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- CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 3):** Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one—(*Mr. Shiels*).—House resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means; matter considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 28 Aug., 1900, p. 92. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 4 Sept., p. 103. (*Assented to 29 August. Act No. 1663.*)
- CREMATION:** Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate Cremation and for other purposes*"—(*Mr. Watt*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 14 Aug., 1900, p. 54.—Bill lapsed.
- DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Dairying Companies Act 1900*—(*Mr. Brown*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 19; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said—"In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion (by leave), That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Sept., p. 130. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 9 Oct., p. 188. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1673.*)
- EARLY CLOSING (SHOPS):** Bill providing for the early closing of shops—(*Mr. Mauger*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 5 Sept., 1900, p. 107.—Bill lapsed.
- EIGHT HOURS LEGALIZATION:** Bill to make eight hours a legal day's work—(*Mr. Beazley* for *Mr. Methven*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Aug., 1900, p. 49.—Bill lapsed.
- ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY):** Bill relating to the electoral rolls for the Legislative Assembly—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 12 Sept., 1900, p. 111; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 13 Sept., p. 115. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 2 Oct., p. 175. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1670.*)
- ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 FURTHER AMENDMENT:** Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896'*"—(*Mr. Irvine*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 21 Aug., 1900, p. 59; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 5 Sept., p. 105; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 11 Sept., p. 110; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council, 12 Sept., pp. 111–12. Message

from the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Assembly, and have agreed to another of the said amendments with amendments, 2 Oct., p. 174; amendments considered—some of the Council's amendments in new clause B (as inserted by the Assembly) agreed to and others disagreed with, and consequential amendments made in the clause, 5 Oct., p. 184. Message from the Council that they have agreed to one of the Assembly's consequential amendments in clause B, that they insist on their amendments in the said clause disagreed with by the Assembly, and have disagreed with the Assembly's consequential amendments on the said amendments; amendments in clause B disagreed with by the Council insisted on, but amendments made in the Assembly's consequential amendments in the said clause, 12 Oct., pp. 253-4. Message from the Council that they still insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly and disagree with the Assembly's consequential amendments; disagreement with the amendments insisted on in clause B by the Council not now insisted on, 12 Oct., pp. 255-6. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1694.*)

FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION: Bill relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 July, 1900, p. 27; read a second time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly, and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 2 Oct., p. 175. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 10 Oct., p. 227.—Bill reserved for the significance of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, 17 Oct.

FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES: Bill for determining the divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen, and the number of Members for each division—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 16; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 26 July, p. 37; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 31 July, p. 41; 2 Aug., p. 46; 7 Aug., p. 48; 8 Aug., p. 49; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 9 Aug., p. 51. Order for consideration of report read and, on division, discharged and Bill recommitted; reconsidered in Committee, 15 Aug., pp. 55-6; further considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, 16 Aug., p. 57; order made for further consideration, 13 Sept., p. 115; further considered in Committee and reported with further amendments, 18 Sept., p. 118; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments, and the Clerk authorized to alter the numbering and order of the electorates as set forth in the Schedule, so as to arrange the several electorates alphabetically; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 19 Sept., pp. 120-21. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 26 Sept., p. 131. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1667.*)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Friendly Societies Act 1890*—(*Mr. Beazley*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 10 July, 1900 p. 19; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., p. 247. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 252. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1686.*)

GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the *Game Act 1890*—(*Mr. Higgins for Mr. Gurr*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Aug., 1900, p. 50.—Bill lapsed.

GEELONG LANDS SALE: Bill to provide for the sale of certain lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes—(*Mr. McColl*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 4 Oct., 1900, p. 181. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 18) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 9 Oct., p. 189. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 11 Oct., p. 243. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1680.*)

GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING: Bill to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease buildings erected on the general market site for other than market purposes—(*Mr. Higgins*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 16; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said—"In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion (by leave), That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Sept., p. 130. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 9 Oct., p. 187. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1674.*)

GIPPSLAND EAST EDUCATION ENDOWMENT RESERVES REVOCATION: Bill to revoke certain reservations of land made for educational endowment in the Electoral District of Gippsland East—(*Mr. Foster*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 July, 1900, p. 26.—Bill lapsed.

HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the law relating to hackney carriages—(*Mr. Maloney for Mr. Bromley*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.

- HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT**: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Hospitals and Charities Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. Shiels*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 4 Sept., 1900, p. 103; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment, 11 Oct., p. 244. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1683.*)
- HOUSE ESTATE AND FINANCIAL AGENTS LICENSING**: Bill to license house, estate, and all other commission agents, valuers, financial agents, and money lenders—(*Mr. Duggan for Mr. O'Neill*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17.—Bill lapsed.
- INSOLVENCY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT**: Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency*"—(*Mr. Irvine*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 21 Aug., 1900, p. 59. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 12 Oct., p. 247.
- JURORS EXEMPTION**: Bill exempting commercial travellers and country auctioneers from serving on juries—(*Mr. Brown*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 19.—Bill lapsed.
- JUVENILE SMOKERS RESTRICTION**: Bill to restrict and prohibit the use of tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes by juvenile members of the community—(*Mr. Duggan for Mr. O'Neill*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17.—Bill lapsed.
- LAND ACT 1898 AMENDMENT**: Bill to amend the *Land Act 1898*—(*Mr. Bailes*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 July, 1900, p. 22.—Bill lapsed.
- LAND ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT**: Bill to further amend the Land Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. McColl*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 Aug., 1900, p. 57. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 14) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 25 Sept., pp. 126-7. Order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 12 Oct., p. 247.
- LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT**: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Licensing Act 1890'*"—(*Mr. Gavan Duffy*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 2 Oct., 1900, p. 174.—Bill lapsed.
- LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT**: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes*"—(*Mr. Irvine*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 31 July, 1900, p. 40; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 11 Sept., p. 110; 19 Sept., p. 121; further considered and reported with amendments, 20 Sept., p. 124; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill further amended; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council, 25 Sept., p. 128. Message from the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Assembly, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to some of the said amendments with amendments, 3 Oct., p. 178; amendments considered—the Council's amendments on the Assembly's amendments agreed to, the Assembly's amendment in clause 3 disagreed with by the Council insisted on but a consequential amendment made therein, 10 Oct., pp. 228-9. Message from the Council that they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Assembly and that they have agreed to the Assembly's consequential amendment in the said amendment, 11 Oct., p. 245. Message from the Council transmitting a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending certain amendments in the Bill to which the Council had agreed, and desired the concurrence of the Assembly; amendments agreed to, 17 Oct., p. 258. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1699.*)
- MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT**: Bill to further amend the *Marriage Act 1890*—(*Mr. Maloney*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 17 July, 1900, p. 23; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 18 July, p. 26; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Sept., p. 112. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 9 Oct., p. 188; amendments considered and agreed to, 11 Oct., p. 244. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1684.*)
- MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY'S ACT 1883 FURTHER AMENDMENT**: Bill to further amend *The Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Act 1883*—(*Mr. Maloney*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17.—Bill lapsed.
- MINES ACT 1897 AMENDMENT**: Bill to amend the *Mines Act 1897*—(*Mr. Hamilton*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17.—Bill lapsed.
- MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION**: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Moe to Walhalla—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 5 Sept., 1900, p. 105; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 20 Sept., p. 124. Message from the Council agreeing to the

Bill with an amendment, 3 Oct., p. 178 ; amendment considered—motion, That as the proposed amendment involves an alteration in an appropriation made by this House of public moneys, this House declines to entertain the same, and that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message to that effect—question resolved in the affirmative, 9 Oct., pp. 188–9. Message from the Council that they are of opinion that they have the undoubted right to make the amendment in clause 5 of the Bill as transmitted to the Legislative Assembly on the 3rd of October, and that they insist on the said amendment, 11 Oct., p. 246 ; order for consideration of the Council's Message read ; motion, That this House adheres to the decision already arrived at embodied in a Message to the Legislative Council, that it declines to entertain the amendment referred to therein upon the ground stated in such Message, and directs the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message of the Legislative Council insisting upon the proposed amendment to be discharged—question resolved in the affirmative ; Order of the Day thereupon discharged, 12 Oct., p. 249.—Bill lapsed.

MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION (BILL No. 2) : Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Moe to Walhalla—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., 1900, pp. 250–51. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 255. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1691.*)

MOOROPNA RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE : Bill to authorize the sale of the Mooropna Race-course Reserve—(*Mr. Morrissey*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1900, p. 51.—Bill lapsed.

MUNICIPALITIES RECLASSIFICATION : Bill relating to municipal endowment and the classification of municipal districts—(*Mr. Graham*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 7) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 2 Aug., 1900, p. 45. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 12 Oct., p. 247.

MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY : Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890*—(*Mr. Graham*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 4 Sept., 1900, p. 103 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 2 Oct., p. 175. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with an amendment ; amendment agreed to, 9 Oct., p. 188. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1675.*)

NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION : Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Newtown to Pitfield—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 11 July, 1900, p. 21 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 31 July, p. 40. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 4 Sept., p. 103. (*Assented to 26 September. Act No. 1664.*)

NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION : Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria—(*Mr. Cook*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 18 ; read a second time, on division, and committed ; considered in Committee, 15 Aug., p. 56 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 26 Sept., p. 130.—Bill lapsed.

NORTHCOTE TRAMWAY EXTENSION : Bill to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway—(*Mr. Graham*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 27 Sept., 1900, p. 133 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 5 Oct., p. 184. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with an amendment ; amendment agreed to, 10 Oct., p. 227. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1678.*)

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS : Bill relating to election expenses, preferential voting, and proportional representation—(*Sir George Turner for Mr. Best*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 16 Aug., 1900, p. 57 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 28 Aug., p. 93.—Bill lapsed.

POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT : Bill to further amend the *Police Offences Act 1890*—(*Mr. Graves*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Aug., 1900, p. 49.—Bill lapsed.

PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH : Bill to provide for the improvement of the approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge—(*Mr. McColli*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 Sept., 1900, p. 126 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 5 Oct., p. 184. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 11 Oct., p. 245. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1681.*)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS : Bill to regulate the profession of public accountants—(*Mr. Best for Mr. Fink*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.

- PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS:** Bill intituled "*Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays*"—(*Mr. Irvine*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 31 July, 1900, p. 40; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same, 21 Aug., p. 61. (*Assented to 29 August. Act 1661.*)
- PUBLIC SERVICE RECLASSIFICATION:** Bill providing for the reclassification of the Public Service and for other purposes—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 4 Sept., 1900, p. 102; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—question, on division, negatived, 11 Oct., p. 245.
- PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE:** Bill to establish a Public Trust Office in Victoria—(*Mr. Maloney*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 18.—Bill lapsed.
- PUBLIC WORKS LOANS APPLICATION:** Bill to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for public works and other purposes—(*Mr. Irvine* for *Mr. Shiels*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 Sept., 1900, p. 126; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., p. 250. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 251. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1689.*)
- RAILWAY LOAN:** Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways and for other purposes—(*Mr. Shiels*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 3) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 July, 1900, p. 28; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 24 July, p. 30. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 31 July, p. 41. (*Assented to 7 August. Act No. 1659.*)
- RAILWAY LOANS APPLICATION:** Bill to authorize the expenditure of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways—(*Mr. Irvine* for *Mr. Shiels*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 Sept., 1900, p. 126; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., p. 250. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 255. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1690.*)
- RAILWAY LOCAL RATES:** Bill relating to the charging of local rates on certain lines of railway—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 3 Oct., 1900, p. 178; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 4 Oct., p. 181. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 11 Oct., p. 243. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 22) recommending certain amendments in the Bill; amendments agreed to; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendments recommended therein, 17 Oct., p. 259. Message from the Council agreeing thereto, 17 Oct., p. 259. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1695.*)
- RAILWAYS ACTS AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the Railways Acts and for other purposes—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 21 Aug., 1900, p. 60. Order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 12 Oct., p. 247.
- REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT:** Bill to further amend the *Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890*—(*Mr. Maloney*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 16; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 18 July, p. 26; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Sept., p. 113.—Bill not returned from the Council.
- REGISTRATION OF FIRMS ACT 1892 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Registration of Firms Act 1892*—(*Mr. Higgins*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Aug., 1900, p. 50.—Bill lapsed.
- RETURNED SOLDIERS PUBLIC SERVICE:** Bill to enable returned Victorian soldiers to be appointed to the Public Service—(*Mr. McGregor*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 8 Aug., 1900, p. 50.—Bill lapsed.
- ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *St. Kilda Loan Act 1893*—(*Sir George Turner*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said—"In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion (by leave), That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Sept., pp. 112-13. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 2 Oct., p. 174. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1668.*)
- SALTWATER RIVER BRIDGE:** Bill relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River—(*Mr. Graham*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 11 Oct., 1900, p. 243; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said—"In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion

