,
- M. McGregor,
- H. F. Richardson,
- Sir A. Robinson,
- E. J. White,
- A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

- The Hon. A. Bell,
- W. L. R. Clarke.

Noes, 10.

- The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
- H. I. Cohen,
- J. H. Disney,
- Dr. J. R. Harris,
- J. P. Jones,
- E. L. Kiernan,
- D. L. McNamara,
- H. H. Smith.

Tellers.

- The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
- W. Tyner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 6. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—Clause 13 (as amended)—

13. (1) Any person plying for hire with any motor omnibus and the owner of such motor omnibus permitting or concerned in plying for hire therewith who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Act or any Order in Council regulation or by-law under this Act or any licence under this Act or any consent or permit under or conditions in such a licence shall be guilty of an offence against this Act; and in any such case the court may if it thinks fit cancel or suspend for such period as it thinks fit the licence for such motor omnibus as a hackney carriage.

(2) Where any matter or thing is by or under this Act or any Order in Council regulation or by-law under this Act or any licence under this Act or any consent or permit under or conditions in such licence directed or forbidden to be done and such matter or thing so directed to be done remains undone or such matter or thing so forbidden to be done is done, in every such case every person offending against such direction or prohibition shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

(3) Any person guilty of an offence against this Act shall for every such offence for which a penalty is not expressly provided by or under this Act be liable to a penalty of not more than Twenty pounds and in the case of a continuing offence to a further penalty of not more than Five pounds for each day on which such offence is continued after notice has been given to the offender by the licensing authority of the commission of the offence or after a conviction or order by any court (as the case may be).

—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That the following new sub-clause be added to the clause:—

“(4) Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any Order in Council regulation or by-law thereunder it shall not be an offence against this Act for any person to ply for hire with a motor omnibus or for the owner of a motor omnibus to permit or be concerned in plying for hire therewith in any part of the metropolitan area in which there is a cessation of the ordinary facilities for street passenger transport which had lasted for not less than twelve hours.”

—(Hon. Sir A. Robinson.)

Question—That the new sub-clause proposed to be added be so added—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
H. Keck,
Sir A. Robinson,
H. H. Smith,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
H. F. Richardson,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
R. Williams.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 7. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—The Schedule—

ADDITIONAL FEES PAYABLE ON THE REGISTRATION AND THE RENEWAL OF THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR OMNIBUSES UNDER THE “MOTOR CAR ACT 1915.”

1. In the case of a motor omnibus for which a “regular service” licence is granted in accordance with this Act for a prescribed route in whole or in part within three miles of the town hall in the city of Melbourne, the additional fee shall be—

if the motor omnibus is fitted with any tires other than pneumatic tires—a fee calculated at the rate of Four pounds ten shillings for each passenger the motor omnibus is licensed to carry; or

if the motor omnibus is fitted with no tires other than pneumatic tires—a fee calculated at the rate of Three pounds seven shillings and sixpence for each passenger the motor omnibus is licensed to carry.

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—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “Four” in the fifth line of paragraph 1 be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word “Five.”

—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
Sir A. Robinson,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
D. L. McNamara,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 8. INCOME TAX BILL.—Clause 2—

2. (1) The rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say) :—

- (a) The rate of the duties of income tax on all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion shall be as set out in the First Schedule to this Act ;
- (b) The rate of the duties of income tax on all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property shall be as set out in the Second Schedule to this Act ;
- (c) The rates of the duties of income tax on a total income derived by any person (not being a company) partly from personal exertion and partly from the produce of property shall be as set out in the Third Schedule to this Act ;
- (d) The rates of the duties of income tax payable by a company (including a life assurance company) shall be as set out in the Fourth Schedule to this Act :

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—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, sub-clause (1), omit paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d), and insert the following :—

- (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Threepence ; and
 - (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fourpence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds, and up to One thousand pounds, Fivepence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Sixpence ; and
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Sevenpence ;
- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—
 - (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Sixpence ; and
 - (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Eightpence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Tenpence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Twelvence ; and
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence ;

And there shall be payable an additional tax as follows :—

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Eight hundred pounds but does not exceed One thousand pounds—
An amount equal to ten per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand pounds but does not exceed One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds—
An amount equal to twelve and a half per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds One thousand two hundred and fifty pounds but does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds—
An amount equal to fifteen per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Two thousand two hundred pounds but does not exceed Five thousand pounds—
An amount equal to twenty per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

Where the income, whether from personal exertion or the produce of property or both, exceeds Five thousand pounds—
An amount equal to twenty-five per centum of the amount of tax which is chargeable as aforesaid.

- (c) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Fourteenpence.
- (d) On the income of a mutual life assurance company—
- (i) With respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the income, Twelvepence.
 - (ii) With respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Fourteenpence.

—(Hon. Sir A. Robinson.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 19.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
Sir A. Robinson,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 9. INCOME TAX BILL.—Clause 5—

5. (1) Any taxpayer ordinarily resident in Victoria whose net income for the year immediately preceding the year of assessment, apart from the operation of this section and of section 3 of the *Income Tax Act* 1921 as amended by any Act, does not exceed Two thousand two hundred pounds, may deduct from such net income the sum of Fifty pounds in respect of the wife of such taxpayer wholly maintained by him, and such deduction shall in the first place be made from income from personal exertion. If the wife of such taxpayer has not an income of her own exceeding One hundred pounds she shall be deemed for the purposes of this sub-section to be wholly maintained by him.

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—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz.:—Clause 5, omit this clause.

—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. K. Merritt,
T. H. Payne,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. H. Smith,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris,
R. Williams.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 10. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Schedules—

FIRST SCHEDULE.

RATE OF TAX UPON INCOME FROM PERSONAL EXERTION.

For so much of the whole taxable income as does not exceed £3,000 the average rate of tax per pound sterling shall be Threepence and three eight-hundredths of one penny where the taxable income is One pound sterling, and shall increase uniformly with each increase of One pound sterling of the taxable income by three eight-hundredths of one penny.

The average rate of tax per pound sterling for so much of the taxable income as does not exceed £3,000 may be calculated from the following formula :—

R = average rate of tax in pence per pound sterling.
I = taxable income in pounds sterling.

$$R = \left(3 + \frac{3}{800} I \right) \text{pence.}$$

For every pound sterling of taxable income in excess of £3,000 the rate of tax shall be Eighteenpence.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

RATE OF TAX UPON INCOME THE PRODUCE OF PROPERTY.

For every pound sterling of taxable income the average rate of tax shall be 1.75 times the rate of tax applicable to every pound sterling of a taxable income of the same amount from personal exertion.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

RATES OF TAX IN RESPECT OF TAXABLE INCOME CONSISTING PARTLY OF INCOME FROM PERSONAL EXERTION AND PARTLY OF INCOME THE PRODUCE OF PROPERTY.

The rate of tax payable for every pound sterling of the sum of the taxable income from personal exertion and the taxable income the produce of property shall be calculated as though the total taxable income from the two sources were income from personal exertion ; and in addition there shall be payable for every pound sterling of the taxable income the produce of property seventy-five per centum of the rate payable on a taxable income of the same amount from personal exertion.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

RATES OF TAX PAYABLE BY A COMPANY.

- (a) For every pound sterling of the taxable income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company), the rate of tax shall be Fifteenpence.
- (b) For every pound sterling of the taxable income of a mutual life assurance company, with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, the rate of tax shall be Twelvepence, and with respect to its other business, the rate of tax shall be Fifteenpence.

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—Omit all the Schedules.

—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

- The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
- W. Angliss,
- E. G. Bath,
- T. Beggs,
- A. Bell,
- F. W. Brawn,
- W. L. R. Clarke,
- H. I. Cohen,
- G. M. Davis,
- J. K. Merritt,
- T. H. Payne,
- H. H. Smith,
- W. Tyner,
- E. J. White,
- A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

- The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
- M. Saltau.

Noes, 12.

- The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
- G. L. Goudie,
- Dr. J. R. Harris,
- J. P. Jones,
- E. L. Kiernan,
- M. McGregor,
- D. L. McNamara,
- H. F. Richardson,
- J. Sternberg,
- R. Williams.

Tellers.

- The Hon. J. H. Disney,
- H. Keck.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

REPORT.

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R E P O R T.

The Standing Orders Committee have the honour to report that, in accordance with the resolution of your Honorable House on the 9th September last, they have made several alterations in, and additions to, the Standing Orders of the Legislative Council, which they now present for the consideration of your Honorable House.

Committee Room,
9th December, 1924.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

STANDING ORDERS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

(As amended and re-numbered by the Standing Orders Committee).

CHAPTER I.

PROCEEDINGS ON THE OPENING OF
PARLIAMENT.First
Session of
new
Parliament.
Proclama-
tion read by
the Clerk.

1. On the first day of the meeting of a new Parliament for the despatch of business, pursuant to Proclamation, and at the time and place appointed, the Clerk shall read the Proclamation.

(1)

Commis-
sioners
introduced.

2. The Usher shall then introduce to the Council Chamber Commissioners from His Excellency the Governor appointed to open Parliament.

(2)

Assembly
summoned.

3. At the desire of the Senior Commissioner the Usher shall request the presence of the Members of the Assembly to hear the Commission read.

(3) Verbal amendment.

Commission
read by the
Clerk.

4. The Members of the Assembly having presented themselves, the Clerk shall read the Commission.

(4) Verbal amendment.

Assembly
requested
to elect
Speaker.

5. The Senior Commissioner will then inform the Members of both Houses that His Excellency the Governor will at a future time declare the cause of his calling Parliament together, and will request the Members of the Assembly in the meantime to proceed to the election of their Speaker.

(5) Verbal amendment.

President
takes Chair
and reads
Prayer.

6. The Commissioners and the Members of the Assembly having withdrawn from the Council Chamber, the President shall take the Chair and read the Lord's Prayer.

(6) Verbal amendment.

New
Members.

7. New Members may then be introduced and sworn.

(7)

Adjourn-
ment.

8. The Council will then adjourn.

(8)

Governor's
approach
awaited.

9. At the next meeting after the adjournment the President shall take the Chair and await the approach of His Excellency the Governor.

(9) Verbal amendment.

Second
or subse-
quent Ses-
sion.
Proclama-
tion read by
the Clerk.

10. On the day and at the hour appointed for the commencement and holding of any Session of Parliament not being the first meeting after a dissolution of the Assembly, the Clerk shall read the Proclamation convening Parliament.

(10) Verbal amendment.

Governor
announced
by Usher.