- (by leave), That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered that the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., p. 249. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 252. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1687.*)
- SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE :** Bill relating to Military service in South Africa by members of the Police Force or Public Service—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 July, 1900, p. 21; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 25 July, p. 35. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 4 Sept., p. 104 ; amendments considered—some agreed to and one agreed to with amendments, 5 Sept., p. 106. Message from the Council agreeing to the amendments on one of their amendments, 19 Sept., p. 120. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1666.*)
- STOCK AND SHARE BROKERS LICENSING :** Bill to license stock and share brokers—(*Mr. Duggan for Mr. O'Neill*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17.—Bill lapsed.
- STREET FREQUENTING CHILDREN RESTRICTION :** Bill to restrict and prohibit children under the age of fourteen years being in the streets after nine o'clock—(*Mr. Duggan for Mr. O'Neill*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 17.—Bill lapsed.
- SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT :** Bill to further amend the *Supreme Court Act 1890*—(*Mr. Irvine*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 27 June, 1900, p. 4; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 25 July, p. 35; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 July, p. 37. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 28 Aug., p. 92; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, and one agreed to with amendments, 5 Sept., pp. 106-7. Message from the Council that they insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, that they do not insist on another, and that they have agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on an amendment of the Council, 19 Sept., p. 120; amendment to omit clause 5 insisted on by the Council considered and disagreement therewith insisted on, but an amendment made in the clause, 26 Sept., p. 129. Message from the Council that they still insist on their amendment, 3 Oct., p. 178; amendment considered and disagreement therewith insisted on, 5 Oct., p. 185. Message from the Council that they do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 5, and have agreed to the Assembly's amendment in the said clause with amendments; Council's amendments on the Assembly's amendment in clause 5 disagreed with, and, as a consequential amendment, clause 5 omitted, 12 Oct., pp. 252-3. Message from the Council agreeing to the omission of clause 5, 12 Oct., p. 254. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 21) recommending an amendment in the Bill; amendment agreed to ; ordered, That the Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendment recommended therein; Message from the Council agreeing thereto, 17 Oct., p. 259. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1696.*)
- SURPLUS REVENUE :** Bill relating to the surplus revenue of the financial year ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred—(*Mr. Shiels*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 29 Aug., 1900, p. 95. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 15) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to ; Bill read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 25 Sept., p. 127. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 3 Oct., p. 178. (*Assented to 8 October. Act No. 1671.*)
- TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION :** Bill to regulate the traffic of traction engines—(*Mr. Sterry*).—Bill initiated and motion made, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee—question resolved in the affirmative ; Bill read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 10 July, 1900, pp. 18-19 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to, 18 July, p. 26 ; Bill read the third time with further amendments ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 29 Aug., pp. 96-8. Report by the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 4 Sept., p. 101. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 10 Oct., p. 227 ; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, but, as a consequential amendment, clause 11 omitted, 12 Oct., p. 254. Message from the Council agreeing to the omission of clause 11, 12 Oct., p. 255. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1693.*)
- TRAMWAYS ACT 1890 EXTENSION (ST. KILDA) :** Bill to extend the provisions of the *Tramways Act 1890* to the municipality of St. Kilda within certain limits—(*Sir George Turner*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 29 Aug., 1900, p. 95.—Bill lapsed.
- TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT :** Bill to amend the *Treasury Bonds Act 1898*—(*Mr. Shiels*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 2) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill ; considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 July, 1900, pp. 27-8 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 24 July, p. 30. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 31 July, p. 41.—(*Assented to 7 August. Act No. 1658.*)

VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION : Bill to make a further appropriation for the Victorian military contingents serving with Her Majesty's regular forces in South Africa.—(*Mr. Shiels*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 5) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 24 July, 1900, p. 32; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 5 Oct., p. 185. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 11 Oct., p. 243. Letter from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, the discovery of a clerical error in the Bill; the House agreed to the correction and ordered that the letter be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in such correction, 17 Oct., p. 258. Message from the Council concurring therein, 17 Oct., p. 260. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1698.*)

VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT : Bill to provide for a Victorian naval contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China.—(*Mr. Salmon*).—Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 1) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, pp. 15-16; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 19 July, p. 28. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 31 July, p. 39. (*Assented to 26 July. Act No. 1657.*)

VOTING BY POST : Bill to provide for voting by post at elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly.—(*Mr. Irvine for Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 16; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 11 July, p. 21; debate resumed and adjourned, 18 July, p. 25; 19 July, p. 28; debate resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 24 July, p. 33; 9 Aug., p. 51; 16 Aug., p. 57; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed, 21 Aug., p. 61; order for third reading read and discharged and Bill recommitted; considered in Committee and re-reported with further amendments, 28 Aug., p. 93; report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 29 Aug., p. 95. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 4 Sept., p. 101. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments, 9 Oct., p. 188; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, and others agreed to with amendments, 10 Oct., pp. 229-30. Message from the Council that they do not insist on one of their amendments, do insist on another disagreed with by the Assembly, and have agreed to the Assembly's amendments in clause A, and to the consequential amendment in clause 24 with an amendment, 11 Oct., p. 245; amendments considered—Council's amendment on the Assembly's consequential amendment in clause 24 agreed to, and disagreement with the Council's amendment to omit clause 22 insisted on, but amendments made in the clause, 12 Oct., p. 251. Message from the Council that they do not now insist on the omission of clause 22, and have agreed to the Assembly's amendments in the said clause, 12 Oct., p. 255. Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (No. 23) recommending certain amendments in the Bill; amendments agreed to; ordered, That the Message be retransmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence requested in agreeing to the amendments recommended therein, 17 Oct., p. 259. Message from the Council agreeing thereto, 17 Oct., p. 260. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1701.*)

WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE : Bill to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung, known as the Walmer Estate.—(*Mr. McColl*).—House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the following resolution:—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Walmer Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 21st day of August, 1900; resolution considered in Committee, 22 Aug., 1900, p. 63; further considered in Committee, 29 Aug., p. 96; further considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 30 Aug., pp. 99-100. Report from the Clerk of the House of corrections made by him in the Bill, 4 Sept., p. 101. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 18 Sept., p. 117. (*Assented to 26 September. Act No. 1665.*)

WATER SUPPLY : Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for water supply in country districts.—(*Mr. Irvine for Mr. Shiels*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 25 Sept., 1900, p. 126; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., p. 250. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 251. Letter from the Clerk of the Parliaments reporting, in conformity with Joint Standing Order No. 21, the discovery of a clerical error in the Bill; the House agreed to the correction required and ordered that the letter be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in such correction, 17 Oct., p. 258. Message from the Council concurring therein, 17 Oct., p. 260. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1697.*)

- WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend section twenty-seven of the *Weights and Measures Act 1890*—(*Mr. Brown* for *Mr. Graves*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 18 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 26 Sept., p. 130. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 10 Oct., p. 229. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1677.*)
- WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE:** Bill to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite, known as the Whitfield Estate—(*Mr. McColl*).—House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the following resolution :—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Whitfield Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 27th day of September, 1900 ; resolution considered in Committee ; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon ; Bill initiated and read a first time ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 3 Oct., 1900, p. 179. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 12 Oct., p. 251. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1685.*)
- WILLS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT:** Bill to amend the *Wills Act 1890*—(*Mr. Bailes* for *Mr. Hamilton*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 11 July, 1900, p. 22.—Bill lapsed.
- WINE ADULTERATION:** Bill to prevent the adulteration of wine—(*Mr. Graham*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 4 Sept., 1900, p. 103 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee, 10 Oct., p. 229 ; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 12 Oct., p. 246. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill with amendments ; amendments agreed to, 12 Oct., p. 255. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1692.*)
- WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE:** Bill to remove the disqualification of women at elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 10 July, 1900, p. 16 ; read a second time, on division, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly, and committed ; considered in Committee, 17 July, p. 24 ; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment ; read the third time, on division, with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 21 Aug., p. 60.—Bill not returned from the Council.
- WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM:** Bill to authorize a referendum to the people of a Bill to remove the disqualification of women at elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly—(*Mr. McLean*).—Bill initiated and read a first time, 2 Oct., 1900, p. 174 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 3 Oct., p. 178.—Bill not returned from the Council.
- WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION:** Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta—(*Mr. Outtrim*).—Bill initiated (motion by leave) and read a first time, 3 Oct., 1900, p. 177 ; read a second time and committed ; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment ; Standing Orders suspended and report received ; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time ; ordered, That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein, 4-5 Oct., p. 182. Message from the Council agreeing to the Bill, 11 Oct., p. 243. (*Assented to 17 October. Act No. 1679.*)
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LIST OF MEMBERS.

SESSION 1900.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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

SEVENTEENTH PARLIAMENT.

FOURTH SESSION (27TH JUNE, 1900, TO 17TH OCTOBER, 1900).

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll. (a)			Votes Polled for Sitting Member. (a)
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
Anderson, John, Esquire ...	Melbourne East ...	3,420	902	4,322	1,416
Austin, Edwin Henry, Esquire ...	Ripon and Hampden ...	1,991	665	2,656	846
Bailes, Alfred Shrapnell, Esquire ...	Sandhurst ...	4,082	1,017	5,099	1,981
Beazley, William David, Esquire ¹ ...	Collingwood ...	4,114	945	5,059	2,129
Bennett, George Henry, Esquire ...	Richmond ...	4,317	1,055	5,372	2,564
Best, The Honorable Robert Wallace ² ...	Fitzroy ...	4,839	1,252	6,091	2,542
Bowser, John, Esquire ...	Wangaratta and Rutherglen	2,453	1,106	3,559	1,075
Brake, James Hugh, Esquire ...	Horsham ...	1,525	381	1,906	783
Bromley, Frederick Hadkinson, Esquire ...	Carlton ...	2,919	707	3,626	1,462
Brown, Joseph Tilley, Esquire ...	Shepparton and Euroa	1,817	345	2,162	720
Burton, John Balfour, Esquire ...	Stawell ...	1,723	493	2,216	Unopposed
Cameron, Ewen Hugh, Esquire ...	Evelyn ...	3,133	277	3,410	1,010
Carter, The Honorable Godfrey Downes	Melbourne ...	3,501	495	3,996	1,950
Chirnside, Captain John Percy ...	Grant ...	1,848	499	2,347	Unopposed
Cook, James Newton Haxton Hume, Esquire	East Bourke Boroughs	7,484	1,387	8,871	2,491
Craven, Albert William, Esquire ...	Benambra ...	1,718	342	2,060	909
Deakin, The Honorable Alfred ...	Essendon and Flemington	4,388	725	5,108	1,825
Downward, Alfred, Esquire ...	Mornington ...	3,388	1,007	4,395	1,452
Duffy, The Honorable John Gavan ³ ...	Kilmore, Dalhousie, and Lancefield	1,757	370	2,127	805
Duggan, Daniel Joseph, Esquire ...	Dunolly ...	1,520	528	2,048	Unopposed
Dyer, John Henry, Esquire ...	Borong ...	2,109	388	2,497	913
Fink, The Honorable Theodore ⁴ ...	Jolimont and West Richmond	1,635	817	2,452	1,068
Forrest, Charles Lamond, Esquire ...	Polwarth ...	2,272	856	3,128	1,280
Foster, The Honorable Henry ⁵ ...	Gippsland East ...	2,507	521	3,028	1,358
Gair, Mackay John Scobie, Esquire ...	Bourke East ...	2,096	441	2,537	922
Gillies, The Honorable Duncan ...	Toorak ...	3,128	872	4,000	1,355
Gillott, Samuel, Esquire ⁶ ...	Melbourne East ...	3,437	762	4,199	Unopposed
Graham, The Honorable George ⁷ ...	Numurkah and Nathalia	1,895	197	2,092	Unopposed
Graves, The Honorable James Howlin ⁸	Delatite ...	2,272	256	2,528	918
Gray, Frederick Charles, Esquire ...	Prahran ...	2,241	610	2,851	981
Grose, Walter Bolitho, Esquire ...	Creswick ...	1,425	516	1,941	1,002
Gurr, William, Esquire ...	Geelong ...	4,420	971	5,391	2,364

(a) NOTE.—Except where the Member's name is printed in *italic* the particulars given in the above table relate to the General Election 1897; the date of each Member's election, where "unopposed," being 7 October, the "day of nomination," and in the other cases, 14 October, the "day of polling." Where the Member's name is printed in *italic* the particulars given in the above table relate to by-elections subsequent to the general election, and the dates of these will be found in the following notes:—

¹ Mr. W. D. Beazley, Chairman of Committees, from 24 November, 1897.

² The Hon. R. W. Best, President of the Board of Land and Works and Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, also Commissioner of Trade and Customs (without salary), from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899.

³ The Hon. J. Gavan Duffy, Postmaster-General, from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899.

⁴ The Hon. T. Fink, appointed a Member of the Executive Council, 5 December, 1899.

⁵ The Hon. H. Foster, Minister of Mines, also Minister of Water Supply (without salary), from 28 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899.

⁶ Mr. S. Gillott, elected 7 November, 1899, *vice* Mr. E. L. Zox, deceased, 23 October, 1899.

⁷ The Hon. G. Graham vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 13 December, 1899; Minister of Agriculture and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, also Commissioner of Public Works (without salary), from 5 December, 1899, and Minister of Labour (without salary), from 8 October, 1900.

⁸ The Hon. J. H. Graves, one of the four Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 1 December, 1897.

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll.			Votes Polled for Sitting Member.
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
Hamilton, Walter Alfred, Esquire ...	Sandhurst ...	4,082	1,017	5,099	2,104
Harris, Albert, Esquire ...	Gippsland Central ...	2,382	525	2,907	1,084
Harris, Joseph, Esquire ...	South Yarra ...	1,865	626	2,491	1,054
Higgins, Henry Bourne, Esquire ...	Geelong ...	4,420	971	5,391	2,301
Holden, George Frederick, Esquire ⁹ ...	Warrenheip ...	1,548	170	1,718	532
Irvine, The Honorable William Hill ¹⁰	Lowan ...	2,176	253	2,429	941
Isaacs, The Honorable Isaac Alfred ¹¹	Bogong ...	1,459	474	1,933	Unopposed
Isaacs, John Alfred, Esquire ...	Ovens ...	1,463	491	1,954	Unopposed
Kennedy, Thomas, Esquire ...	Benalla and Yarrawonga	2,156	573	2,729	1,095
Kerr, David, Esquire ¹² ...	Grenville ...	3,041	889	3,930	546
Keys, John, Esquire ...	Dandenong and Berwick	3,213	359	3,572	1,010
Kirton, Joseph William, Esquire ...	Ballarat West ...	4,560	1,100	5,660	3,183
Langdon, Thomas, Esquire ...	Korong ...	1,830	414	2,244	Unopposed
Lawson, Harry Sutherland Wightman, Esquire ¹³	Castlemaine ...	2,291	959	3,250	1,431
Levien, The Honorable Jonas Felix ...	Barwon ...	1,811	590	2,401	932
Madden, Frank, Esquire ...	Eastern Suburbs ...	3,952	952	4,904	1,812
Maloney, William, Esquire ...	Melbourne West ...	1,604	720	2,324	1,094
Mason, The Honorable Francis Conway ¹⁴	Gippsland South ...	2,307	337	2,644	840
Mason, John Walter, Esquire ...	Rodney ...	4,028	853	4,881	1,714
Mauger, Samuel, Esquire ¹⁵ ...	Footscray ...	3,413	485	3,898	962
McArthur, John Neil, Esquire ...	Villiers and Heytesbury	1,884	500	2,384	893
McBride, Peter, Esquire ...	Kara Kara ...	1,684	625	2,309	Unopposed
McCull, The Honorable James Hiers ¹⁶	Gunbower ...	2,053	683	2,736	1,170
McGregor, Robert, Esquire ...	Ballarat East ...	2,468	865	3,333	1,511
McIntyre, The Honorable Sir John ...	Maldon ...	1,429	352	1,781	817
McKenzie, Malcolm Kenneth, Esquire	Anglesey ...	2,533	998	3,531	1,448
McLean, The Honorable Allan ¹⁷ ...	Gippsland North ...	1,841	144	1,985	1,008
McLeod, Donald Norman, Esquire ...	Portland ...	1,484	259	1,743	711
Methven, David, Esquire ...	East Bourke Boroughs	7,484	1,387	8,871	2,469
Moloney, James, Esquire ...	Carlton South ...	1,767	543	2,310	907
Morrissey, John, Esquire ...	Rodney ...	4,028	853	4,881	1,737
Moule, William Henry, Esquire ...	Brighton ...	2,935	506	3,441	1,373
Murray, John, Esquire ¹⁸ ...	Warrnambool ...	1,545	367	1,912	860
O'Loughlen, The Honorable Sir Bryan, Bart.	Port Fairy ...	1,600	336	1,936	620
O'Neill, Richard, Esquire ...	Mandurang ...	1,533	492	2,025	832
Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard ¹⁹	Maryborough ...	1,954	352	2,306	Unopposed
Peacock, The Honorable Alexander James ²⁰	Clunes and Allandale ...	1,427	316	1,743	Unopposed
Rawson, Hugh, Esquire ²¹ ...	Kyneton ...	1,465	689	2,154	908
Russell, George, Esquire ²² ...	Grenville ...	2,799	928	3,727	1,479

⁹ Mr. G. F. Holden, elected 11 May, 1900, *vice* Mr. E. Murphy, deceased, 12 April, 1900.

¹⁰ The Hon. W. H. Irvine vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 13 December, 1899; Attorney-General, from 5 December, 1899.

¹¹ The Hon. I. A. Isaacs, Attorney-General, from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899.

¹² Mr. D. Kerr, elected 1 December, 1899, *vice* Mr. M. Stapleton, deceased, 9 November, 1899.

¹³ Mr. H. S. W. Lawson, elected 20 December, 1899, *vice* the Hon. J. W. McCay, who vacated his seat by accepting office.

¹⁴ The Hon. F. C. Mason, Speaker, from 25 October, 1897.

¹⁵ Mr. S. Mauger, elected 12 December, 1899, *vice* Mr. J. Hancock, deceased, 22 November, 1899.

¹⁶ The Hon. J. H. McColl vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 13 December, 1899; President of the Board of Land and Works and Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, also Minister of Forests (without salary), from 5 December, 1899.

¹⁷ The Hon. A. McLean vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 13 December, 1899; Chief Secretary (and Premier), from 5 December, 1899.

¹⁸ Mr. J. Murray, one of the four Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 1 December, 1897.

¹⁹ The Hon. A. R. Outtrim vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 13 December, 1899; Minister of Mines and Water Supply and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, also Minister of Railways (without salary), from 5 December, 1899.

²⁰ The Hon. A. J. Peacock, Chief Secretary, also Minister of Public Instruction (without salary), from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899.

²¹ Mr. H. Rawson, one of the four Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 1 December, 1897.

²² Mr. G. Russell resigned 24 March, 1900, succeeded by Mr. J. T. Sadler.

Member.	District.	Electors on Roll.			Votes Polled for Sitting Member.
		Ratepayers.	Non-Rate-payers.	Total.	
<i>Sadler, James Thomas, Esquire</i> ²³ ...	Grenville ...	3,190	663	3,853	1,349
<i>Salmon, The Honorable Charles Carty</i> ²⁴ ...	Talbot and Avoca ...	1,550	332	1,882	763
<i>Sangster, George, Esquire</i> ...	Port Melbourne ...	2,014	524	2,538	1,226
<i>Shiels, The Honorable William</i> ²⁵ ...	Normanby ...	1,625	248	1,873	Unopposed
<i>Smith, Robert Murray, Esquire, C.M.G.</i> ...	Hawthorn ...	3,116	1,003	4,119	1,800
<i>Smith, Thomas, Esquire</i> ...	Emerald Hill ...	1,748	773	2,521	1,125
<i>Spiers, John Pollock, Esquire</i> ²⁶ ...	Windermere ...	1,164	337	1,501	479
<i>Staughton, Samuel Thomas, Esquire</i> ...	Bourke West ...	1,589	313	1,902	865
<i>Sterry, David Chaplin, Esquire</i> ...	Sandhurst South ...	1,874	344	2,218	956
<i>Styles, James, Esquire</i> ...	Williamstown ...	2,747	484	3,231	1,237
<i>Taverner, The Honorable John William</i> ²⁷ ...	Donald and Swan Hill ...	5,464	536	6,000	1,770
<i>Thomson, John, Esquire</i> ...	Dundas ...	1,805	460	2,265	Unopposed
<i>Toutcher, Richard Frederick, Esquire</i> ...	Ararat ...	1,403	367	1,770	680
<i>Trenwith, William Arthur, Esquire</i> ²⁸ ...	Richmond ...	4,317	1,055	5,372	2,201
<i>Tucker, The Honorable Albert Lee</i> ...	Fitzroy ...	4,839	1,252	6,091	1,934
<i>Tucker, John Benjamin, Esquire</i> ...	Melbourne South ...	1,704	765	2,469	1,081
<i>Turner, The Right Honorable Sir George, K.C.M.G.</i> ²⁹ ...	St. Kilda ...	2,694	1,144	3,838	Unopposed
<i>Turner, George James, Esquire</i> ...	Gippsland West ...	3,580	625	4,205	1,319
<i>Vale, The Honorable Richard Taylor</i> ...	Ballarat West ...	4,560	1,100	5,660	2,470
<i>Watt, The Honorable William Alexander</i> ³⁰ ...	Melbourne North ...	2,031	907	2,938	1,249
<i>Wheeler, The Honorable James Henry</i> ...	Daylesford ...	1,580	234	1,814	888
<i>White, John Samuel, Esquire</i> ...	Albert Park ...	1,770	1,014	2,784	718
<i>Wilkins, Edgar, Esquire</i> ...	Collingwood ...	4,114	945	5,059	2,583
<i>Williams, Edward David, Esquire</i> ...	Castlemaine ...	2,319	1,066	3,385	1,464
<i>Williams, The Honorable Henry Roberts</i> ³¹ ...	Eaglehawk ...	1,737	283	2,020	986

²³ Mr. J. T. Sadler, elected 11 April, 1900, *vice* Mr. G. Russell, resigned, 24 March, 1900.

²⁴ The Hon. C. C. Salmon vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 9 January, 1900; Minister of Public Instruction, also Commissioner of Trade and Customs (without salary), from 29 December, 1899.

²⁵ The Hon. W. Shiels vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected without opposition, 13 December, 1899; Treasurer, from 5 December, 1899.

²⁶ Mr. J. P. Spiers, elected 3 June, 1898, *vice* Mr. W. Anderson, deceased, 3 May, 1898.

²⁷ The Hon. J. W. Taverner, Commissioner of Public Works and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, also Minister of Agriculture (without salary), from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899; and Minister of Health (without salary), from 14 May to 16 September, 1895.

²⁸ Mr. W. A. Trenwith, one of the four Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A, from 1 December, 1897.

²⁹ The Right Hon. Sir George Turner, Treasurer (and Premier), from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899; also Minister of Defence (without salary) and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works, from 20 December, 1894, to 13 February, 1895.

³⁰ The Hon. W. A. Watt vacated his seat by accepting office; re-elected 20 December, 1899, polling 1,153 votes; Postmaster-General, from 5 December, 1899.

³¹ The Hon. H. R. Williams, Minister of Railways, from 27 September, 1894, to 5 December, 1899; also Minister of Health (without salary), from 16 September, 1895, to 5 December, 1899.

OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, ETC.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH JUNE, 1900.

1. The Legislative Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, bearing date the fifth day of June, 1900—which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

FURTHER PROROGUING PARLIAMENT AND FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING
THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH PARLIAMENT.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Lieutenant-Governor of the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Act* it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor to fix such places within Victoria and, subject to the limitation therein contained, such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Council and Assembly, and to vary and alter the same respectively in such manner as he might think fit; and also from time to time to prorogue the said Council and Assembly, and to dissolve the said Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he should deem it expedient: And whereas the said Council and Assembly, called "The Parliament of Victoria," stand prorogued until Tuesday, the 12th day of June, 1900, and it is expedient further to prorogue the same, and to fix the time for holding the next Session thereof: Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria, in exercise of the power conferred by the said Act, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 1900; and also I do hereby fix Wednesday, the 27th day of June, 1900, aforesaid, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Council and Assembly, called the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Two o'clock in the afternoon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Parliament Place, Spring-street, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred, and in the sixty-third year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. McLEAN.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

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

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER,

24th March, 1900.

I hereby resign my seat as one of the Members of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Grenville.

I am, yours truly,

GEORGE RUSSELL,

The Hon. The Speaker.

4. **ISSUE OF WRITS.**—Mr. Speaker announced that since the Prorogation he had issued Writs for the election of Members to serve for the following Electoral Districts, viz.:—

Grenville, in the place of George Russell, Esquire, resigned ;
Warrenheip, in the place of Edward Murphy, Esquire, deceased.

5. **RETURNS TO WRITS.**—Mr. Speaker also announced that he had received returns to the foregoing Writs, by which it appeared that the following gentlemen had been elected for the respective districts set opposite their names :—

James Thomas Sadler, for the Electoral District of Grenville ;
George Frederick Holden, of Wallace, merchant, for the Electoral District of Warrenheip.