11. When His Excellency the Governor has arrived at the Council Chamber, the Usher shall announce his arrival and conduct him to the Chair, the President leaving the Chair and taking one to the right of His Excellency.

(11) Verbal amendment

REMARKS.

NOTE.—To facilitate comparison with the present Standing Orders, the present number (in brackets) is set opposite each Standing Order. Where no remark follows such number the Standing Order has not been amended by the Committee.

- Assembly summoned. 12. Upon the command of His Excellency the Governor, the Usher shall desire the immediate attendance of the Assembly in the Council Chamber. (12) Verbal amendment.
- Governor's Speech. 13. When the Members of the Assembly have come with their Speaker into the Council Chamber, His Excellency the Governor will proceed to declare the cause of his calling the Parliament together. (13) Verbal amendment.
- Copy of Speech to President and Speaker. 14. The President and the Speaker will then each receive a copy of His Excellency the Governor's Speech from his Private Secretary, and His Excellency will then withdraw from the Council Chamber. (14)
- Prayer. 15. The President shall then take the Chair and read the Lord's Prayer. (15)
- Privilege Bill introduced. 16. Before His Excellency the Governor's Speech is reported to the House, some Bill is read a first time. (16)
- Notices of Motion, &c. 17. Notices of Question and of Motion may then be given, and papers laid upon the Table. (17)
- Speech reported. 18. The President shall then report to the Council the Speech of His Excellency the Governor. (18)
- Motion for Address in reply. 19. The Speech having been reported by the President, a motion for an Address in reply to the Speech will then be made. (19) Amended by omitting provision for appointment of Select Committee to prepare Address-in-reply. As a consequential amendment Nos. (20) and (21) also omitted.
- Address agreed to. 20. On the Address being read, the Council will resolve to agree to the same with or without amendment. (22)
- Motion for presenting Address. 21. A motion will then be made that the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President and such Members as may desire to accompany him, or in such other manner as His Excellency may appoint. (23)
- Governor's reply reported. 22. The President shall report to the Council His Excellency the Governor's reply to their Address. (24)
- If office of President vacant, and new Member to be sworn, Commissioner introduced. 23. In case the office of President of the Council become vacant during the prorogation of Parliament, and any new Member be elected during such prorogation, so soon as the Clerk has read the Proclamation convening Parliament the Usher shall introduce a Commissioner appointed by His Excellency the Governor for swearing Members, and the Clerk shall read his Commission. (25)
- Writs when office of President vacant, how announced. 24. After such Commission has been read the Clerk shall read, with the returns endorsed thereon, any Writs delivered to him that have been issued during the prorogation, either by the President while in office, or by His Excellency the Governor, in pursuance of The Constitution Act Amendment Acts. (26) Verbal amendment.
- Members sworn. 25. Members returned pursuant to such Writs will then be sworn as prescribed by The Constitution Act Amendment Acts. (27) Verbal amendment.
- Commissioner retires. 26. The Commissioner will then retire from the Council Chamber. (28)

CHAPTER II.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

- Election of President. 27. Whenever the office of President becomes vacant, a Member, addressing himself to the Clerk, shall propose to the Council for their President some Member then present, and move that such Member do take the Chair of the Council as President. (29)
- When only one Member proposed. 28. If only one Member be proposed and seconded as President, he shall express in his place his sense of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submit himself to the Council, and he shall be then taken out of his place by the Members who proposed and seconded him, and by them conducted to the Chair. (30) Verbal amendments.
- When more than one Member proposed. 29. If more than one Member be proposed as President, a motion shall be made and seconded regarding each such Member "That the Honorable do take the Chair of the Council as President;" and each Member so proposed shall address himself to the Council. (31) Verbal amendments.
- Question put by the Clerk. 30. A question shall be then put by the Clerk that the Member first proposed "do take the Chair of the Council as President," which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, like other questions. (32) Verbal amendment.
- If question passed. 31. If the question be resolved in the affirmative, the Member shall be conducted to the Chair; but if in the negative, a question shall be then put by the Clerk that the Member next proposed "do take the Chair of the Council as President," and if it be resolved in the affirmative the Member shall be conducted to the Chair. (33) Verbal amendments.
- If negatived.
- President elect takes the Chair. 32. Having been conducted to the Chair, the Member elected shall return his acknowledgments to the Council for the honour conferred upon him, and thereupon take the Chair. (34) Verbal amendments.
- President elect presents himself to Governor. 33. Before proceeding to any business, the President elect, with such Members of the Council as desire to accompany him, shall present himself to His Excellency the Governor as the choice of the Council. (35) Verbal amendment.
- Governor's reply to be reported. 34. The President shall report to the Council any reply that may be made by His Excellency the Governor. (36)
- *Deputy-President. 35. The Chairman of Committees shall take the Chair as Deputy-President whenever requested to do so by the President* during a sitting of the Council, without any formal communication to the Council. New Standing Order.

CHAPTER III.

PROCEEDINGS ON PROROGATION.

- Governor's approach announced by Usher. 36. On the prorogation of Parliament by His Excellency the Governor in person, the Usher shall announce the arrival of His Excellency and shall conduct him to the Chair, the President leaving the Chair and taking one to the right of the Governor. (37)

* In the absence of the President the Council may choose some other Member to be Acting-President. (See Act No. 2682, s. 54.)

Assembly
summoned.

37. Upon the command of His Excellency the Governor, the Usher shall desire the immediate attendance of the Assembly in the Council Chamber.

(38) Verbal amendments.

Assent to
Bills.

38. When the Members of the Assembly have come with their Speaker into the Council Chamber, the Clerk of the Parliaments having received the Supply and Appropriation Bills (if any) from the hands of the Speaker shall present them, together with other Bills passed by the two Houses of Parliament, to His Excellency the Governor for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, and His Excellency's determination on each Bill respectively shall be read by the Clerk of the Parliaments.

(39) Verbal amendments.

Prorogation.

39. His Excellency the Governor will then make a Speech, and prorogue the Parliament.

(40)

CHAPTER IV.

SITTING AND ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE.

President
takes Chair
when
quorum
present.

If a quorum
not present
within half
an hour,
Council
adjourned.

40. The President shall take the Chair as soon after the time appointed for the meeting of the Council as a quorum* of Members is present, and shall read the Lord's Prayer; but if, at the expiration of half an hour after the time appointed, there be not a quorum, the President shall then take the Chair and adjourn the Council to the next sitting day, the bells having been previously rung as for a division.

(41) Verbal amendments.

If want of a
quorum be
noticed,
Council ad-
journed.

41. If at any time after the commencement of the business of the day it appear, on notice being taken, or on a division, that there is not a quorum of Members present, the President shall, after the bells have been rung as for a division, count the Members, and, if there be not a quorum present, shall, without question put, adjourn the Council to the next sitting day.

(42) Verbal amendments.

Doors un-
locked whilst
President
counting.

42. The doors of the Chamber shall be unlocked when the President is engaged in counting the Council.

(43)

Special
meeting of
the Council.

43. If during the currency of any adjournment of the Council any emergency shall arise which in the opinion of the President renders it desirable that the Members of the Council should meet for the consideration of any matter before the time previously fixed for meeting, the President shall be empowered to appoint a day and hour for a special meeting to deal with such matter and to summon Members to such special meeting: Provided always that the said date shall not be earlier than two days from the date of summons.

New Standing Order.

Strangers.

44. The Usher shall from time to time take into his custody any stranger (save as in the next Order mentioned) whom he sees or who is reported to him to be in any part of the Council appropriated exclusively to the Members of the Council, and also any stranger who, having been admitted into any other part of the Chamber or Gallery, misconducts himself or does not withdraw when strangers are directed to withdraw while the Council or any Committee of the whole Council is sitting; and no person so taken into custody shall be discharged out of custody without the order of the Council.

(44)

* To constitute a quorum there must be present (exclusive of the President) one-third at least of the Members of the Council. (See section IX. of The Constitution Act.)

- Strangers not admitted within the Bar. 45. No strangers shall, without leave of the Council, be admitted to the body of the Council Chamber within the Bar while the Council or a Committee of the whole Council is sitting. (45)
- Assembly Members to have seats outside the Bar. 46. Members of the Assembly may be admitted without orders to the benches to the right of the President, outside the Bar. (46) Verbal amendments.
- Seat for Speaker within the Chamber. 47. Accommodation may be provided for the Speaker of the Assembly within the body of the Council Chamber. (47) Verbal amendment.
- Orders for admission of strangers. 48. The President only shall have the privilege of admitting strangers to the body of the Council Chamber outside the Bar; but every Member shall have the privilege of admitting by orders strangers to the Gallery of the Council Chamber. (48)
- Strangers to withdraw when ordered. 49. If at any sitting of the House, or in Committee, any Member shall take notice that strangers are present, the President or the Chairman (as the case may be) shall forthwith put the question "That strangers be ordered to withdraw" without permitting any debate or amendment: Provided that the President or the Chairman may, whenever he thinks fit, order the withdrawal of strangers from any part of the House. (49)
- Standing Orders Committee prescribe arrangements for opening and prorogation. 50. The Standing Orders Committee shall prescribe the arrangements for the opening and prorogation of Parliament, which arrangements the Usher shall carry into effect under the direction of the President. (50)
- Minutes of Proceedings. 51. Every vote and proceeding of the Council shall be noted by the Clerks at the Table, and the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Council shall be printed; the Government Printer shall print the same; and the Minutes of the Proceedings, so printed and signed by the Clerk of the Council, shall be the Journals of the Council; but the Council may at any time by order restrain the publication of any of its proceedings. (51)
- Custody of records and documents. 52. The custody of all records or other documents belonging to the Council shall be in the Clerk, who shall not permit any to be removed without leave of the Council or, during any adjournment or prorogation, without leave of the President. (52)
- Adjournment motions. 53. No Member, unless he be a Minister of the Crown or some Member deputed by him, shall be allowed to move "That the Council do now adjourn" unless, on his rising to make such motion, six other members shall rise in their places and require the motion to be proposed. The Member moving the adjournment shall state in writing the subject that he proposes to speak to, and the debate shall be strictly confined to the subject so stated. And no Member having moved or seconded any such motion shall be entitled to move or second any similar motion during the same debate. (53) Amended to provide that Member shall state "in writing" the subject he proposes to speak to.
- If adjournment motion an abuse of the rules. 54. If the President be of opinion that a motion for the adjournment of a debate or of the Council during any debate is an abuse of the rules of the Council, he may forthwith put the question thereupon from the Chair. (54)

CHAPTER V.

ATTENDANCE AND PLACES OF MEMBERS.

- Every Member to attend service of Council. 55. Every Member is bound to attend the service of the Council, unless leave of absence be given to him by the Council, and shall during such attendance remain uncovered. (55)
- Leave of absence. 56. Leave of absence may be given by the Council to any Member for sufficient cause to be stated to the Council. (56)
- Notice of Motion to be given. 57. Notice shall be given of a motion for giving leave of absence to any Member, stating the cause and period of absence. (57)
- Leave of absence, how forfeited. 58. If any Member having leave of absence attend the service of the Council before the expiration of such leave, his leave shall thereupon expire. (58)
- Call of the Council. 59. When an order is made that the Council be called, such call shall not be made for any day earlier than seven days from the date of such order, inclusive of the day of such order. (59)
- Order for call of the Council to be forwarded. 60. A copy of the order for a call of the Council, signed by the Clerk, shall be delivered by hand or forwarded by post, addressed to each Member of the Council. (60) The words "delivered by hand or" have been inserted.
- Usher to keep book of Members' addresses. 61. For the purpose of enabling this notice to be given, the Usher shall keep a book and enter therein the name and address of every Member. (61)
- Call of the Council an Order of the Day. 62. The order for a call of the Council on a future day shall be set down as the first Order of the Day for the day so appointed. (62) The words "the first" substituted for "an."
- Names called in alphabetical order. 63. When the Order of the Day for a call of the Council is read, unless the same be postponed or discharged, the names of the Members shall be called over by the Clerk in alphabetical order. (63)
- Members not present but subsequently attending. 64. The names of all Members who do not answer when called shall be taken down by the Clerk, and subsequently called a second time, when those who answer, or afterwards attend in their places on the same day, may be excused. (64)
- Members not attending during the same day. 65. Members not attending in their places on the same day may be ordered to attend on a future day; when unless they attend, or an excuse to the satisfaction of the Council be offered for their absence, they may be dealt with for their default as the Council may think fit. (65) The words "are held guilty of contempt and" have been omitted.

CHAPTER VI.

NOTICES AND ORDERS OF THE DAY.

- Ordinary business of the Day. 66. The ordinary business of each day consists of the giving of notice of Questions and Motions, the answering of Questions, the presentation of Petitions, and the discussion of Motions and of Orders of the Day. (66)
- Order of the Day defined. 67. An Order of the Day is a Bill or matter which the Council has ordered to be taken into consideration on a particular day. (67)

- Notices of Motion, &c., when to be given. 68. No Notice of Question or of Motion shall, without leave of the Council, be received after the Council has proceeded to the Orders of the Day. (68)
- Questions to Ministers or other Members: 69. Questions may be put to Ministers of the Crown relative to public affairs, and to other Members relating to any Bill motion or other public matter connected with the business before the Council in which such Members may be concerned. (69)
- not to involve argument. 70. In putting any such question, no argument or opinion shall be offered, nor any facts stated, except so far as may be necessary to explain such question. (70)
- In answering a question the matter not to be debated. 71. In answering any such question, the Minister or Member shall not debate the matter to which the same refers. (71)
- When Motions to precede Orders of the Day. 72. Motions shall take precedence of Orders of the Day, except on days fixed for the consideration of Government business, and shall, unless postponed, be moved in the order in which they stand on the Notice-paper. (72) The words " Questions and " have been omitted.
- Printing of a document may be moved without notice. 73. On the presentation of any document a motion may be made, without notice, that it be printed, and a day appointed for its consideration. (73)
- Clerk to read the Orders of the Day. 74. After Questions and Motions have been disposed of, the President shall direct the Clerk at the Table to read the Orders of the Day, without any question being put. (74) The words " Notices of " have been omitted, and consequential verbal amendments made.
- Motions and Orders not called on. 75. All Motions and Orders of the Day which at the adjournment of the Council have not been called on shall, according as they relate to Government business or general business, be set down in the Notice-paper after the Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day respectively for the next day on which the Council sits. (75) Provision *re* Dropped Motions and Orders brought into line with the practice by amending this Standing Order and inserting the following New Standing Order.
- Revival of dropped Motions and Orders. 76. If a Motion or Order of the Day drops off the Notice-paper owing to no day being appointed for its future consideration or to its being superseded or to the debate thereon being interrupted by a Count Out, such Motion or Order may be restored to the Notice-paper for a subsequent day on Motion without notice made before the commencement or after the close of public business. New Standing Order based on the treatment of the subject in May's *Parliamentary Practice*.
- Notices to be in writing, and delivered at the Table. 77. Every Member in giving notice of a Question or Motion shall read it aloud and deliver at the Table a copy of such notice fairly written, signed by him or on his behalf, and stating the day proposed for asking such Question or bringing on such Motion. (76)
- A Member not to give two Notices consecutively. 78. A Member may not give for himself two Notices of Question or of Motion consecutively if any other Member has any notice to submit. (77)
- Notice may be given for absent Members. 79. A Member may give notice for any other Member not then present by putting the name of such Member on the Notice of Question or of Motion. (78)
- Restriction upon giving Notices. 80. No Notice of Question or of Motion may be given for a day beyond fourteen days from the day of giving the same. (79)
- Notices, &c., to be printed and circulated. 81. Every Notice of Question or of Motion and Order of the Day shall be printed and circulated. (80)

- Notices may be expunged. 82. Any Notice or part of a Notice of Question or of Motion containing, in the opinion of the President, unbecoming expressions or, in the case of a Notice of Question, debatable matter, may be omitted from the Notice-paper by order of the President. (81)
- Notices may be postponed. 83. A Member desiring to change the day for asking a Question or bringing on a Motion, may give notice of such Question or Motion for any day subsequent to that first named, but not earlier, subject to the same rules as other Notices of Question or of Motion. (82)
- Notices may be altered. 84. After a Notice of Question or of Motion has been given, the terms thereof may be altered by the Member, on delivering or causing to be delivered at the Table an amended notice one day at the least prior to the day for asking such Question or making such Motion. (83)
- Effect of question of Order or Privilege arising. 85. All questions of Order or Privilege at any time arising shall suspend the consideration and decision of every other question, but an adjourned debate on such questions shall not be entitled to precedence unless so ordered. (84)
- Vote of thanks. 86. Precedence shall be given to a motion for a vote of thanks of the Council. (85)
- Questions and Motions without notice. 87. A Question may be asked or a Motion may be made by leave of the Council without previous notice. (86)

CHAPTER VII.

QUESTIONS PUT BY PRESIDENT.

- Question proposed by President. 88. When a motion has been made and seconded, the question thereupon shall be proposed to the Council by the President. (87)
- Motions not seconded. 89. Any motion not seconded may not be further debated, and no entry thereof shall be made in the Minutes of Proceedings. (88)
- Motion may be withdrawn. 90. A Member who has made a motion may withdraw the same by leave of the Council. (89)
- Question, how superseded. 91. A question may be superseded: (1) By the adjournment of the Council, either on the motion of a Member "That the Council do now adjourn," or on notice being taken and it appearing that a quorum of Members is not present; (2) By a motion "That the Orders of the Day be now read;" (3) By a motion "That this question be now put" being proposed and negatived. (90)
- Previous Question if resolved in affirmative. 92. If the motion "That this question be now put" be resolved in the affirmative, the original question shall be put forthwith, without any amendment or debate. (91)
- Previous Question, &c., superseded by adjournment. 93. A question for reading the Orders of the Day, and also the motion "That this question be now put," may be superseded by the adjournment of the Council upon motion to that effect being carried or for the want of a quorum. (92)
- Debate, how interrupted. 94. The debate upon a question may be interrupted: (1) By a Message from His Excellency the Governor; (2) By a matter of privilege suddenly arising; (3) By words of heat between Members; (4) By a question of order; (5) By a Message from the Assembly; (6) By a motion for reading an Act of Parliament, an entry in the Journal, or other public document, relevant to the question before the Council. (93) Verbal amendment.

- Question may be divided. 95. The Council may order a complicated question to be divided. (94)
- Question put and again stated. 96. So soon as the debate upon a question is concluded, the President shall put the question to the Council, and if the same be not heard shall again state it to the Council. (95)
- Questions determined by majority of voices. 97. A question, being put, shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative by the majority of voices "Aye" or "No." (96)
- President states whether "Ayes" or "Noes" have it. 98. The President shall state whether, in his opinion, the "Ayes" or the "Noes" have it; and, unless his opinion be acquiesced in by the minority, the question shall be determined by a division. (97)
- The same question not to be again proposed. 99. No question shall be proposed in the Council which is the same in substance as any question which, during the same Session, has been resolved in the affirmative or negative. (98)
- Motion withdrawn may be made again. 100. A motion which has been by leave of the Council withdrawn may be made again during the same Session. (99)
- Resolution or vote may be rescinded. 101. A resolution or other vote of the Council may be read and rescinded. (100)
- Order may be discharged. 102. An order of the Council may be read and discharged. (101)

CHAPTER VIII.

AMENDMENTS.

- How question may be amended. 103. A question having been proposed may be amended: (1) By leaving out certain words only; (2) By leaving out certain words in order to insert or add other words; or (3) By inserting or adding words. (102)
- Amendments to be seconded. 104. An amendment proposed, but not seconded, shall not be entertained by the Council, nor entered in the Minutes of Proceedings. (103) Verbal amendment.
- Amendment to leave out words. 105. When the proposed amendment is to leave out certain words, the President shall put a question "That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question," which shall be resolved by the Council in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be. (104)
- Amendment to leave out words and insert or add other words. 106. When the proposed amendment is to leave out certain words in order to insert or add other words, the President shall put a question "That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question," which, if resolved in the affirmative, will dispose of the amendment; but if resolved in the negative and there is no motion before the Council for amending the proposed amendment, another question shall be put, "That the words (*of the amendment*) proposed to be inserted [*or added*] in the place of the words omitted be so inserted [*or added*]," which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be. (105)
- Amendment to insert or add words. 107. When the proposed amendment is to insert or add certain words, the President shall put a question "That such words be inserted [*or added*]," which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be. (106)

- When later part amended or proposed to be amended. 108. No amendment shall be proposed in any part of a question after a later part has been amended, or has been proposed to be amended, unless (in the latter case) the proposed amendment has been by leave of the Council withdrawn. (107) The words "(in the latter case)" have been inserted.
- No amendment to words already agreed to. 109. No amendment shall be proposed to be made to any words which the Council has resolved shall stand part of a question, except the addition of other words thereto. (108)
- Proposed amendment withdrawn. 110. A proposed amendment may be by leave of the Council withdrawn. (109)
- Amendments to proposed amendments. 111. When an amendment has been proposed from the Chair, amendments may be moved thereto, as if such proposed amendment were an original question. (110)
- Question as amended put. 112. When amendments have been made, the main question as amended shall be put. (111)
- If proposed amendments not made. 113. When amendments have been proposed, but not made, the question shall be put as originally proposed. (112)

CHAPTER IX.