6. **MEMBERS SWORN.**—James Thomas Sadler, Esquire, and George Frederick Holden, Esquire, were then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

7. **REPRESENTATION OF GRENVILLE—PETITION.**—Mr. Speaker laid before the House the following Petition that had been presented to him on the 12th day of May last :—

To the Honorable Francis Conway Mason, The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Colony of Victoria.

The Petition of GEORGE DICK MEUDELL, of 54 Queen-street, Melbourne, in the Colony of Victoria, sharebroker,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH :

1. That on the 11th day of April, 1900, an election was held for one Member to serve in this present Parliament in the Legislative Assembly of the Colony of Victoria for the Electoral District of Grenville.

2. That your Petitioner was a candidate at such election.

3. That James Thomas Sadler, of Leaderville, in the Colony of Western Australia, school-master, was the only other candidate at the said election.

4. That, as the result of the said election, the Returning Officer announced that the said James Thomas Sadler had received 1,849 votes, and that your Petitioner had received 687 votes ; and the said Returning Officer publicly declared that the said James Thomas Sadler had received the majority of votes, and was duly elected as Member as aforesaid, and made his return accordingly.

5. That your Petitioner has been informed and believes, and now alleges, that the said James Thomas Sadler was at the time of the said election incapable of being lawfully elected a Member of the Legislative Assembly, and is incapable of sitting or voting in the said Legislative Assembly, by reason of his not having consented in due form under his hand or at all, as is required by law, to the nomination paper naming him as a candidate at the said election, as is necessary in order to render him capable of becoming a candidate for election as a Member of the said Legislative Assembly.

6. That your Petitioner is advised and believes that by reason of the premises the said James Thomas Sadler is not entitled to be declared a duly elected Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Grenville.

Your Petitioner therefore respectfully prays :

That you will communicate the matter of this Petition to the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in order that the case may be referred to the "Committee of Elections and Qualifications."

That the return of the said Returning Officer be declared void as respects the said James Thomas Sadler.

That it be declared that the said James Thomas Sadler was, at the date of such election and now is, unqualified to be and disqualified from being so elected or returned as a Member of the said Legislative Assembly of Victoria for the said Electoral District of Grenville, or from sitting or voting as a Member for the said District, and that it be declared that the said James Thomas Sadler was not duly elected or returned.

That in the event of the said James Thomas Sadler being declared not to have been duly elected, the return of the said Returning Officer be amended by striking out the name of the said James Thomas Sadler and inserting in the place thereof the name of your Petitioner, and that your Petitioner be declared duly elected as a Member of the said Legislative Assembly of Victoria for the said Electoral District of Grenville.

And that your Petitioner may have such other and further relief as the circumstances of the case may require, or as to the Committee may seem meet.

And your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

Dated at Melbourne this twelfth day of May, in the year of our Lord, 1900.

GEORGE D. MEUDELL.

Witness—W. WARRINGTON ROGERS, Parliamentary Agent, 39 Market-street, Melbourne.

8. **TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.**—The following Warrant, nominating the Temporary Chairmen of Committees, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

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

The Honorable James Howlin Graves,
John Murray, Esquire,
Hugh Rawson, Esquire, and
William Arthur Trenwith, Esquire,

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

Given under my hand this twenty-seventh day of June, One thousand nine hundred.

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

9. **COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.**—The following Warrant, appointing "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications," was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker :—

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

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

George Henry Bennett, Esquire,
John Balfour Burton, Esquire,
Ewen Hugh Cameron, Esquire,
Albert Harris, Esquire,
David Methven, Esquire,
William Henry Moule, Esquire, and
Robert Murray Smith, Esquire, C.M.G.,

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

Given under my hand this twenty-seventh day of June, One thousand nine hundred.

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

10. **GIPPSLAND LAKES' ENTRANCE.**—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Proposed Expenditure on Conversion and Protection Works at the Gippsland Lakes' Entrance; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

11. **WALHALLA RAILWAY.**—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Railway Communication with Walhalla; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

12. **PAPERS.**—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Australasian Statistics for the year 1898, compiled from official returns in the Office of the Government Statist of Victoria.

British New Guinea—Annual Report on, from 1st July, 1898, to 30th June, 1899; with Appendices.

Defective Saddlery Board.—Report of the Board appointed to inquire and report as to the Supply by the Contractors of Defective Saddlery for the use of the Second Victorian Contingent sent for service in South Africa.

Federation of the Australian Colonies—Papers relating to the.

Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1899—

Part I.—Blue Book.

Part II.—Interchange.

Unemployment.—Report of the Board of Inquiry on Unemployment.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Dentists Act 1898.—Alteration of Regulation.

Factories and Shops Acts.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1899.

Fire Brigades Acts—

Country Fire Brigades Board—Report of the, for the year ended 31st December, 1899, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board—Report of the, for the year ended 31st December, 1899, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.

Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar of, for the year 1899.

Post Office Acts—Orders in Council—

Insurance of Parcels.

Rate for Transmission of Telegrams between Victoria and New Zealand.

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees of the, for 1899, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1898-9.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.

Royal Commissions and Boards of Inquiry.—Copies of Orders in Council Fixing or Increasing Expenditure.

Trade Unions.—Fourteenth Annual Report on Trade Unions.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1899, with an Appendix.

Water Acts—Orders in Council, &c.—

Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Alteration in Representation of Commissioners for the Urban and Irrigation Divisions of the Trust District.

Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 7.

Bairnsdale Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Alteration in the Constitution.

Benjeroop and Murrabit Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Additional Loan.

Campaspe Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Carrum Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Dry Lake Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

East Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Koondrook and Myall Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Regulation for Fixing Charges for Water for 1900.

Rating Regulation.

North Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Rating Regulation No. 18 (Draft Form).

Rating Divisions repealed.

Swan Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 16 (Draft Form).

Yatchaw Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.

13. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Supreme Court Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. Shiels do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have called you together, after a brief recess, with a view of obtaining your advice and assistance in regard to matters of importance.

The attempted assassination of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales caused a thrill of horror throughout the whole civilized world; and all classes will unite in an expression of deep gratitude to Almighty God that the life of the Heir Apparent to the Throne has been preserved, and that our revered Sovereign, in Her advanced years, has been spared a terrible sorrow. On receipt of the intelligence a cablegram was despatched, on behalf of the people of Victoria, expressing their sincere gratification that the murderous design had been frustrated.

The war in South Africa has not yet been brought to a conclusion, but the brilliant successes already achieved inspire confidence that, at no distant date, complete victory will crown our arms. I cherish the hope that the struggle will ultimately secure the maintenance of the rights and privileges of our fellow subjects in South Africa, and conduce to the future welfare and advantage of those with whom unhappily we are now in conflict. The loyal response to the call to arms has strengthened the relations between the Mother Country and her great Dependencies, and has shown to the world that we are ready to share the dangers and responsibilities of the Empire of which it is our proud resolve to ever form a part.

In the great achievements of the campaign, our Australian soldiers have borne a prominent part, and proved themselves worthy comrades in arms of Britain's best troops. The enthusiastic demonstrations upon the announcement of the relief of the beleaguered towns in British territory prove the intensity of the loyalty and of the patriotic feeling of our people.

Our rejoicings have, however, been tinged with regret by the loss of many of the brave men who left our shores; and we have also witnessed the affecting spectacle of the return of Victoria's sick and wounded from their first campaign. We honour them for their noble performance of duty, and it will be our privilege to show our appreciation of their conduct by making suitable recompense for their sufferings.

The reception accorded by the Imperial Authorities to the Bill for the establishment of the Commonwealth of Australia has been most gratifying, and it is evident that Federated Australia will commence her career under the happiest auspices. Certain amendments on questions of detail were, however, proposed by Her Majesty's Advisers, and the conduct of the negotiations with regard thereto has shown the wisdom of the step the Federating Colonies took in despatching able and trusted delegates to England, to elucidate the measure and give expression to Australian opinion. The proposed amendments have been reduced to a minimum, and the measure is likely to be enacted in substantially the form in which it was ratified by the people of Australia.

It is eminently satisfactory that the Parliament of Western Australia has passed a measure authorizing the taking of a vote of the people on the Convention Bill, and I trust that, as the result of that vote, the whole continent of Australia will soon be indissolubly united.

The number of members to which Victoria will be entitled in the House of Representatives will depend upon whether or not Western Australia enters the Federation as an original State. My Advisers have therefore prepared alternative schemes providing for either contingency, and these, together with other measures to provide for the changes necessitated by Federation, will be duly laid before you for your consideration.

The Bill for extending the franchise to women, which has on several occasions received your attention, will be again submitted at an early date, and will, if adopted, permit of women voting, not only for the Legislative Assembly of the State, but also for both Chambers of the Federal Parliament. A Bill providing for a system of voting by post will also be introduced.

A measure will be laid before you for the establishment of a system of Provision for Old Age, whereby assistance will be rendered to the present aged and deserving poor, who hitherto have lacked means of securing themselves against indigence in their declining years; and, at the same time, the spirit of thrift, forethought, and self-dependence fostered and encouraged in the community.

My Advisers purpose submitting to you measures dealing with the formation of Rifle Clubs, strengthening the Cadet Corps, and increasing the number and efficiency of the Mounted Rifles.

The purchase of the Wando Vale Estate for the purpose of promoting closer settlement of the people on the land is expected to prove very successful. The subdivisional value of the estate, made after careful local advice, was found to be nearly one-eighth more than the price paid by the Government for the estate as a whole. In accordance with the provisions of the Land Act, the successful applicants will receive nearly the whole of this benefit.

Negotiations are in progress for the resumption of more land for closer settlement under the *Land Act* 1898. The limit of £100,000 per annum has proved inelastic, and proposals will be submitted to you for the extension of this limit, as my Advisers are strongly of opinion that the acquisition of good land by the State for closer settlement is not only the best means of keeping our rural population within the Colony, but also of augmenting greatly the wealth to be won from the soil.

Deputations from Farmers' Associations interviewed my Ministers, asking for the erection of grain elevators. In the opinion of the Commissioner of Railways compliance with this request involved a very large additional expense, which, it was considered, should not be incurred without careful investigation of the conditions under which the elevator system has proved so successful in the United States. It was deemed advisable, therefore, that Mr. Mathieson, in conjunction with Mr. Sinclair, our Agricultural Representative in London, should proceed to America, accompanied by an expert draughtsman, who could draw up locally the plans and specifications necessary for the erection, by our own contractors and workmen, of suitable elevators and fittings, if the information to be elicited by the Commissioner will justify the adoption of the system in conjunction with our railways.

My Advisers have entered into a provisional contract for the construction, by private promoters, of a narrow-gauge railway to serve the Mount Deddick country, at an expenditure of £300,000. This line will open up a large and valuable territory, and, subject to compliance with certain guarantees by the promoters, a Bill will be submitted to you sanctioning the contract and enabling the Government to take over the line on equitable terms.

Arrangements are almost completed for the establishment of a Department of Labour, which will be placed under the control of the Minister of Public Works. It is expected that very shortly this new branch of the State service will be in full operation, and that it will prove of great value in providing a more complete means of registration of the unemployed; better facilities for collecting information as to openings for labour; and more successful methods of bringing together the representatives of capital and labour.

The arduous work of the Public Service Reclassification Board is approaching completion, and, so soon as the Board's Report is in the hands of my Advisers, it will receive their careful consideration, with a view to the adoption of such measures as may be necessary to rectify anomalies and place the Public Service on a more equitable and satisfactory basis.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

The Estimates for the ensuing financial year, which have been framed with due regard to economy on the one hand and to public requirements on the other, will be laid before you.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

In accordance with the provisions of the *Factories and Shops Act 1900*, a Royal Commission has been appointed, consisting of Members of both Houses of Parliament, to thoroughly investigate and report upon the operation and industrial effect of our Factories legislation, and as to any amendments in the law which may be desirable. In selecting the members of that Commission my Advisers have been actuated by a desire to secure the services of gentlemen who, though differing in their views as to Factory legislation, have a knowledge of, and take a deep interest in, the subject. By this means, it is hoped that the inquiry will be rendered more exhaustive and satisfactory.

Resolutions for the creation of further Wages Boards under the Factories and Shops Acts will be duly submitted to you.

Amendments in the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court are now being made by the Judges, with a view to expedite and cheapen litigation, and my Advisers have prepared measures to further these desirable changes. The question of the consolidation of the Statute Law of the Colony at an early date is also receiving consideration.

So far as the limited duration of the Session will allow, my Advisers will submit for your consideration Bills for Railway Construction, Arbitration and Conciliation, and Reclassification of Shires; for amending the Land Acts and the law relating to Patents, and for preventing the use of deleterious articles in the making and preserving of Wine; also measures dealing with the Restriction of Undesirable Immigration, Coal Mines Regulation, and Infant Life Protection.

I trust that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, your deliberations on these and any other matters which you may be called upon to consider, will tend to promote the best interests and happiness of the people.

JOHN MADDEN.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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

Sir George Turner moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

THURSDAY, 28TH JUNE, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
 - Victorian Railways—
 - Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 31st December, 1899.
 - Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the quarter ending 31st March, 1900.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—
 - MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :
 - We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
 - Debate resumed.
 - Sir George Turner moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the proposed Address :—“And we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers do not possess our confidence.”
 - Debate continued.
 - Mr. Trenwith 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.
 - Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—
 - Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at four o'clock.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 3RD JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
 - Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Eighth General Report.
 - Water Acts—
 - Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
 - Regulation providing for the Sale of Water for the year 1900.
 - Rating Regulation.
 - Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation No. 18.
 - Shire of Wimmera and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—
 - Application of Municipal Funds.
 - Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 16.
 - Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 26.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—*and on the amendment*—That the following words be added to the proposed Address :—“ And we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency that your Advisers do not possess our confidence ”—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Kirton 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.

Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—

Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four o'clock.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 - Debate ensued.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

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VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH JULY, 1900.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. McColl presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
State Forests and Timber Reserves—

Ninth Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.

—Pastoral Lands in the Parishes of Connangorach, Mockinya, Daahl, and Tyar,
County of Lowan, known as the Black Range Forest, Upper Glenelg District.

Tenth Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.
—Forest Royalties and the Royalty System.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by
the Clerk of the House :—

Education Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.—Order in Council.

3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the
resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of
His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this
House :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our
loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech
which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—and on the amendment—That the following
words be added to the proposed Address :—“ And we respectfully desire to inform Your Excellency
that your Advisers do not possess our confidence ”—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

THURSDAY, 5TH JULY, 1900.

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

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Lawson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Duggan.
Mr. Morrissey,	

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Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Brown,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Keys,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. White.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. J. Harris,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Thomson.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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

Ordered—That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House.

4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—

Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 10TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had, that day, waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament, agreed to on the 5th July instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

I beg to thank you, in the name and on behalf of our Most Gracious Sovereign, for the loyal Address which you have just presented to me.

I feel assured that the various measures about to be submitted will receive your careful consideration, and that your labours will prove of much benefit to the colony.

JOHN MADDEN.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th July, 1900.

3. GRENVILLE ELECTION PETITION.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had, that day, received a letter from Mr. George D. Meudell which he read, and which is as follows:—

IN THE MATTER OF THE GRENVILLE ELECTION, AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION LODGED BY GEORGE DICK MEUDELL AGAINST THE ELECTION OF JAMES THOMAS SADLER FOR THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF GRENVILLE.

To the Honorable Francis Conway Mason, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Colony of Victoria.

SIR,

I have the honour to hereby give you notice that I do not intend to proceed with the Petition lodged by me with you on the twelfth day of May, One thousand nine hundred, against the return of James Thomas Sadler, as duly elected Member for the Electoral District of Grenville, on the grounds in such Petition set out; and also praying that I should be returned as the duly elected Member for such electoral district, and, further, as in such Petition set out. And I hereby absolutely withdraw such Petition.

Dated at Melbourne this ninth day of July, One thousand nine hundred.

Witness—H. DUNBAR PERCIVAL.

GEORGE D. MEUDELL.

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

Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890—

Minor Articles.—Rope Adjuster (for Halters).

Surgical Appliances on Instruments.—Drenching Bits for Cattle.

Duty on Cane and Canvas Trunks.

Electric Light and Power Act 1896—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under the, for the year 1899.

Fisheries Act 1890—

Notice of Proclamation.—Protection of Crayfish.

Notice of Intention regarding Fishing in the Barwon River.

Shire of Bright.—Close Seasons for English Trout.

Use of Nets in Volcano Lake.

Marine Act 1890—

Ports in Victoria.—Additional Regulation.—Proclamation.

Ports in Victoria.—Additional Regulation.—Proclamation.

Amendment of Regulations for the Carriage of Animals by Ship.

Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea.

Mines Act 1890.—Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund.—Balance-sheet, 1899.

Powder Magazines Act 1896.—Explosives Magazine Reserve at Truganina.—By-laws.—Order in Council.

Public Service Act 1890.—Regulations.

Water Act 1890.—Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Minimum Amount of Rates for year 1900.—Order in Council.

5. SUPPLY.—Mr. Shiels moved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Shiels moved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Murray moved, as an amendment, That the word "Four" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the word "Ten."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Irvine,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Wheeler.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Craven,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Mauger,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Turner.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Kirton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

On one Wednesday—

Private Bill Business:

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

General Business:

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

On the alternate Wednesday—

General Business:

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

Private Bill Business:

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graves, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Levien, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. McLean, Mr. Staughton, Mr. Trenwith, Mr. A. L. Tucker, Sir George Turner, Mr. Vale, and Mr. Wheeler; five to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Deakin, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Madden, and Mr. Shiels.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Graham, Mr. Moule, Mr. T. Smith, and Mr. Taverner.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Craven, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Gray, Mr. Grose, Mr. Kirton, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Mauger, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Rawson; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Anderson, Mr. Austin, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Wilkins.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Carter, Mr. Deakin, Sir John McIntyre, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. T. Smith, and Mr. Wheeler; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Salmon, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 1.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th July, 1900.

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

17. VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 1, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Salmon, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

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

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

Resolved--That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Salmon and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

18. **VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT BILL.**—Mr. Salmon then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
19. **FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.**—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for determining the divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the number of Members for each division.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the number of Members for each Division,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
20. **WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.**—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to remove the disqualification of women at elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
21. **VOTING BY POST BILL.**—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. McLean, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for voting by post at elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. McLean do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
22. **COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL.**—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. McLean, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. McLean do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
23. **REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890.*
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Maloney and Mr. Sangster do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Maloney then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the 'Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890,'*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 18th July instant.
24. **GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL.**—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease buildings erected on the general market site for other than market purposes.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Higgins and Mr. Gurr do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Higgins then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.

25. **ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Sir George Turner moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *St. Kilda Loan Act 1893*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Sir George Turner and Mr. Gavan Duffy do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘St. Kilda Loan Act 1893,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.
26. **MINES ACT 1897 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Hamilton moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Mines Act 1897*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Bailes do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Hamilton then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Mines Act 1897,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
27. **HOUSE ESTATE AND FINANCIAL AGENTS LICENSING BILL.**—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. O’Neill, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to license house, estate, and all other commission agents, valutors, financial agents, and money lenders.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. O’Neill, Mr. Duggan, and Mr. Austin do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Duggan then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to license House Estate and all other Commission Agents Valutors Financial Agents and Money Lenders,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.
28. **STOCK AND SHARE BROKERS LICENSING BILL.**—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. O’Neill, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to license stock and share brokers.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. O’Neill, Mr. Duggan, and Mr. Austin do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Duggan then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to license Stock and Share Brokers,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.
29. **JUVENILE SMOKERS RESTRICTION BILL.**—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. O’Neill, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict and prohibit the use of tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes by juvenile members of the community.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. O’Neill, Mr. Duggan, and Mr. McGregor do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Duggan then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to restrict and prohibit the use of Tobacco Cigars and Cigarettes by Juvenile Members of the Community,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.
30. **STREET FREQUENTING CHILDREN RESTRICTION BILL.**—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. O’Neill, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to restrict and prohibit children under the age of fourteen years being in the streets after nine o’clock.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. O’Neill, Mr. Duggan, and Mr. Maloney do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Duggan then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to restrict and prohibit Children under the Age of Fourteen Years being in the Streets after Nine o’clock,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.
31. **BENDIGO TRADES HALL TRUSTEES BILL.**—Mr. Hamilton moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Bendigo Trades and Labour Council as a Board of Trustees for the Bendigo Trades Hall.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Bailes, and Mr. Cook do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Hamilton then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Establishment of the Bendigo Trades and Labour Council as a Board of Trustees for the Bendigo Trades Hall,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.
32. **MELBOURNE TRAMWAY AND OMNIBUS COMPANY’S ACT 1883 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend *The Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company’s Act 1883*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Maloney, Mr. Sangster, and Mr. Wilkins do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Maloney then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend ‘The Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company’s Act 1883,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.

33. **PUBLIC TRUST OFFICE BILL.**—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a Public Trust Office in Victoria.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Maloney and Mr. T. Smith do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Maloney then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to establish a Public Trust Office in Victoria,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th August next.
34. **NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL.**—Mr. Cook moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Cook and Mr. Hamilton do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Cook then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to abolish Compulsory Vaccination in Victoria,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 15th August next.
35. **HACKNEY CARRIAGES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Bromley, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to hackney carriages.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered that Mr. Bromley, Mr. Maloney, Mr. Trenwith, Mr. T. Smith, and Mr. Wilkins do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Maloney then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Hackney Carriages,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.
36. **MCARTHUR-FOREST CYANIDE PROCESS.**—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of the contract, together with all correspondence relating thereto, between the Government and the representatives of the McArthur-Forest Cyanide Process relative to the purchase of the said process by the Government.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
37. **BRANDS REGISTRATION BILL.**—Mr. Brown moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Kennedy, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the registration of brands.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Craven do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Brown then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Registration of Brands,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.
38. **FIFTH BATTALION OF MILITIA.**—Mr. Bailes moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the disaffection and causes thereof in the 5th Battalion of the Militia at Bendigo, such Committee to consist of Mr. Burton, Mr. Duggan, Mr. Foster, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Kirton, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Thomson, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to report the minutes of evidence from time to time, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
39. **WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Brown moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Graves, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend section twenty-seven of the *Weights and Measures Act 1890*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Graves, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Craven do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Brown then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend Section twenty-seven of the ‘Weights and Measures Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.
40. **EMBEZZLEMENT AND THEFT IN THE RAILWAYS DEPARTMENT.**—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number and nature of the cases of embezzlement and theft by servants of the Railways Department during the last ten years, and the punishment inflicted. The cases to be denoted by numbers or letters.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
41. **PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS BILL.**—Mr. Best moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Fink, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the profession of public accountants.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Fink and Mr. Gillott do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Gillott then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to regulate the Profession of Public Accountants,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.
42. **TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—Mr. Sterry moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the traffic of traction engines.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Sterry and Mr. Taverner do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Sterry then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines,*" and moved, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages in this House up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday, 18th July instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

43. VICTORIAN POSTAGE RATE.—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That as the financial control of our Postal Department will, almost immediately, under Federation pass from our Government and be transferred to the Commonwealth it is essential, in the opinion of this House, that our postage rate should be made uniform with that of New South Wales, in order that our industries and commercial enterprises may not be more severely handicapped than theirs, as in New South Wales the penny postage system is largely adopted.

Mr. Watt moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 18th July instant.

44. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Brown moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Dairying Companies Act 1900*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Brown and Mr. Murray do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Brown then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Dairying Companies Act 1900,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.

45. JURORS EXEMPTION BILL.—Mr. Brown moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill exempting commercial travellers and country auctioneers from serving on juries.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Brown and Mr. Craven do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Brown then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill exempting Commercial Travellers and Country Auctioneers from serving on Juries,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.

46. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Beazley moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Friendly Societies Act 1890*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Beazley then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 25th July instant.

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

Supreme Court Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.

48. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. NARROW-GAUGE RAILWAYS.—Mr. Gray moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The length of narrow-gauge lines constructed and the cost of each line.
 2. The length of narrow-gauge lines in course of construction and the estimated cost of such lines.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a line of railway from Newtown to Pitfield. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Newtown to Pitfield. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Shiels do prepare and bring in the Bill. Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to military service in South Africa by members of the police force or public service. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Shiels do prepare and bring in the Bill. Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. CENSUS BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for taking a census for Victoria in the year One thousand nine hundred and one. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Shiels do prepare and bring in the Bill. Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 3, and No. 2 until Tuesday next.
8. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Sir George Turner moved, That the debate be now adjourned. And, after debate—Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative. Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

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9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 and Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. **WILLS ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Bailes moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Hamilton, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Wills Act 1890*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Bailes do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Bailes then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Wills Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th August next.
11. **LAND ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Bailes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Land Act 1898*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Bailes and Mr. Anderson do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Bailes then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Land Act 1898,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 8th August next.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 8th August next.
13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. McLean moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Maloney moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Marriage Act 1890*.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Maloney, Mr. McKenzie, and Mr. Sangster do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Maloney then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to further amend the ‘Marriage Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
 - Audit Act 1890.—Certification of Accounts.—General Regulations respecting Public Accounts, Clause 35A.
 - Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1899.
 - Land Acts.—Orders in Council—
 - Addition to Regulations under the Land Acts.—Wombat State Forest.
 - Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Miscellaneous.
 - Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Licence-fee for taking away Marl from Germantown Recreation Reserve.
 - Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part II.—Crown Lands, other than Mallee Lands. Chapter X.—Miscellaneous. Village Settlers.
 - Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part II.—Crown Lands, other than Mallee Lands. Chapter III.—Applications for Leases and Licences. Part III.—Mallee Lands. Chapter IV.—Miscellaneous. Certificates of Registration.
 - Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—Part IV.—Saw-mill and Timber Licences.—Wombat State Forest.
 - Mallee Regulations under the Provisions of the *Land Act 1900*, also Additional Regulations under *Land Act 1898*, with regard to Land in the Fourth Schedule. (Little Desert.)
 - Regulations under the *Land Act 1898*.—Lands acquired for purposes of Closer Settlement.
 - Land Act 1890.—Section 85.—Schedules of Swamp Leases containing Special Conditions.
 - Water Acts—
 - Leaghur and Meering Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—
 - Regulation for the Sale and Distribution of Water.
 - Rating Regulation.
 - Swan Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation providing for the Sale and Distribution of Water for Irrigation Purposes.