DEBATE.

- Order maintained by President. 114. The President shall maintain order in the Council. (113)
- When the President rises Members to be silent. 115. Whenever the President rises during a debate, any Member then speaking, or offering to speak, shall sit down, and the Members shall be silent, so that the President may be heard without interruption. (114)
- Indulgence to Members unable to stand. 116. By the special indulgence of the Council a Member unable conveniently to stand, by reason of sickness or infirmity, may be permitted to speak sitting. (115)
- No Member to speak after question put. 117. No Member may speak to any question after the same has been put by the President and the voices have been given both in the affirmative and in the negative thereon. (116)
- President calls upon Members to speak. Motion that a Member "be now heard." 118. When two or more Members rise to speak the President calls upon that Member first observed by him; but a motion may be made, That any Member who has risen "be now heard" or "do now speak." (117)
- Member moving adjournment of debate. 119. A Member moving or seconding the adjournment of the debate on any question shall, whether the adjournment be carried or not, be entitled to speak again on the main question, provided he has not discussed that question in moving or seconding the motion for adjournment. (118)
- Personal explanation. 120. By the indulgence of the Council a Member may explain matters of a personal nature, although there be no question before the Council; but such matters may not be debated. (119)
- No Member to speak twice; 121. No Member may speak twice to a question before the Council, except in explanation or reply. (120)
- except in explanation; 122. A Member who has spoken to a question before the Council may again be heard, to explain himself in regard to some material part of his speech, but shall not introduce any new matter. (121)
- or to reply in certain cases. 123. A reply shall be allowed to a Member who has made a substantive motion to the Council, but not to any Member who has moved an Order of the Day, an amendment, an instruction to a Committee, or the previous question. (122) Verbal amendment.

- Member seconding *pro forma* may reserve his speech. 124. A Member who seconds a motion or amendment before the Council without speaking to it may address the Council on the subject of such motion or amendment at any subsequent period of the debate. (123)
- Member speaking may move adjournment of debate. 125. A Member while speaking to a question may move the adjournment of the debate. (124)
- Speaking "to order," &c. 126. Any Member may rise to speak "to order" or upon a matter of privilege suddenly arising. (125)
- Debates of same Session not to be alluded to. 127. No Member shall allude to any debate of the same Session, upon a question or Bill not being then under discussion, except by the indulgence of the Council for personal explanations. (126)
- Allusion to debates in the other House. 128. No Member shall allude to any debate in the Assembly in the same Session. (127) Verbal amendment.
- Reflections upon votes of the Council. 129. No Member shall reflect upon any vote of the Council except for the purpose of moving that such vote be rescinded. (128)
- Offensive words against either House or any Statute. 130. No Member shall use offensive words against either House of Parliament; nor against any Statute unless for the purpose of moving for its repeal. (129)
- Offensive words against a Member. 131. No Member shall use offensive or unbecoming words in reference to any other Member. (130)
- Debate, how to be conducted. 132. No Member shall digress from the subject-matter of the question under discussion, nor comment upon any expressions said to have been used in the Assembly in the same Session; and all imputations of improper motives and all personal reflections on Members shall be considered highly disorderly. (131) Verbal amendments.
- Irrelevance or tedious repetition. 133. Any Member may, either in the Council or in Committee of the whole Council, call attention to continued irrelevance or tedious repetition on the part of a Member addressing the Chair, and the President or the Chairman, as the case may be, may direct such Member to discontinue his speech. (132) The words "if such Member disobey such direction he shall be guilty of contempt" have been omitted.
- Personal and disorderly reflections. 134. Whenever any Member makes use of any expression personal and disorderly, or capable of being applied offensively to any other Member, the President shall, either of his own motion or upon his attention being thereto called, require the Member so offending to withdraw the expression and to make a satisfactory apology to the Council. (136) Transposed to follow (132).
- Words taken down by direction of President. 135. When any Member objects to words used in debate, and desires them to be taken down, the President, if it appear to him to be the pleasure of the Council, shall direct the Clerk to take them down accordingly. (133)
- Words to be objected to when used. 136. Every such objection shall be taken at the time when such words are used. (134)
- Members not explaining or retracting, or not offering an apology. 137. Any Member using objectionable words, and not explaining or retracting the same, and any Member behaving offensively to the Council or any Member thereof and not offering an apology for the same, to the satisfaction of the Council, shall be censured, or otherwise dealt with as the Council may think fit. (135) Verbal amendments. Also the words "and any Member called to order shall sit down unless permitted to explain" have been omitted. See No. 138.
- Member called to order. 138. A Member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain. (137)

Council will prevent quarrels. 139. The Council will interfere to prevent the prosecution of any quarrel between Members arising out of debates or proceedings of the Council or any Committee thereof.

(138)

No interruption or disturbance allowed. 140. No Member shall wilfully interrupt or make a disturbance during the business of the Council.

(139) Part of S.O. (141) incorporated. Penalty omitted, being provided for in new S.O. 141.

Member named by President, or reported by Chairman, may be suspended. 141. If any Member be named by the President, or reported by the Chairman of Committees, for—

New Standing Order substituted for No. (140), which has been omitted.

- (a) wilfully interrupting or making a disturbance during the business of the Council or a Committee of the whole Council; or
- (b) disorderly conduct; or
- (c) using objectionable words and refusing to withdraw the same or behaving offensively and refusing to make a satisfactory apology; or
- (d) wilfully and persistently refusing to conform to the Standing Orders; or
- (e) wilfully disregarding the authority of the Chair—

such Member shall be called upon to make any explanation or apology he thinks fit, and a motion may be moved forthwith (no amendment, adjournment, or debate being allowed) "That such Member be suspended from the service of the Council during the remainder of the sitting (or for such period as the Council may think fit)." Any Member suspended under this Standing Order shall immediately withdraw and shall not come within the precincts of the House during the period of his suspension unless, on receipt of a satisfactory apology in writing, the Council resolve, on motion made without notice and determined without amendment or debate, to discharge the order of suspension. Nothing herein shall be taken to deprive the Council of the power of proceeding against any Member according to ancient usages.

When Members and others guilty of contempt. 142. If any person disobey an order of the Council, or if any person other than a Member wilfully interrupt the business of the Council, he may be declared guilty of contempt.

(141) Verbal amendments and amendment consequential on incorporating part with No. 140.

Commitment of Member or other person in contempt. 143. Every Member or other person declared guilty of contempt shall be committed to the custody of the Usher by warrant signed by the President.

(142)

Scale of fees payable on arrest or commitment. 144. The following scale of Fees shall be payable to the Usher on the arrest or commitment of any person, and no person shall, without the express direction of the Council, be discharged out of custody until such fees be paid or the Session of Parliament concluded:—

(143)

For arrest	£50
For commitment	£50
For each day's detention, including sustenance	£5 5s.

CHAPTER X.

DIVISIONS.

No Member to vote unless present when the question put. 145. No Member shall be entitled to vote in any division unless he be present in the Chamber when the question is put with the doors locked, and the vote of any Member not so present will be disallowed.

(144)

Every Member then present must vote. 146. Every Member present in the Chamber when the question is put with the doors locked shall be required to vote.

(145)

Clerk to ring bell and turn sandglass. 147. So soon as a division has been demanded, the Clerk shall ring the bell and turn a two-minute sandglass, kept on the Table for that purpose, and the doors shall not be closed until after the lapse of two minutes as indicated by such sandglass.

(146)

Doors locked after the lapse of two minutes. 148. At the expiration of such two minutes the doors shall be closed and locked, and no Member shall enter or leave the Council until after the result of the division has been declared.

(147)

Question put, and "Ayes" and "Noes" to take different sides of the Chamber. 149. When the doors have been locked and all the Members are in their places, the President shall put the question, and shall direct the "Ayes" to the right side of the Chamber, and the "Noes" to the left side of the Chamber, and shall appoint two Tellers for the "Ayes" and two Tellers for the "Noes."

(148) Amended to agree with usual practice in the Council.

Tellers appointed. Tellers report the numbers. 150. The Tellers shall report the numbers to the President, who shall declare them to the Council.

(149)

Division lists to be recorded. 151. An entry of the Division Lists shall be made by the Clerk in the Minutes of the Proceedings.

(150)

In case of confusion or error, Council again divides. 152. In case of confusion, or error concerning the numbers reported, unless the same can be otherwise corrected, the Council shall proceed to a second division.

(151)

Errors corrected in Minutes of Proceedings. 153. If the numbers have been inaccurately reported to the Council, the Council on being afterwards informed thereof shall order the Minutes of Proceedings to be corrected.

(152)

When casting vote given reasons recorded. 154. When, in case of an equality of votes, the President gives a casting vote, any reasons stated by him shall be entered in the Minutes of Proceedings.

(153)

No Member personally interested to vote. 155. No Member shall be entitled to vote either in the Council or in any Committee thereof upon any question in which he has a direct pecuniary interest, and the vote of any Member so interested shall be disallowed.

(154) The word "personal" omitted.

Point of order when dividing. 156. While the Council or a Committee of the whole Council is dividing, a Member can only speak to a point of order by permission of the President or Chairman.

(155)

CHAPTER XI.

COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

Council resolves itself into a Committee. 157. A Committee of the whole Council shall be appointed by the following resolution:— "That this Council do now [or will on some future day] resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council."

(156)

Quorum of Committee of the whole. 158. The same number of Members shall be required to form a quorum in Committee of the whole Council as are required to form a quorum of the Council.

(157)

Chairman of Committees. 159. A Member shall be appointed Chairman of Committees of the whole Council, and when so appointed he shall continue to act as Chairman until the next periodical election of Members of the Council or, in the event of a dissolution of the Council, until the date of such dissolution.

(158) Amended to make Chairman's term of office depend on Council elections instead of Assembly elections as hitherto.

Temporary Chairmen.	160. At the commencement of every Session the President shall nominate a panel of not less than two Members, who may act as temporary chairman of Committees whenever requested to do so by the Chairman of Committees or whenever the Chairman of Committees is absent.	New Standing Order.
If Chairman and Temporary Chairmen absent.	161. If when the Council resolves itself into a Committee of the whole the Chairman of Committees and the Temporary Chairmen be absent, the Committee may call some other Member then present to take the Chair of the Committee.	(159) Amendments consequential on provision made in new Standing Order No. 160 for appointment of Temporary Chairmen.
Order in Committee to be maintained by Chairman.	162. The Chairman of Committees shall maintain order in a Committee of the whole Council, but disorder in a Committee can be censured only by the Council on receiving a report thereof.	(160) Verbal amendments.
If motion to report progress an abuse of the rules.	163. If the Chairman be of opinion that a motion "That the Chairman do report progress" [<i>or</i> "do leave the Chair"] is an abuse of the rules of the Council he may forthwith put the question thereupon from the Chair.	(161)
Words of heat.	164. In a Committee of the whole Council, the Chairman, if it appear to him to be the pleasure of the Committee, shall direct the Clerk to take down any words used in debate to which objection has been made, in order that the same may be reported to the Council.	(162)
Words to be objected to when used.	165. Every such objection shall be taken at the time when such words are used.	(163)
A Committee to consider only such matters as are referred.	166. A Committee of the whole Council shall consider such matters only as have been referred to them by the Council.	(164) Verbal amendment.
Questions decided by a majority of voices.	167. Every question in Committee of the whole Council shall be decided by a majority of voices.	(165)
Divisions in Committee.	168. Divisions shall be demanded and taken in Committee of the whole Council in the same manner as in the Council itself, and in case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall give a casting vote.	(166)
Motions not seconded.	169. A motion made in Committee of the whole Council need not be seconded.	(167)
When later part amended or proposed to be amended.	170. In Committee of the whole Council no amendment shall be proposed in any part of a clause of a Bill or Question after a later part has been amended, or has been proposed to be amended, unless (in the latter case) the proposed amendment has been by leave of the Committee withdrawn.	(168) The words "(in the latter case)" have been inserted.
Previous Question not allowed.	171. No motion "That this question be now put" shall be made in Committee of the whole Council.	(169)
Members may speak more than once.	172. In Committee of the whole Council Members may speak more than once to the same question.	(170)
Order in debate.	173. The same order in debate shall otherwise be observed in Committee of the whole Council as in the Council itself.	(171)
Disorder arising.	174. If any sudden disorder arise in Committee of the whole Council, the President may resume the Chair without any question being put.	(172)
Personal or disorderly reflections in Committee.	175. Any Member using objectionable words in Committee of the whole Council and not explaining or retracting the same, and any Member behaving offensively to the Committee or any Member thereof and not offering an	(173) Redrafted to obtain uniformity with No. 137.

apology for the same, to the satisfaction of the Committee, shall have his conduct reported to the Council by the Chairman, who shall suspend the proceedings of the Committee.

If want of a quorum be noticed.

176. If notice be taken in Committee of the whole Council that a quorum of Members is not present, the bells shall be rung as for a division, and if, at the expiration of two minutes, or on a division, it appear that a quorum of Members is not present, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and the President shall resume the Chair.

(174) Verbal amendments.

Council counted by the President.

177. If a quorum of Members be present when the Council is counted by the President, the Council shall again resolve itself into the Committee of the whole Council without question put.

(175)

Motion to report progress.

178. A motion may be made during the proceedings of a Committee of the whole Council "That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again."

(176)

Report.

179. When all matters referred to a Committee of the whole Council have been considered, the Chairman shall be directed to report the same to the Council.

(177) Transposed.

Report of progress.

180. When all such matters have not been considered, the Chairman shall be directed to report progress and ask leave to sit again.

(178) Transposed.

Motion for Chairman to leave the Chair.

181. A resolution "That the Chairman do now leave the Chair" shall supersede the proceedings of a Committee.

(179)

Report brought up without question.

182. Every Report from a Committee of the whole Council shall be brought up without any question being put.

(180)

Report of Committee, how dealt with.

183. Every Report from a Committee of the whole Council may be adopted or not adopted by the Council, or recommitted to the Committee, or the further consideration thereof postponed.

(181)

Division lists.

184. Lists of divisions in Committee of the whole Council shall be printed weekly, and when the Chairman shall on an equality of votes in a division give a casting vote any reason stated by him shall be entered on the printed Lists of Divisions.

(182)

CHAPTER XII.

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Number of Members requisite.

185. A Select Committee shall consist of not less than five nor, without leave of the Council, more than ten Members.

(183)

President or Chairman need not serve.

186. It shall not be compulsory on the President or Chairman of Committees to serve on any Select Committee.

(184)

Quorum of Committee.

187. The quorum of every Select Committee shall be fixed at the time of appointing such Committee.

(185)

Notice of nomination to be given.

188. Every Member intending to move for the appointment of a Select Committee shall, one day at least preceding the nomination of such Committee, place on the Notice-paper the names of the Members intended to be proposed by him to be Members of such Committee; but if the mover be desirous that the Committee be appointed by ballot, then the number only need be stated.

(186)

Except when appointed by ballot.

- Manner of balloting for Committee. 189. If upon any motion for a Select Committee any six Members require it, such Committee shall be formed in the following manner, viz.:—Each Member shall deliver at the Clerk's table a list of the Members whom he wishes to be appointed on such Committee, equal in number to the number proposed, inclusive of the mover; if any list contain a greater or lesser number of names it shall be rejected; and the President shall appoint two Members to be scrutineers, who, with the Clerk, shall ascertain the number of votes for each Member; the Members who shall be reported to have the greatest number of votes shall be declared by the President to be the Members of such Committee; in any case of doubt arising from two or more Members having an equality of votes the President shall decide which shall serve on such Committee. (187) Amended to prevent plumping.
- Bells rung before ballot. 190. Before the Council proceed to ballot for a Committee the bells shall be rung as for a division. (188)
- Chairman to be elected. 191. Every Select Committee, previous to the commencement of business, shall elect one of its Members to be the Chairman; but if the Chairman be absent from any meeting the Members present may appoint any one of their number to be Chairman for that sitting. (189)
- Names of Members asking questions to be entered in the minutes of evidence. 192. To every question asked of a witness under examination in the proceedings of any Select Committee shall be prefixed in the minutes of the evidence the name of the Member asking such question. (190)
- Names of Members present to be entered. 193. An entry shall be made in the Proceedings of the names of the Members attending each Select Committee meeting, and of every motion or amendment proposed in such Committee together with the name of the mover thereof. (191)
- Divisions to be entered. 194. If any division take place in a Select Committee the Clerk of the Committee shall take down the names of the Members voting in any such division, distinguishing on which side of the question they respectively vote, and such lists shall be given in with the Report to the Council. (192) Verbal amendment.
- If quorum not formed, meeting adjourned. 195. If there be not a quorum of Members present within half an hour after the time fixed for the meeting of any Select Committee, the Member or Members present may adjourn the meeting of the Committee to a future day. (193)
- When quorum not present during sitting of Committee. 196. If at any time during the sitting of a Select Committee of the Council the quorum of Members fixed by the Council be not present, the Clerk of the Committee shall call the attention of the Chairman to the fact, who shall thereupon suspend the proceedings of the Committee until a quorum is present, or adjourn the Committee to some future day. (194) Verbal amendment.
- Members discharged and added. 197. Members may be discharged from attending a Select Committee, and other Members appointed or added, by resolution of the Council. (195)
- Power to send for persons, papers, and records. 198. Whenever it thinks fit, the Council may give a Select Committee power to send for persons, papers, and records. (196)
- Admission of strangers to Committees. 199. When a Select Committee is examining witnesses, strangers may be admitted or excluded at pleasure; but shall always be excluded when the Committee is deliberating. (197)

When Members of the Council may be present. 200. Members of the Council, not being of the Committee, may be present when a Committee is examining witnesses ; but shall withdraw when the Committee is deliberating. (198)

Secret Committee. 201. No strangers, or Members, not being of the Committee, shall be admitted at any time to a Secret Committee. (199)

Questions decided by majority. 202. In a Select Committee all questions shall be decided by a majority of voices. (200)

Chairman can vote only when voices equal. 203. The Chairman of a Select Committee can vote only when there is an equality of voices. (201) Word "only" transposed.

Committee may adjourn. 204. A Select Committee may adjourn from time to time ; and, by leave of the Council, from place to place. (202)

Proceedings void after notice that President is to take Chair. 205. All Select Committees sitting at the time that the President is about to take the Chair shall be informed by the Usher that the President is about to take the Chair, and all proceedings after such notice shall be null and void, unless such Committees be otherwise empowered to sit. (203)

May meet when Council not sitting. 206. All Select Committees may meet, if they so desire, on days on which the Council does not sit, unless the Council shall otherwise direct. (204)

Evidence, &c., not to be published before reported. 207. The evidence taken by any Select Committee, and documents which have been presented to such Committee, but have not been reported to the Council, shall not be published by any Member of such Committee, nor by any other person. (205)

Report from time to time. 208. All Select Committees may, if they so desire, have power to report their opinions, observations, minutes of evidence, or proceedings from time to time, unless the Council shall otherwise direct. (206)

Chairman to prepare Report. 209. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of every Select Committee to prepare the Report. (207)

Proceedings on consideration of Draft Report. 210. The Draft Report so prepared shall, if necessary, be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Committee ; and shall be read paragraph by paragraph to the Select Committee, convened for the purpose of considering it, and a question put to the Committee at the end of each paragraph "That it do stand part of the Report." A Member objecting to any portion of the Report shall propose his amendment at the time the paragraph he wishes to amend is under consideration. (208) Verbal amendment.

Report brought up. 211. The Report of a Select Committee shall be brought up by the Chairman, and may be ordered to lie upon the Table, or otherwise dealt with, as the Council may direct. (209)

Proceedings when Report presented to the Council. 212. Upon the presentation of a Report no discussion shall take place unless by leave of the Council, but the Report may be ordered to be printed with the documents accompanying it, and an order made for its being taken into consideration on a future day. (210)

CHAPTER XIII.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMITTEES.