(300 copies.)

4. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 57.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Higgins,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McBride,	
Mr. McColl,	
Mr. McGregor,	

Tellers.

Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Beazley.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. J. W. Mason,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Carter,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. White.
Mr. Graves,	
Mr. J. Harris,	
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	

Tellers.

Mr. Moule,
Mr. Thomson.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY, 1900.

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

2. PETITION.—Mr. Carter presented a Petition from the President, Vice-President, and Members of Council of the Melbourne Chamber of Commerce, under the common seal of the said Corporation, praying that the House will see fit to re-establish the penny postage rate in Victoria and secure the much-valued reform in postal communication, which the Petitioners believe the principal portion of the community is anxious to see adopted before entering the Commonwealth.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Outtrim presented—

McArthur-Forest Cyanide Process.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 10th July, 1900, for a copy of the contract, together with all correspondence relating thereto, between the Government and the representatives of the McArthur-Forest Cyanide Process relative to the purchase of the said process by the Government.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Orders in Council—

Rifle Clubs—Revised Regulations for.

Victorian Military Forces.—Alteration of Regulations—

Part I.—General Regulations for the Victorian Military Forces.

Part I.—General Regulations for the Victorian Military Forces.—Section I.—Constitution.

Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations—

Part I.—Pay of Permanent Forces.

Part I.—Pay of Permanent Forces. Part IV.—Allowances.

Part I.—Pay of Permanent Forces. Part II.—Pay of Militia Forces. Part III.—Pay of Volunteer Forces. Part IV.—Allowances.

Victorian Naval Forces.—Alteration of Regulations—

Appendix (Schedule of Returns required from Naval Forces).

Part III.—Naval Brigade.—Section VI.—Drills and Retainers.

Victorian Volunteer Cadet Corps.—Addition to Regulations.

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1899.

4. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Moule moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and that the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Notices of Motion, General Business, Nos. 1 and 3.

6. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—Mr. Trenwith moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the settlement of industrial disputes by means of conciliation and arbitration.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Trenwith and Mr. Best do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Trenwith then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to provide for the Settlement of Industrial Disputes by means of Conciliation and Arbitration,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd August next.
7. GIPPSLAND EAST EDUCATION ENDOWMENT RESERVES REVOCATION BILL.—Mr. Foster moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to revoke certain reservations of land made for educational endowment in the Electoral District of Gippsland East.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Foster and Mr. Bailes do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Foster then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to revoke certain Reservations of Land made for Educational Endowment in the Electoral District of Gippsland East,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 1st August next.
8. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Maloney moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Maloney moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Maloney, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Rawson reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 On the motion of Mr. Sterry, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Sterry moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Wednesday, 29th August next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3 be postponed until Wednesday, 29th August next.
11. MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Maloney moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Maloney moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Maloney, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Wednesday, 12th September next.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday, 12th September next:—
Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
 Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 19TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Technical Education.—Third Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Technical Education.—Report by Dr. Cherry on Technical Instruction in Great Britain and Europe.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the Commission appointed on the 20th June, 1899, to inquire into the question of Technical Instruction having incurred liabilities to the amount of the maximum expenditure fixed by Orders in Council, and not yet having concluded their inquiry, the House concurs in the expenditure by such Commission for the purposes of their inquiry and report of a further sum of Two hundred pounds.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same was read :—
JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor. *Message No. 2.*
In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Treasury Bonds Act 1898*.
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 17th July, 1900.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be taken into consideration in Committee of the whole House this day.
6. TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 2, having been read—On the motion or Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Beazley reported from a Committee of the whole House a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the *Treasury Bonds Act 1898*.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Shiels then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1898,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 3.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 10th July, 1900.

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

8. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 3, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of money for railways and for other purposes.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Shiels then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

9. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. A. Harris 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.

10. VICTORIAN NAVAL CONTINGENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 24TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying that the Penny Postage rate may be re-established in Victoria, were presented :—
By Mr. Carter—
From certain banking companies in the colony of Victoria.
From the President and Members of Committee of the Australasian National League (Victorian Section).
On the motion of Mr. Carter, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petitions to be read.
The Petitions were read by the Clerk.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same was read :—

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ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1900-1901.

JOHN MADDEN,
*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 4.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the first month of the year 1900-1901, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 24th July, 1900.

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

4. FEDERAL ELECTORATES—SUPPLEMENTARY ROLLS.—Mr. Lawson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the approximate number of voters likely to be added by the Supplementary Rolls to each proposed Federal constituency.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

(700 copies.)

5. REFRIGERATING STORES AND CENTRAL WINE DEPÔT.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the Commission appointed on the 24th April, 1899, to inquire into and report as to the advisability of building and maintaining Cool Stores and of establishing a Central Wine Depôt having incurred liabilities to the amount of the maximum expenditure fixed by resolutions of the House and by Orders in Council, and not yet having concluded their inquiry, the House concurs in the expenditure by such Commission for the purposes of their inquiry and report of a further sum of Thirty pounds.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 10 to 13 inclusive.
7. RAILWAY LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. TREASURY BONDS ACT 1898 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Beazley also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. SUPPLY.—Mr. Beazley reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £600,215 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1900–1901, viz.:—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council	175
2. Legislative Assembly	900
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways	70
4. Victorian Parliamentary Debates	335
5. The Library	285
6. Refreshment Rooms	100
7. Water Power for Parliament House	25
8. Parliament Gardens	65
9. Administrative and Scientific	3,920
10. Government Statist	1,095
11. Police	25,500
12. Penal Establishments and Gaols	6,205
13. Hospitals for the Insane	8,770
14. Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools	5,330

Division No.	£
15. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery	5,000
16. Government Shorthand Writer	205
17. Audit Office and Public Service Board	900
18. Aborigines	485
19. Exhibitions	315
20. Grants	1,140
21. Miscellaneous	3,600
22. Education	2,808
23. Do.	45,300
24. Melbourne University	440
25. Technical Schools	500
26. Miscellaneous	230
27. Supreme Court	509
28. Law Officers of the Crown	1,744
29. Crown Solicitor	542
30. Prothonotary	191
31. Master in Equity and Lunacy	426
32. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles	2,333
33. Patents	280
34. Sheriff	2,818
36. County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions	3,155
37. Police Magistrates and Wardens	1,641
38. Clerks of Courts	1,697
39. Coroners	1,009
41. Treasury	2,201
42. Income Tax	990
43. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons	140
44. Government Printer	10,079
45. Advertising	500
47. Transport, &c.	300
48. Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure	500
51. Miscellaneous	20
52. Advance to Treasurer	200,000
53. Defence	11,210
54. Survey, Sale, and Management of Crown Lands	6,382
55. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves	60
56. Botanical and Domain Gardens	726
57. Expenses of carrying out the Land Tax Act	110
58. Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals	2,050
59. Acquisition of Land for closer settlement	70
60. State Forests and Nurseries	1,630
61. Village Settlements and Labour Colonies	500
62. Miscellaneous	500
63. Public Works	2,587
64. Miscellaneous	173
65. Works and Buildings	11,940
66. Defence Works and Buildings	1,100
67. Road Works and Bridges	1,500
68. Trade and Customs and Mercantile Marine	5,309
69. Ports and Harbors, Immigration, and Fisheries	2,260
70. Distilleries and Excise	800
71. Explosives	321
72. Marine Board	409
73. Miscellaneous	56
74. Post and Telegraph Offices	31,340
75. Telegraph Lines	3,000
76. Mail Service	8,300
77. Miscellaneous	23
78. Mines and Water Supply	3,113
79. Prospecting for Gold and Coal	200
80. Waterworks in Country Districts	170
81. Coliban, Geelong, and National Works	1,700
82. Miscellaneous	1,000
83. Agriculture and Industries	506
84. Experimental Cultivation	20
85. Vine Diseases Eradication	100
86. Diseases in Stock	463
87. Vegetation Diseases	203
89. Miscellaneous	3,000
90. Public Health	1,677
91. Victorian Railways	150,000
92. Miscellaneous	934
	£600,215

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

11. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
 On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Beazley also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

12. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Beazley reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
Resolved—That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1900–1901 the sum of £600,215 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.
 And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
 Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

13. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—Mr. Shiels then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

14. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make a further Appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa.

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 24th July, 1900.

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

15. **VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 5, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
 On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Beazley reported from a Committee of the whole House a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make a further Appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa.
 And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
 Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Salmon do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
 Mr. Shiels then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make a further Appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

16. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Brown,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Gair,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Moule.
Mr. McColl,	

Noes, 38.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Thomson.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next, and Nos. 3 to 9 inclusive until to-morrow.

18. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PROFIT OR LOSS ON MALLEE RAILWAYS.—Mr. Kerr moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the approximate profit or loss on the following railway lines from 1894 to 1899 :—Dimboola to Jeparit, Warracknabeal to Hopetoun, Donald to Birchip, Wycheproof to Sea Lake, and Boort to Quambatook. If special rates are charged on any of these lines, the amount of excess rates paid over and above ordinary rates to be specified on each line. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. EARNINGS OF MALLEE RAILWAYS.—Mr. Foster moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Taverner, That there be laid before this House a return showing the earnings of the following railways :—Dimboola to Rainbow, Wycheproof to Sea Lake, Boort to Quambatook and Ultima, and Birchip to Woomelang during the last financial year. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time. Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. And, on the further motion of Mr. McLean, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment. Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLean, read a third time. Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time. Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative. And, on the further motion of Mr. Irvine, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

7. **CREDIT FONCIER LOANS.**—Mr. Cook moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House the Savings Banks Acts should be so amended as to provide for Crédit Foncier loans to all classes of the community.
Mr. McLcan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 22nd August next.
8. **OVERTIME AND SUNDAY WORK IN THE GOVERNMENT WORKSHOPS.**—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to notice, That, in order to the preservation of the eight hours principle, this House affirms that overtime or penalty rates should be paid in the Government workshops with a view to discouraging overtime and Sunday work.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Sangster moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 22nd August next.
9. **RAILWAY SPARK ARRESTERS.**—Mr. McKenzie moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire as to whether a better “spark arrester” than the one now in use by the Railway Department could be adopted; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bowser, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Graves, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Morrissey, Mr. Sangster, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. H. R. Williams, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive and Nos. 7 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday next, and No. 6 until Wednesday, 29th August next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

THURSDAY, 26TH JULY, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1899.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
Water Act 1890.—Yea Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £400.
3. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Watt 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.
4. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Irvine, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—
Clause 1, sub-section (2), line 11, insert " August."
Clause 3, line 20, omit " this " and insert " the said."
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Gillies 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.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 31ST JULY, 1900.

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

2. ASSASSINATION OF THE KING OF ITALY.—Mr. McLean moved, by leave, That this House do agree to the following Resolution :—

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our profound indignation and sorrow at the assassination of His Majesty the King of Italy.

We deeply sympathize with the widowed Queen and the other members of the Royal Family in the cruel bereavement which has been inflicted upon them, and with the people of Italy in the lamented death of their beloved King.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean then moved, That the House do agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to forward, by cable, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies the accompanying Resolution for presentation to the Queen, with an expression of a respectful hope that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to give instructions for its communication to the Queen Dowager of Italy.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

3. PETITION.—Mr. Hamilton presented a Petition from Andrew Dempster, gas engineer, of 379 Bourke-street, Melbourne, praying that the House will remit to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways the question of the suitability of Dempster's Patent Incandescent Light for railway carriage lighting, with a view to affording the Petitioner the relief he seeks by such public trial and exhibition as will enable him to establish the statements contained in his Petition.

On the motion of Mr. Hamilton, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

4. MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Railway Communication with Mildura and Yelta; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

7. PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays,*" be now read a first time.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

9. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes,*" be now read a first time.

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

10. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLean, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 6.