Effect of an instruction. 213. An instruction empowers a Committee of the whole Council to consider matters not otherwise referred to them. (211)

What instructions may not be moved. 214. No instruction may be moved to order a Committee to make provision in a Bill ; nor to empower a Committee to make provision if they already have that power. (212)

- When instructions to be moved. 215. Notice shall be required of an instruction, and the time for moving an instruction to a Committee of the whole is when the Council is about to first resolve itself into such Committee, before the President leaves the Chair.
- Instruction to a Select Committee. 216. An instruction to a Select Committee extends or restricts the order of reference. (214)
- CHAPTER XIV.
WITNESSES.*
- Witnesses summoned by orders of the Council. 217. Witnesses shall be summoned in order to be examined at the Bar of the Council, or before a Committee of the whole Council or a Select Committee, by orders of the Council, signed by the Clerk. (215)
- Witness in custody. 218. If the Council desire the attendance of a witness who is in the custody of any person, such person may be ordered to bring the witness in safe custody from time to time as often as his attendance is required; and the President may issue his warrant accordingly. (216) Verbal amendments for uniformity with Nos. 222, 223, and 226.
- Committee with power may summon witnesses. 219. A Committee having power to send for persons, papers, and records may summon witnesses by its own order, signed by the Clerk. (217)
- If witness does not attend a Committee. 220. If any witness do not attend, pursuant to the order of a Committee, his absence shall be reported, and the Council may order him to attend the Council; but such order may be discharged in case the witness shall have attended the Committee before the time appointed for his attending the Council. (218)
- Neglect or refusal to attend. 221. A witness not attending in obedience to an order of the Council or of a Committee having power to summon witnesses, or in obedience to a warrant of the President, may be censured or declared guilty of contempt. (219)
- Attendance of a Member desired by Council, &c.; 222. If the Council or a Committee of the whole Council desire the attendance of a Member as a witness, he shall be ordered to attend in his place. (220) Verbal amendments.
- by a Select Committee. 223. If a Select Committee desire the attendance of a Member as a witness, the Chairman shall in writing request him to attend. (221)
- If a Member refuse to attend. 224. If any Member of the Council refuse, upon being sent for, to attend, or, when in attendance, to give evidence as a witness to a Select Committee, the Committee shall acquaint the Council therewith. (222)
- Committee to acquaint Council of charges against Members. 225. If any information that charges any Member of the Council come before any Committee, the Committee shall direct that the Council be acquainted with the matter of such information, without proceeding further thereupon. (223)

* Witnesses before the Council or any Committee thereof may be sworn. (See Act No. 3281.)

- When attendance of Assembly Member or Officer desired. 226. If the Council, or any Committee thereof (not being a Committee on a private Bill), desire the attendance of a Member or Officer of the Assembly as a witness, a Message shall be sent to the Assembly requesting that leave be given to such Member or Officer to attend to give evidence upon the matters stated in such Message. (224) Verbal amendments.
- Tampering with witnesses. 227. If it appear that any person has been tampering with any witness in respect of his evidence to be given before the Council or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly endeavouring to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, or that any person has given false evidence in any case before the Council or any Committee thereof, every such person may be declared guilty of contempt. (225) "may be declared guilty of contempt" substituted for "shall be guilty of contempt." Cf. Nos. 142 and 255.
- False evidence. 228. All witnesses examined before the Council or any Committee thereof shall be entitled to the protection of the Council in respect of anything that may be said by them in their evidence. (226)
- Witnesses entitled to protection. 229. No Clerk or Officer of the Council, or Shorthand Writer employed to take minutes of evidence before the Council or before any Committee thereof, may give evidence elsewhere in respect of any proceedings or examination had at the Bar or before any Committee of the Council, without the special leave of the Council. (227)
- Evidence of proceedings not to be given elsewhere without leave. 230. When a witness appears before the Council, the President shall examine the witness; and no other Member shall put any question otherwise than through the President. (228) Verbal amendment.
- Witnesses examined by President in Council. 231. When a witness is in custody at the Bar, he shall be examined by the President only. (229) Verbal amendment
- Witness in custody at the Bar. 232. If any question be objected to, or other matter arise, the witness shall withdraw from the Chamber while the same is under discussion. (230)
- Witness withdraws if question objected to. 233. A Member of the Council shall be examined in his place. (231)
- Member examined in his place. 234. In Committee of the whole Council any Member may put questions to the witness. (232)
- Witnesses examined in Committee.

CHAPTER XV.

MESSAGES FROM AND ADDRESSES TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

- Messages, how communicated. 235. A Message, signed by His Excellency the Governor, may be brought to the Council by a Minister of the Crown, being a Member, who shall present it to the President. (233)
- To be read to Council immediately. 236. The President shall immediately read the Message to the Council and, if necessary, a day shall be fixed for taking the same into consideration. (234)

- Verbal message may be communicated by Minister. 237. A verbal Message from His Excellency the Governor may be communicated to the Council by a Minister of the Crown, being a Member. (235)
- Addresses, how presented. 238. Addresses to His Excellency the Governor may be presented by the whole Council, by the President, or by such Members as the Council may name for that purpose. (236)
- When presented by the whole Council. 239. When an Address is ordered to be presented by the whole Council, the President, with the Members, on being admitted to His Excellency the Governor's presence, shall read the Address to His Excellency, the Members who moved and seconded such Address being on his left hand. (237)
- Presentation of joint Address. 240. When it is ordered that an Address in which the Assembly joins the Council be presented by the whole Council, such Address shall be presented by the President and such Members as may be named by the Council, together with the Speaker and the Members appointed by the Assembly. (238)
- Governor's answer to Address presented by the whole Council; 241. His Excellency the Governor's answer to any Address presented by the whole Council shall be reported to the Council by the President. (239)
- to Address presented otherwise than by the whole Council. 242. His Excellency the Governor's answer to any Address presented otherwise than by the President shall be reported to the Council by the Member or one of the Members presenting the same. (240)
- If no order made as to presentation. 243. Unless it be otherwise ordered by the Council, all Addresses to His Excellency the Governor shall be forwarded by the Clerk of the Council. (241)
- Concurrence with other House to be signified by Message. 244. The concurrence of the Council in an Address communicated by the Assembly shall be signified by Message. (242)

CHAPTER XVI.

PETITIONS.

- Time for presenting petitions. 245. No petition shall be presented after the Council has proceeded to the Orders of the Day. (243)
- May be presented by Members only. 246. Petitions can be presented to the Council by a Member only, and no Member can present a petition from himself. (244) The word "only" transposed.
- Petitions to be in English and to be respectful. 247. Every petition shall be in the English language, and shall be respectful, decorous, and temperate in its language. (245)
- Contents of petitions. 248. Every Member presenting a petition shall acquaint himself with the contents thereof, and ascertain that it does not contain language disrespectful to either House of Parliament or violate any of the Standing Orders of the Council, and shall affix his name at the beginning of the petition. (246) Verbal amendment.
- Petitions may be written or printed. 249. Every petition shall be fairly written or printed, or partly written and partly printed. (247)

- To contain a prayer at the end. 250. Every petition must contain a prayer at the end thereof. (248)
- To be signed on the last page. 251. Every petition must be signed by at least one person on the last page thereof. (249)
- To be signed by the parties. 252. Every petition shall be signed by the parties whose names are appended thereto, with their names or marks, and by no one else on their behalf, except in case of incapacity by sickness. (250)
- Signatures not to be transferred. 253. The signatures shall be written upon the petition itself or upon sheets attached thereto, but no individual or single signature shall be pasted upon, or otherwise transferred thereto. (251)
- Petitions of corporations. 254. Petitions of corporations shall be made under their common seal. (252)
- Forgery of signatures. 255. If any person forge the name of any other person to any petition to the Council or affix thereto any fictitious name, he may be declared guilty of contempt. (253) "may be declared guilty of contempt" substituted for "shall be deemed guilty of contempt." Cf. Nos. 141 and 227.
- No letters, &c., to be attached. 256. No letters, affidavits, or other documents may be attached to any petition. (254)
- Debates not to be referred to. 257. No reference shall be made in a petition to any debate in Parliament. (255)
- Members confined to statement of facts in petition. 258. Every Member offering to present a petition to the Council, not being a petition for a private Bill, or relating to a private Bill before the Council, shall confine himself to a statement of the parties from whom it comes, of the number of signatures attached to it, and of the material allegations contained in it, and to the reading of the prayer of such petition. (256)
- Not to be debated, but may be read by the Clerk. 259. Every such petition not containing matter in breach of the privileges of the Council, and which according to the rules or usual practice of the Council can be received, shall be handed to the Clerk at the Table, and the President shall not allow any debate upon or in relation to such petition; but it may be read by the Clerk if required. (257)
- Petitions complaining of grievances. 260. In the case of such petition complaining of some present personal grievance for which there may be an urgent necessity for providing an immediate remedy, the matter contained in such petition may be brought into discussion on the presentation thereof. (258)
- Petition for grant of money cannot be received. 261. No petition the prayer of which is for a distinct grant of money shall be received by the Council. (259)

CHAPTER XVII.

BILLS.

- Bills, how initiated. 262. Every Bill (except Bills brought from the Assembly) shall be brought in upon motion made and question put "That leave be given to bring in such Bill." (260)
- Bill to be presented by a Member. 263. A Bill shall be presented by the Member who has obtained leave to bring in the same, and immediately after its presentation its first reading shall be proposed. (261)

- First reading and printing without debate. 264. When any Bill is presented by a Member, or is brought up from the Assembly, the questions "That this Bill be now read a first time" and "That the Bill be printed" shall be decided without amendment or debate. (262) Verbal amendment.
- Day fixed for second reading. 265. When a Bill has been read a first time, its second reading shall be made an Order of the Day for a future day. (263)
- Second reading. 266. On the Order of the Day being read for the second reading of a Bill, the question shall be put "That the Bill be now read a second time." (264)
- Amendments to question for second reading. 267. Amendments may be moved to such question by leaving out "now," and inserting any other time; or that the Bill be laid aside or be rejected. (265)
- Amendments to be relevant. 268. No other amendment may be moved to such question, unless the same be strictly relevant to the Bill. (266)
- Bill committed. 269. A Bill, having been read a second time, may be ordered to be committed to a Committee of the whole Council or to a Select Committee. (267)
- Committee of the whole Council on the Bill. 270. On the Order of the Day being read for the Committee on a Bill, the President shall put the question "That I do now leave the Chair," which being resolved in the affirmative, the Council resolves itself into a Committee of the whole Council on the Bill. (268)
- When progress has been reported. 271. On the Order of the Day being read for the further consideration in Committee of a Bill on which progress has been reported, the President shall leave the Chair without putting any question. (269) Redrafted.
- Amendments to the question for the President to leave the Chair. 272. An amendment may be moved to the question "That the President do now leave the Chair" by leaving out all the words after the word "That" in order to add the words "this Council will, on (*some future day*), resolve itself into the said Committee." (270)
- Preamble postponed. 273. In Committee on a Bill the preamble shall stand postponed until after the consideration of the rest of the Bill without question put. (272)
- Amendment must be relevant, &c. 274. Any amendment may be made to a clause, provided the same be relevant to the subject-matter of the Bill or pursuant to an instruction, and be otherwise in conformity with the rules and orders of the Council; but if any such amendment be not within the title of the Bill, the Committee shall extend the title accordingly, and report the same specially to the Council. (273)
- Each clause to be put. 275. A question shall be put "That each clause stand part of the Bill" or "That each clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill" or "That certain clauses stand part of the Bill." (274)
- When clause may be discussed. 276. When the Chairman has called out the number of a clause, and the marginal note or the clause has been read, such clause shall be open for discussion and amendment, and when the debate has terminated the Chairman shall put the question "That the clause [*or the clause as amended*] stand part of the Bill." (275)
- Clause may be postponed. 277. Any clause may be postponed, although the same has already been amended. (276)

- When new clauses to be proposed. 278. New clauses relevant to the subject-matter of the Bill, or pursuant to any instruction, shall be proposed after the clauses in the Bill have been considered and before the schedules, if any, are proposed, unless the Committee otherwise direct. (277)
- Preamble to be put. 279. After every clause and schedule has been agreed to, the preamble shall be considered and, if necessary, amended; and a question shall be put "That the preamble, or the preamble as amended (as the case may be), stand part of the Bill." (278)
- Proceedings in Committee not to be noticed until reported. 280. No notice may be taken of any proceedings of a Committee of the whole Council, or of a Select Committee on a Bill, until such proceedings or Bill have been reported. (279) Verbal amendments.
- Bill to be reported. 281. When the Bill has been fully considered, the Chairman shall be directed to report the Bill, with or without amendment, to the Council. (280)
- Time fixed for consideration of Report. 282. At the close of the proceedings of a Committee of the whole Council on a Bill, the Chairman shall report the Bill forthwith to the Council, and a time shall be appointed for taking such Report into consideration. (281)
- If reported without amendment. 283. A Bill reported without amendment may be ordered to be read a third time at such time as may be appointed by the Council. (282)
- Bill may be re-committed. 284. After a Bill has been reported to the Council such Bill, or any specified clause or clauses thereof, may be ordered to be re-committed to a Committee of the whole, either upon the same or upon any future day, or the Bill may be ordered to be committed to a Select Committee. (283)
- Order for third reading discharged. 285. The Order of the Day for the third reading of a Bill may be read and discharged, and the Bill, or any specified clause or clauses thereof, ordered to be re-committed to a Committee of the whole, or the Bill may be ordered to be committed to a Select Committee. (284) Verbal amendments.
- Third reading. 286. On the Order of the Day being read for the third reading of a Bill, the question shall be put "That the Bill be now read a third time," to which amendments may be moved as on the second reading. (285) Verbal amendment.
- Verbal or consequential amendments made. 287. After a Bill has been read a third time, verbal or consequential amendments, and none other, may be made. (286)
- Further proceedings on third reading adjourned. 288. The further proceedings on a third reading may be adjourned to a future day. (287)
- Bill passed and title agreed to. 289. After the third reading, and further proceedings thereon, the question shall be put "That this Bill do pass"; after which the title of the Bill shall be agreed to, or amended and agreed to. (288)
- Urgent bills. 290. Bills of an urgent nature may be passed with unusual expedition through their several stages. (289)
- Bill sent to Assembly. 291. When a Bill originated in the Council has been agreed to, such Bill shall be ordered to be transmitted to the Assembly and their concurrence desired. (290) Verbal amendments.

Assembly
amend-
ments,
how dealt
with.

292. When a Bill is returned from the Assembly with any clause or portion of a clause struck out, or with any other amendments, such amendments shall be read and agreed to, or agreed to with amendments, or disagreed with, or disagreed with but an amendment or amendments made, or the further consideration thereof put off to some future day, or the Bill ordered to be laid aside or rejected.

(291) Amended to agree with the practice.

When to be
considered.

293. Amendments by the Assembly to Bills originated in the Council shall be appointed to be considered on a future day unless the Council order them to be considered forthwith.

(292) Verbal amendment.

Assembly
Bill
returned
with amend-
ments.

294. When a Bill originated in the Assembly has been agreed to by the Council with amendments, such Bill with the amendments attached thereto shall be returned to the Assembly and their concurrence desired in such amendments.

(293)

Assembly
Bill agreed
to without
amendment.

295. When a Bill originated in the Assembly has been agreed to by the Council without amendment, a Message shall be transmitted to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

(294)

Amendment
proposed by
Governor,
how dealt
with.

296. Whenever His Excellency the Governor desires any amendment to be made in a Bill originated in the Council and presented to him for His Majesty's assent, and transmits such amendment by Message to the Council, the amendment shall be agreed to or not agreed to by the Council, but no amendment shall be proposed therein.

(295)

Verbal amendments to bring Nos. 294 to 298 into uniformity.

Governor's
amendment
when agreed
to is sent to
Assembly.

297. When the Council have agreed to any amendment desired by His Excellency the Governor as aforesaid, such amendment shall be transmitted by Message to the Assembly for their concurrence.

(296)

If
Governor's
amendment
transmitted
by
Assembly.

298. Whenever the Assembly have agreed to any amendment desired by His Excellency the Governor to be made in a Bill originated in the Assembly, and transmit such amendment to the Council, the amendment shall be agreed to or not agreed to by the Council, but no amendment shall be proposed therein.

(297)

Bills altering
Constitution
Act. how
certified.

299. Whenever any Bill for repealing, altering, or varying all or any of the provisions of *The Constitution Act*, and for substituting others in lieu thereof, has passed its second and third readings in the Council with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Council, the Clerk, or other proper officer of the Council, shall certify the fact on the Bill accordingly.

(298)

Clerk may
correct
errors.

300. Clerical or typographical errors may be corrected in any part of a Bill by the Clerk after such Bill has been read a third time and passed, and the Clerk shall forthwith inform the Council what errors he has corrected.

(299)

CHAPTER XVIII.

ACCOUNTS, PAPERS, AND PRINTING.

Accounts,
&c., ordered.

301. The Council may order that accounts and papers be laid before it and may, if it think fit, direct the same to be printed.

(300)

Addresses
for papers.

302. When the Royal prerogative is concerned in any account or paper, an Address shall be presented to His Excellency the Governor praying that the same may be laid before the Council.

(301)

- Papers presented by command or pursuant to Statute. 303. Other papers may be presented by command of His Excellency the Governor, or pursuant to Statute. (302)
- Printing Committee to be appointed. 304. At the commencement of each Session, a Select Committee shall be appointed to consider and order upon all matters which relate to the printing to be executed by order of the Council, and for the purpose of selecting and arranging for printing returns and papers presented in pursuance of motions made by Members. (303)
- Papers presented by Members. 305. When any account or paper is presented by a Member, it shall be delivered to the Clerk of the Council. (304)
- Papers to be deposited with the Clerk. 306. Accounts and other papers which are required to be laid before the Council by any Act of Parliament, or by any order of the Council, may be deposited with the Clerk, and the same shall be laid on the Table, and a list of such accounts and papers read by the Clerk. (305)
- Accounts and Papers ordered to lie on the Table. 307. Every account and paper not presented pursuant to any Act of Parliament shall be ordered to lie upon the Table. (306) Verbal amendment.

CHAPTER XIX.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- When practice of House of Commons to be resorted to. 308. In all cases not herein provided for, resort shall be had to the Rules, Forms, Usages, and Practice of the Commons House of Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, which shall be followed so far as the same may be applicable to this Council or any Committee thereof and not inconsistent with the foregoing Rules. (307)
- Standing Orders may be suspended. 309. The foregoing Rules and Orders, or any of them, may at any time be suspended or dispensed with by the Council, but (except by leave of the Council or on the ground of urgency) no motion shall be made to dispense with any such Rule or Order without due notice thereof. The question of urgency may be decided by the Council upon motion without notice or debate. (308) The words "or on the ground of urgency" and "The question of urgency debate" have been inserted.
- Interpretation of "Leave of the Council." 310. In these Standing Orders, the expression "leave of the Council" shall mean the leave of the Council granted without any negative voice. (309)

STANDING ORDERS

RELATING TO

PRIVATE BILLS.

How Private Bills initiated.

311. Until Special Standing Orders for the initiation of private Bills have been adopted, the Council will not enter on the consideration of any private Bill which has not first been considered by the Assembly and referred by that body for the concurrence of the Council.

(310) Verbal amendments.

If Proceedings of Assembly Select Committee sent.

312. Every private Bill sent up from the Assembly, if accompanied by a printed copy of the Report and Proceedings of the Select Committee of that House to which it has been referred, shall be dealt with in the same manner as a public Bill, and shall not be referred to a Select Committee of the Council, unless the same shall be opposed, and then only by motion on notice to be made before the second reading.

(311) Verbal amendment.

If Proceedings of Assembly Committee not sent.

313. Every private Bill sent up from the Assembly, if not accompanied by a printed copy of the Report and Proceedings of a Select Committee of that House—

- (a) may be referred to a Select Committee ;
- (b) may be ordered to be dealt with as a public Bill ; or
- (c) may be ordered to be dealt with as a public Bill except in relation to the payment of fees.

New Standing Order embodying the practice in the Council. No provision in existing Standing Orders to meet this case.

Members of Select Committee on private Bills balloted for.

314. Every Select Committee on private Bills shall consist of five Members, to be chosen by ballot, who shall choose their own Chairman, and of whom three shall form a quorum.

(312) Verbal amendments.

Attendance of Members compulsory.

315. Every Member of such Committee of five shall attend the proceedings of the Committee during the whole continuance thereof.

(313) Verbal amendments.

Personal interest a ground of exemption.

316. Members shall be exempted from serving on the Committee on any private Bill where they have any interest.

(314) Verbal amendments.

Members specially excused.

317. Members may be excused from serving for any special reason, to be approved of in each case by the Council.

(315) Verbal amendments.

Absence of Member a ground for adjournment.

318. If any Member of such Committee is prevented from continuing his attendance, the Committee shall adjourn, and report the cause of such Member absenting himself to the Council, if then sitting, or at its next meeting, and shall not resume its sittings without leave of the Council.

(316) Verbal amendments.

Declaration to be signed by Member.

319. Each Member of a Select Committee on a private Bill, before he shall be entitled to attend and vote thereon, shall sign a declaration that he has no personal interest in the Bill, and that he will never vote on any question which may arise in the Committee without having duly heard and attended to the evidence relating thereto.

(317) Verbal amendments.

Notice to be given of meeting.

320. Three clear days' notice shall be given of the meeting of such Committee.

(318) Verbal amendments.

Time of sitting.

321. Such Committee shall meet on each consecutive sitting day from eleven o'clock to three o'clock.

(319) Verbal amendments.