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

"*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one.*"

"*An Act to provide for a Victorian Naval Contingent for service with Her Majesty's Royal Navy or Army in China.*"

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 26th July, 1900.

11. PAPERS.—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Public Service Board.—Report.

Settlement on Lands Act 1893.—Report of Proceedings taken under the Provisions of the *Settlement on Lands Act 1893* during the financial year ended 30th June, 1900.

State Forests and Timber Reserves.—Eleventh Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.—Fire-Protection in Country Districts: Being a Report on the measures necessary to prevent the Careless Use of Fire or the Spread of Bush or Grass Fires on Public and Private Lands.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

12. NEWTOWN AND PITFIELD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

13. **FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. McLean, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Trenwith reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 10 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
15. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in adopting the Resolution of Sympathy with the Italian Nation on the assassination of His Majesty the King and of condolence with Her Majesty the Queen Dowager and the other members of the Royal Family; also with the Address to the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting His Excellency to forward such Resolution to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to the Queen, and that they have filled up the blanks in the said Resolution and Address with the words "Legislative Council and the."

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Treasury Bonds Act 1898'*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DEATH OF THE DUKE OF SAXE-COBURG AND GOTHA.—Mr. McLean moved, by leave, That this House do agree to the following Address to Her Majesty the Queen :—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, beg to express our heartfelt sympathy with Your Majesty in the sorrow which has fallen upon you by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

The intelligence of his sudden demise has been received with the keenest regret by all classes of the community in this part of Your Majesty's dominions.

We desire also to offer our condolence to Her Royal Highness the Duchess, and to the family of the late Duke on their irreparable loss.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean then moved, That the House do agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

The Legislative Assembly of Victoria respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate, by cable, to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies the accompanying Address of Condolence, for presentation to Her Majesty the Queen, on the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

THURSDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
 - Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Victorian Military Forces.—Alteration of Regulations.—Part III.—Militia Forces.—Section III.—Medical Staff.—Order in Council.
 - Public Service Act 1890.—Regulations.

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

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 7.*

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Classification of Municipal Districts.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 31st July, 1900.

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

4. MUNICIPALITIES RECLASSIFICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 7, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Graham, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Classification of Municipal Districts.

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

Ordered—That Mr. Graham and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. Graham then brought up a Bill intituled "A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment and the Classification of Municipal Districts," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

5. RAILWAY SPARK ARRESTERS.—Mr. McKenzie moved, by leave, That leave be given to the Select Committee appointed to inquire as to whether a better “spark arrester” than the one now in use by the Railway Department could be adopted to report the minutes of evidence from time to time. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, until Wednesday, 15th August instant.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying that the Penny Postage rate may be re-established in Victoria, were presented :—

By Mr. Gillott—

From the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of the Ballarat Chamber of Manufactures and Commerce.

By Mr. Langdon, for Mr. Carter—

From the Vice-President and Members of Committee of the Victorian Hardware Association.

From the President and Members of Council of the Victorian Employers' Union.

Mr. Deakin presented a Petition from John Robertson, of Moonee Ponds, praying that the House will appoint a Committee to investigate the validity of his contention that Christianity will not stand thorough historical and scientific investigation.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 8.

The Lieutenant-Governor begs to transmit to the Legislative Assembly a copy of a telegraphic despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies relative to the Address of Condolence with Her Majesty the Queen and Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha upon the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Government House,
Melbourne, 7th August, 1900.

[Copy.]

Telegram from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 3rd August, 1900.

Her Majesty commands me to express Her gratitude for loyal and sympathetic Resolution from Legislative Assembly.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Irvine presented—

Federal Electorates—Supplementary Rolls.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 24th July, 1900, for a return showing the approximate number of voters likely to be added by the Supplementary Rolls to each proposed Federal constituency.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Customs and Excise Duties Act 1890.—Minor Articles.—Rollers (Porcelain) and Pins (Brass) for Hand-power Butter-workers.

Explosives Act 1890.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Commissioner for Trade and Customs on the working of the Explosives Act during the year 1899.

5. **FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying that the Penny Postage rate may be re-established in Victoria, was presented :—
By Mr. Madden—
From the President and Secretary of the Victorian Chamber of Manufactures, under the common seal of the said Corporation.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same was read :—
JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor. *Message No. 9.*
The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Assembly that he has, on this day, at the Law Courts, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—
“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Treasury Bonds Act 1898.’* ”
“ *An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Railways and for other purposes.* ”
Government Offices,
Melbourne, 7th August, 1900.
4. PAPER.—Mr. Outtrim presented—
Earnings of Mallee Railways.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 25th July, 1900, for a return showing the earnings of the following railways :—Dimboola to Rainbow, Wycheproof to Sea Lake, Boort to Quambatook and Ultima, and Birchip to Woomelang, during the last financial year.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
7. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Police Offences Act 1890*.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Graves and Mr. Gillott do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Graves then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to further amend the ‘ Police Offences Act 1890,’* ” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd August instant.
8. EIGHT HOURS LEGALIZATION BILL.—Mr. Beazley moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Methven, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to make eight hours a legal day’s work.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Methven, Mr. Beazley, and Mr. Cook do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Beazley then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make Eight Hours a Legal Day’s Work,* ” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd August instant.

9. RETURNED SOLDIERS PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.—Mr. McGregor moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable returned Victorian soldiers to be appointed to the Public Service.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McGregor and Mr. Sadler do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McGregor then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to enable returned Victorian Soldiers to be appointed to the Public Service,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd August instant.
10. GAME ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Gurr, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Game Act 1890*.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Gurr, Mr. Higgins, and Mr. Burton do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Higgins then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Game Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd August instant.
11. REGISTRATION OF FIRMS ACT 1892 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Registration of Firms Act 1892*.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Higgins and Mr. McGregor do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Higgins then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Registration of Firms Act 1892,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 22nd August instant.
12. REFORM OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Higgins moved, pursuant to amended notice, That in the opinion of this House a measure should be submitted, before the establishment of the Commonwealth and before the Federal elections, for the reform of the Legislative Council.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Bennett moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
And, after debate—
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Bailes,	Mr. Leven,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. J. W. Mason,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. White.
Mr. Holden,	
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 17.

Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Hamilton,	
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Lawson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Higgins,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Toutcher.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 5th September next.

13. RAILWAY PORTER MCHALE.—Mr. Bennett moved, pursuant to amended notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the dismissal of Porter McHale from the Railway Department, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bromley, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Maloney, Mr. Moule, Mr. Wilkins, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.

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

W. V. ROBINSON,
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

THURSDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
 - Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Further Regulations to be adopted for Safety of the Public.
 - Post Office Acts.—Exchange of Parcels with Hong Kong *viâ* Queensland.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 1.
4. MOOROOPNA RACE-COURSE RESERVE SALE BILL.—Mr. Morrissey moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the sale of the Mooroopna Race-course Reserve.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Ordered—That Mr. Morrissey and Mr. J. W. Mason do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 - Mr. Morrissey then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to authorize the Sale of the Mooroopna Race-course Reserve*,” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 29th August instant.
5. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
 - Debate ensued.
 - Question—put and negatived.
 - Mr. Shiels moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 - Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 4.
8. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 - Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 3 and Nos. 5 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Mr. Shiels moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for Edmund Barton, Esquire, Q.C., of Sydney.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same were read :—

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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1899–1900.

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 10.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Year 1899–1900, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 9th August, 1900.

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ESTIMATES OF THE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1901.

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 11.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year 1900–1901, in lieu of the Estimate of Expenditure for the first month of the Year 1900–1901, transmitted on 24th July, 1900, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 9th August, 1900.

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

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Shiels presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1899.—Part III.—Population.
(Exclusive of Municipal Finances.)

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

Public Service Reclassification Board.—Report.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate Cremation and for other purposes*," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th August, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

8. CREMATION BILL.—Mr. Watt moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to regulate Cremation and for other purposes*," be now read a first time.

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

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petition, praying that the Penny Postage rate may be re-established in Victoria, was presented :—

By Mr. Gurr—

From the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of the Council of the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Gurr presented a Petition from the Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Town of Geelong, under the common seal of the said Corporation, praying that the House will take into consideration the wish of the Geelong people to have the name "Geelong" adopted as the name of the electorate of which the Town of Geelong forms a part under the Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.

On the motion of Mr. Gurr, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the foregoing Petitions to be read.

The Petitions were read by the Clerk.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Outtrim presented—

Narrow-gauge Railways.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 11th July, 1900, for a return showing—

1. The length of narrow-gauge lines constructed and the cost of each line.
2. The length of narrow-gauge lines in course of construction and the estimated cost of such lines.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Report of the Council of Defence.

4. RAILWAY PORTER MCHALE.—Mr. Bennett moved, by leave, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the dismissal of Porter McHale from the Railway Department have leave to report the minutes of evidence from time to time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. McKenzie moved, That the said Order be discharged and that the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Craven,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Keys,	Mr. Austin,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Bailes.

Noes, 38.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Toucher,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Methven,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Mr. Speaker thereupon left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
7. **NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Cook moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Question—put. The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toucher,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Gair.

Noes, 34.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Beazley,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. White,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Keys,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Grose,
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Thomson.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Resolved—That this House will, on Wednesday, 26th September next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 2 and Nos. 8 to 21 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 29th August instant; No. 3 until Wednesday, 12th September next; and Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive until Wednesday, 26th September next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

THURSDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. Shiels presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Refrigerating Stores and Central Wine Depôt—Royal Commission on.—Report on Central Wine Depôt, with Synopsis of Evidence and Appendices.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS BILL.—Sir George Turner, for Mr. Best, moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to election expenses, preferential voting, and proportional representation.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Best, Sir George Turner, and Mr. Deakin do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Election Expenses Preferential Voting and Proportional Representation,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. LAND ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Land Acts and for other purposes.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Land Acts and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
6. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Shiels moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 21ST AUGUST, 1900.

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

2. PAPERS.—Mr. McColl presented—

Land Act 1898.—Part III.—Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Closer Settlement.—Copy of a Provisional Contract made by the Minister of Lands on behalf of the Board of Land and Works with the British and Australasian Trust and Loan Company (Limited), dated the 6th day of August, 1900, for the purchase of the Walmer Estate for the purpose of Closer Settlement; together with a Statement giving the particulars prescribed by Section 155 of the *Land Act* 1898 in respect of the Land included in the said Provisional Contract.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations for Rifle Clubs.—Order in Council.

Land Acts.—Alteration of Regulations under the Land Acts.—State Forests and Wombat State Forest.—Order in Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st August, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

4. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" be now read a first time.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st August, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

6. INSOLVENCY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to further amend the Law relating to Insolvency,'*" be now read a first time.

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

7. ARMS EXPORTATION PROHIBITION BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for the prohibition of the exportation of arms, ammunition, and certain other articles to China.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. Shiels do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

8. RAILWAYS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Railways Acts and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Railways Acts and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

9. COAL MINES BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to coal mines.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Coal Mines,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2.

11. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put,

The House divided.

Ayes, 52.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Toutcher.

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Mr. Austin,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Cameron,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Chiruside,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. White.
Mr. J. Harris,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Moule.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.

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

12. **VOTING BY POST BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.
 On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.
13. **MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY.**—Mr. Outtrim, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a line of railway from Moe to Walhalla be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 7 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
15. **PUBLIC AND BANK HOLIDAYS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Irvine, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Peacock reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Irvine, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 9 to 12 inclusive, and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Irvine moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Shiels moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PETITION.—Sir John McIntyre presented a Petition from John Wood Beilby, of Beechworth, praying that the House will be pleased to take his claims as a pioneer of Victorian bush settlement into favorable consideration.
On the motion of Sir John McIntyre, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. H. R. Williams rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The action of the Railways Commissioner in abolishing picnic excursion fares on certain public holidays."
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—
Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
5. WALMER ESTATE.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolution :—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Walmer Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 21st day of August, 1900.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
7. GOVERNMENT SERVANTS WORKING SEVEN DAYS A WEEK.—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of Government servants working seven days a week.
 2. The nature of the work they perform.
 3. The extra pay, if any, paid for such service.
 Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. RAILWAY CARRIAGE LIGHTING.—Mr. Burton moved, pursuant to notice, That the following questions be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, with a view to the said Committee reporting upon such questions to this House at an early date :—

1. The cost of all buildings, plant, and appliances and all other expenses incurred for the production, compression, and use of the Pintsch Light now running on the railway carriages, with 10 per cent. added for renewals and repairs, together with the cost of fuel, oil, and wages proportioned to show the exact running cost per lamp per burning hour.
2. The relative particulars of the Dempster Patent Incandescent Light for similar installation and running cost, together with the comparative illuminating powers, safety, and suitability of both these systems of railway carriage lighting.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Burton moved, by leave, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the following questions :—

1. The cost of all buildings, plant, and appliances and all other expenses incurred for the production, compression, and use of the Pintsch Light now running on the railway carriages, with 10 per cent. added for renewals and repairs, together with the cost of fuel, oil, and wages proportioned to show the exact running cost per lamp per burning hour.
2. The relative particulars for similar installation and running cost, together with the comparative illuminating powers, safety, and suitability, of other systems of railway carriage lighting.