- Petitions against Private Bills. 322. Upon petition, praying to be heard on the merits against any Bill, leave may be given to the Select Committee to hear the petitioners in person, by counsel or agents, and to receive such evidence as may be tendered, and the promoter shall be similarly entitled to reply thereto, if he think proper, and to adduce rebutting evidence: Provided always that such petition be presented to the Council before the third day on which the Council shall sit after the day such Bill has been brought by Message from the Assembly: Provided also that it set forth specifically the objections of the petitioners to the said Bill, and be otherwise in strict conformity with the rules of the Council. (320) Verbal amendments.
- Chairman to report to the House. 323. The Chairman of every Select Committee shall make a Report to the Council on each several Bill referred for their consideration, and shall annex thereunto the Minutes of the Committee. (321) Verbal amendments.
- Private Bills not to be read a second time until six days after Report. 324. No private Bill which has been referred to a Select Committee shall be read a second time sooner than the sixth sitting day after the Report from the Select Committee has been brought up. (322) Verbal amendments.
- Fee to be paid to Treasury before first reading. 325. Before any private Bill is read a first time in the Council, a sum of Twenty pounds shall be paid into the Treasury for the public uses of the State to meet the expenses of such Bill; and a certificate of that sum having been paid, to be filed with the Clerk, shall be produced by the Member having charge of the Bill. And the promoter of the Bill shall also furnish at his own cost fifty fair printed copies of the same, and the same number of copies of any amended Bill, for the use of Members, three clear days before the same shall be considered. (323) Verbal amendments.
- Copies of Bill to be provided by promoters. 326. No private Bill shall pass through more than one stage on one and the same day. (324) Verbal amendments.
- Private Bills pass only one stage in one day. Presentation for Royal Assent, and publication. 327. Every private Bill which has passed the two Houses of Parliament shall be presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, and be numbered and published as a public Bill; and the expenses attending such publication shall be ascertained by the Clerk of the Parliaments, and be paid by the promoters of the Bill into the Treasury for the public uses of the State before such Bill is presented for the Royal Assent. (325) Verbal amendments.
- Copies of plans, &c., to be furnished before second reading. 328. Every promoter of a private Bill shall, at least ten days before the same is set down for the second reading, furnish to the Clerk of the Council attested copies of all plans, sections, books of reference, estimates, and subscription contracts, or declarations in lieu of subscription contracts, laid before the Assembly in pursuance of the Standing Orders of that House, and the Clerk of the Council shall give a receipt for the same in which the several documents shall be distinctly specified, which receipt the Member having charge of the Bill shall produce to the Council before the Bill is set down for the second reading. (326) Verbal amendments.
- Parliamentary agents, &c., responsible, and may be prohibited from practising. 329. Every parliamentary agent and solicitor shall be considered personally responsible to the Council and to the President for any wilful violation of the rules, orders, and practice of Parliament; and for any such violation, or for any other wilful misconduct in prosecuting any proceeding before Parliament, shall be liable to an absolute or temporary prohibition to practise as a parliamentary agent before the Council at the pleasure of the President: Provided that, upon the application of such agent, the President shall state in writing the grounds of such prohibition. (327) Verbal amendments.

Petitioners
against Private
Bills to
lodge a sum
of money.

330. Before the prayer of any Petition to be heard on the merits against any private Bill is granted, the petitioner shall deposit with the President a sum of Fifty pounds, to be disposed of according to the decision of the Committee as hereinafter provided.

(328) Verbal amendments.

Application
of money
lodged by
petitioners

331. It shall be competent for the Committee to order the return of the said deposit or of any part thereof to the petitioner, or to order that the same be paid into the Treasury for the public uses of the State, or to direct that it be paid over to the promoters of the Bill provided that the opposition should, in the judgment of the Committee, appear to have been frivolous.

(329) Verbal amendments.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

JOINT SITTING

OF THE

HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT OF THE STATE OF VICTORIA

TO CHOOSE A PERSON

TO

HOLD THE PLACE IN THE SENATE

RENDERED VACANT BY THE

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER.

TUESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1924.

The Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly having, pursuant to resolution, assembled in the Legislative Assembly Chamber:—

1. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.—The Honorable John Bowser, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, rose and moved—"That the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke, President of the Legislative Council, be appointed President of this Joint Sitting," which motion, being seconded by the Honorable J. Sternberg, M.L.C., was unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable F. G. Clarke, having expressed his acknowledgments for the honour which had been conferred upon him, then took the Chair.

2. RULES OF PROCEDURE.—The Attorney-General, the Honorable W. Slater, M.L.A., submitted rules of procedure for the consideration of honorable members as follows:—

1. On any debate arising the same shall be conducted according to parliamentary usage.

2. A Member, addressing himself to the President, shall propose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker, and such proposition shall be duly seconded. When any person is so proposed his proposer shall state to the Members present that such person is willing to hold the vacant place if chosen.

3. If only one person be proposed and seconded the President shall declare—"That has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker."

4. If more than one person be proposed and seconded the person to hold the vacant place shall, subject to the following rules, be chosen by ballot.

5. Before giving directions to proceed with the ballot, the President shall ask if any Member desires to propose any other person to hold the vacant place, and, no other person being proposed, the ballot shall be proceeded with, after which no person shall be proposed.

6. Each Member present shall be provided with a ballot-paper certified by the Clerks of the two Houses, and shall write thereon the name of one of the persons duly proposed, and shall place his ballot-paper in the ballot-box.

7. If two or more persons be proposed and seconded the proposer of each of such persons shall name some Member present to be a scrutineer. The scrutineers, with the Clerks of the two Houses, shall retire and ascertain the number of votes for each person; and the scrutineers shall make a written report of the result to the President.

8. No informal vote shall be taken into account.

9. If on the first ballot no person shall have received an absolute majority of the votes polled a second ballot shall be taken, and the name of the person who shall have received the fewest votes at the first ballot shall be excluded; but if at the first ballot the names of only two persons be submitted, and the number of votes for such persons be equal, the scrutineers shall by drawing lots determine which of such persons shall be chosen to hold the vacant place, and the person whose name shall be first drawn shall be deemed to have been duly chosen.

10. Until one of the persons proposed obtains an absolute majority of the votes polled, or (as the case may be) is chosen by lot to hold the vacant place, successive ballots shall be taken, and at each such ballot the name of the person who shall have the fewest votes at the preceding ballot shall be excluded.

11. If on any ballot it shall be necessary to decide between two or more persons as to which one is to be excluded from a subsequent ballot through the number of votes for such persons being equal, a special ballot shall be taken at which the names of only those persons shall be submitted, and the name of the person having the fewest votes at such special ballot shall be excluded; but if on any special ballot it shall be necessary to decide between two or more persons as to which one is to be excluded from a subsequent ballot through the number of votes for such persons being equal, the scrutineers by drawing lots shall determine which one of such persons shall be excluded, and the name of the person last drawn shall be excluded.

12. If at any ballot, other than the first ballot or a special ballot hereinbefore provided for, the names of only two persons be submitted, and the number of votes for such persons be equal, the scrutineers shall, by drawing lots, determine which of those persons shall be chosen to hold the vacant place, and the person whose name shall be first drawn shall be deemed to have been duly chosen.

13. As soon as any person obtains an absolute majority of the votes polled, or (as the case may be) is chosen by lot to hold the vacant place, the President shall declare—"That has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker."

14. The President shall in all cases be entitled to a vote.

15. The records of the proceedings and the ballot-papers shall be retained by the Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of Victoria, who shall be the custodian thereof, and shall keep the ballot-papers safely for one year, and thereafter destroy them.

Rules 1 to 15 inclusive put seriatim, and agreed to.

- 3. PERSONS PROPOSED TO HOLD THE VACANT PLACE IN THE SENATE.**—The President announced that, the rules having been adopted, he was now prepared to receive proposals from any honorable member with regard to a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker.

The Premier, the Honorable G. M. Prendergast, M.L.A., proposed Joseph Francis Hannan, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named the Honorable G. C. Webber, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable J. P. Jones, M.L.C.

The Honorable J. Allan, M.L.A., proposed Andrew William Henry White, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named Colonel M. W. J. Bouchier, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable A. Downward, M.L.A.

The Honorable M. Baird, M.L.A., proposed ex-Senator Lieutenant-Colonel William Kinsey Bolton as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named O. R. Snowball, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by O. R. Snowball, Esquire, M.L.A.

The Honorable J. Gordon, M.L.A., proposed ex-Senator William Plain as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named the Honorable A. E. Chandler, M.L.C., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable M. McGregor, M.L.C.

The Honorable D. S. Oman, M.L.A., proposed the Honorable Hugh McKenzie as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named the Honorable Dr. S. S. Argyle, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable H. Beardmore, M.L.A.

The Honorable R. Williams, M.L.C., and the Honorable H. S. W. Lawson, M.L.A., addressed honorable members.

- 4. BALLOTS.**—The President having asked if any Member desired to propose any other person to hold the vacant place, and no other person being proposed, the President declared that the period for proposing persons had closed, and directed the ballots to be proceeded with, the names of the persons proposed, in the order in which they were proposed, being :—

HANNAN, J. F.
WHITE, A. W. H.
BOLTON, W. K.
PLAIN, W.
McKENZIE, H.

Ballot-papers duly certified by the Clerks of the two Houses were issued to honorable members before each ballot, and such ballot-papers when filled in were deposited in the ballot-box.

At the conclusion of each ballot the scrutineers, with the Clerks of the two Houses, made a scrutiny of the number of votes received by each person, and the written report of the scrutineers was handed to the President.

- 5. RESULT OF BALLOTS.**—The result of each ballot, as reported by the scrutineers, and the declaration of the President thereon, were as follows :—

First Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the first ballot, 89 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. Bolton obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. Bolton's name excluded from the second ballot.

Second Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the second ballot, 89 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. McKenzie obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. McKenzie's name excluded from the third ballot.

Third Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the third ballot, 89 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. White obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. White's name excluded from the fourth ballot.

Fourth Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the fourth ballot, 89 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

Mr. Joseph Francis Hannan obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

The President thereupon declared that Joseph Francis Hannan, Esquire, having obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled, had been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker.

6. NOTIFICATION TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Premier, the Honorable G. M. Prendergast, M.L.A., moved, That the President be requested to inform His Excellency the Governor that Joseph Francis Hannan, Esquire, has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Stephen Barker.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT.—The Premier, the Honorable G. M. Prendergast, M.L.A., moved a vote of thanks to the President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable H. F. Richardson, M.L.C., and carried unanimously.

The President having returned thanks, declared the Joint Sitting closed.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

W. R. ALEXANDER,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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