Such Committee to consist of Mr. Anderson, Mr. Gillott, Mr. McArthur, Mr. McGregor, Mr. McLeod, Mr. J. B. Tucker, Mr. Vale, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. RAILWAY COMMUNICATION WITH MILDURA.—Mr. Levien moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Langdon, That there be laid before this House a copy of the letters referred to in the following paragraph as set out on page xiv of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Railway Communication with Mildura and Yelta as submitted to this House on the 31st July last :—“The letters dated 16th September from the Commissioner and the Chief Traffic Manager and the letter dated 26th September from the Engineer-in-Chief.”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Trenwith moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Irvine moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 12th September next.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday next, and No. 9 until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.
2. ABSENCE OF MR. SPEAKER.—The Clerk having, at the Table, informed the House that Mr. Speaker was unavoidably absent, the Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker.
3. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Proposed Railway from Moe to Walhalla; together with the Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Shiels presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Aborigines.—Thirty-sixth Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.
Mr. Outtrim presented—
Railway Communication with Mildura.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 22nd August, 1900, for a copy of the letters referred to in the following paragraph as set out on page xiv of the Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Railway Communication with Mildura and Yelta as submitted to this House on the 31st July last:—"The letters dated 16th September from the Commissioner and the Chief Traffic Manager and the letter dated 26th September from the Engineer-in-Chief."
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—
Post Office Acts.—Exchange of Parcels *via* Marseilles.
Water Acts—
Arapiles Shire Council and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Application of Municipal Funds.
Benjeroop and Murrabit Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
Regulation for fixing Charges for Water for 1900.
Charlton Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £1,000.
Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Increase of Trust District.—Order in Council.
Echuca Borough Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £750.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Murray also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. SUPPLY.—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1899–1900.—Mr. Murray reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £174,302 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1899–1900, viz.:—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 1.		
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowances to Witnesses attending Committees and Expenses incidental to Committees ... ..	...	11
—————		
DIVISION No. 2.		
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Temporary Clerical Assistance	44	
Charwomen, Lift Attendant, and other Temporary Non-Clerical Assistance	25	
		69
—————		
DIVISION No. 3.		
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
SALARIES.		
<i>Read</i> —		
One Fourth Class Clerk, from 1st November, 1899	£134	
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Incidental Expenses, including Allowances to Witnesses	350	
	£484	
<i>In lieu of</i> —		
Incidental Expenses, including Allowances to Witnesses	£250	
		234
—————		
DIVISION No. 4.		
VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses'	25	
Typewriting and Reporting Assistance	230	
		255
—————		
DIVISION No. 6.		
REFRESHMENT ROOMS.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Wages of Staff ... ..	...	200

	£	£
DIVISION No. 9.		
ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Telegrams, Stores, Stationery, Books, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals including temporary allowance to Female Housekeeper in lieu of quarters, Orderly's Allowance, Flags, and Office Stationery for His Excellency the Governor	1,700	
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INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND SHOPS.		
Subdivision No. 7.		
SALARIES.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Chief Inspector of Factories (short provided)	5	
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Female Inspector of Factories, from 17th May	17	
FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.		
Subdivision No. 9.		
SALARIES.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Acting Registrar for Friendly Societies (one month), £16 13s. 4d.	17	
		1,739
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DIVISION No. 10.		
GOVERNMENT STATIST.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses	125
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DIVISION No. 11		
POLICE.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Rewards for the Apprehension of Offenders	200

DIVISION No. 12.		£	£
PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.			
SALARIES.			
<i>Read—</i>			
Subdivision No. 1.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
One Governor of Gaol † (for one month)...	...	...	£49
Subdivision No. 2.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
One Governor of Gaol † (for eleven months)	...	...	436
			485
<i>In lieu of—</i>			
Subdivision No. 1.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
One Governor of Gaol †	...	...	£485
Subdivision No. 2.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
<i>Read—</i>			
Four Governors of Gaols †*—One at £234, three at £225	...	...	£909
One Deputy Governor ††	...	...	275
One Senior Chief Warder †§	...	...	225
<i>In lieu of—</i>			
Four Governors of Gaols †—One at £234, three at £225	...	...	909
One Deputy Governor †	...	...	275
One Senior Chief Warder †	...	...	225

DIVISION No. 13.			
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.			
Subdivision No. 3.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
One Attendant Artisan (Male) Soapmaker, Kew (for six months)	Maximum £ 144
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DIVISION No. 15.			
PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
Four Junior Assistants (three at £40 per annum, viz., one from 4th April, one from 12th April, and one from 23rd April; one at £112 per annum from 15th May)	41
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
One Attendant (from 6th June)	Maximum £ 100
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NOTES.

Senior Nurse, Idiot Asylum.—To be paid from 1st January, 1900, at the rate of £66 per annum.

No Attendant to be paid less than £66 per annum from and after 1st January, 1900.

* Senior Warders Acting as Governors of Gaols to be paid at the rate of £200 per annum from 1st January, 1900.— †With quarters, fuel, light, water, and prisoner servants, as provided by gaol regulations.— ‡ Overseer acting as Deputy Governor to be paid at the rate of £240 per annum from the 1st January, 1900.— § Senior Warder acting as Senior Chief Warder to be paid at the rate of £200 per annum from 1st January, 1900.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 15.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
Curator of the Industrial and Technological Museum, and of the Geological Collection of the National Museum, from 14th May (£39 10s. 4d.)	40	
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
National Museum—Towards defraying the expenses of the passage from London of an Osteologist and Articulator (£149 12s.)	150	237
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DIVISION No. 16.		
GOVERNMENT SHORTHAND WRITER.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Clerical Assistance]	96
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DIVISION No. 17.		
AUDIT OFFICE AND PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
SALARIES.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Fifth Class Clerk (from 19th May 1900)	5	
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Fuel, Stores, Incidentals, &c.	50	
Expenses in connexion with the Clerical and Non-Clerical Examination	200	
	250	255
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DIVISION No. 21.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 3. Commissions and Boards of Inquiry	600	
13. Gratuity to the Widow of the late Constable John McCaig (£203 18s. 1d.), and to John McCaig, father of the deceased (£40), £243 18s. 1d.	244	
14. Annual Allowance, from 1st January, 1900, to Miss E. Fleming, late Sub-Matron of the Female Prison, Pentridge, in addition to her pension (£2 12s. 3d.)	3	
15. Expenses incurred in the representation of Victoria at the International Commercial Congress, Philadelphia, October, 1899 (£343 4s. 3d.)	344	
16. Amount paid into Court in Settlement of the case <i>Hitchcox v. The Queen</i> (£19 18s. 10d.)	20	
17. Expenses of the Victorian Delegation in connexion with the passing through the Imperial Parliament of the Commonwealth Bill	1,000	
	2,211	2,211
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Total Chief Secretary	5,698

II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

	£	£	
<p>DIVISION No. 22.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EDUCATION.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SALARIES.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.—<i>Educational Class.</i></p> <p>Allowance to Second Lecturer, Training College, in lieu of board and residence 21</p> <p>Subdivision No. 3.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLERICAL DIVISION.</p> <p>Allowance to three Fifth Class Clerks—one at £10 per annum, from 1st April, 1900 ; one at £18 per annum, from 1st April, 1900 ; and one at £18 per annum, from 28th April, 1900 11</p>			32
<hr style="width: 10%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>DIVISION No. 23.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">EDUCATION.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.—<i>Instruction.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Read—</i></p> <p>General—Teachers (including increased payments to Pupil Teachers, in accordance with sections 8 and 9 of Act No. 1642, from 1st January to 18th February, 1900),</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>In lieu of—</i></p> <p>General—Teachers.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONTINGENCIES.</p> <p>Bonuses for qualifying Pupil Teachers for admission to the Training College 330</p> <p>Subdivision No. 3.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BUILDINGS.</p> <p>Rents 800</p>			1,130
<hr style="width: 10%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>DIVISION No. 25.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.</p> <p>To be paid in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council—</p> <p>For Maintenance and Buildings 75</p>			75
<hr style="width: 10%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>DIVISION No. 26.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MISCELLANEOUS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(To remove a surcharge of the Commissioners of Audit.)</i></p> <p>No. 3. To satisfy claim against G. Lupton for the balance of amount advanced for railway ticket, £37.</p> <p>4. To pay Railway Department for construction of bridge over railway at Tuaggra-street, Maryborough, near State School, £202 Os. 11d. 203</p> <p>5. To pay expenses in connexion with the engagements of Miss Hooper, Organizer and Instructress in Kindergarten, and Mr. Byatt, Organizer and Instructor in Hand and Eye and Manual Training, and the cost of their passages from England, £143 12s. 8d. 144</p>			347
Total Minister of Public Instruction ...	...	1,584	

III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 27.		
SUPREME COURT.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
One Chief Clerk, acting, under Supreme Court Rules, at £800 per annum, from 23rd April, 1900 (£151 2s. 3d.)	152
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DIVISION No. 28.		
LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 5.		
One Prosecutor for the Queen at £860 per annum, from 1st July, 1899, to 24th August, 1899 (£108 13s. 1d.)	109	
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Victorian Law Reports, Law Times, &c., including Books and Reports for Library	500	609
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DIVISION No. 29.		
CROWN SOLICITOR.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Travelling, and Incidental Expenses	100
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DIVISION No. 32.		
REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.		
Subdivision No. 7.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Temporary Clerical Assistance and Temporary Draughtsmen ...	843	
Purchase of Parchment for Certificates of Titles, Check Surveys, and Lithographing, and Works of Reference for Library	200	
Fuel, Light, Water, and Stores, including Cases for Register Book, and Incidental Expenses	250	
	—————	1,293

	£	£
DIVISION No. 34.		
SHERIFF.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Court-keeper, Crier, and Messenger, from 14th June, at £156 per annum (£7 7s. 4d.)	8	
Subdivision No. 3.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowances to Witnesses at the Supreme Court Sittings for the hearing of Criminal trials	500	
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Wages of Charwomen	250	
Refund to Bailiffs of Guarantee Premiums when their gross receipts do not amount to £65	110	
	860	
		868
DIVISION No. 34A.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Refund of amount overpaid by the Indemnity Mutual Marine Assurance Company Limited for Stamp Duty on the business of the company for the year 1898—Rucker and Mackenzie, agents	182	
Refund of amount overpaid by the Union Marine Insurance Company Limited for Stamp Duty on the business of the company for the year 1898—James Bell and Company, agents	200	
Remission of penalty paid on Transfer, Barton to Barton, dated 23rd August, 1899—Robert Barton, claimant (3s. 8d.)	1	
Remission of penalty paid on Conveyance, Kerr and others to Kerr—Marshall Lyle, claimant	5	
Remission of portion of penalty paid on Conveyance and Release, dated 24th June, 1897, Tennyson with Wharton and others—Bolger and Miller, claimants	4	
Remission of portion of penalty paid on an Agreement for Lease, dated 26th February, 1895, Hudson to Dudfield—James Ker Beck Plummer, agent	4	
Remission of penalty paid on Transfer, Heath to Heath, dated 17th May, 1898—J. Rogers May, claimant	5	
Remission of portion of penalty paid on Transfer, Tame to Brown, dated 11th December, 1896—F. D. Jones, claimant	5	
Remission of portion of penalty paid on Transfer, Benson to Benson, dated 11th September, 1897—Sutherland and Macfarlane, claimants	4	
Remission of portion of penalty paid on Settlement, Chapman and Quinn, dated 18th April, 1898—Stillman and Roberts, claimants	5	
Remission of portion of penalties paid on Declaration of Trust and Conveyance, Andrews to Andrews, dated 18th September, 1897—R. H. Andrews, claimant (£7 1s. 11d.)	8	
Remission of portion of penalty paid on Transfer of Shares, Densham to Densham, dated 3rd August, 1899—Simpson and Bayles, claimants	4	
Refund of penalty paid on Declaration of Trust, The Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company and Robena Corrigan, dated 21st October, 1899—Nunn, Smith, and Jeffreson, claimants (£13 15s. 1d.)	14	
Refund of fine imposed upon Heinrich Kühne for non-attendance as a Juror at the Sittings of the Supreme Court at Horsham, on 29th March, 1900	2	
Gratuity to M. A. Brennan, Assistant in Attorney-General's Office, from 1st July to 31st December, 1899	13	
Gratuity to W. Butterley, Lift Attendant, Crown Law Offices, from 1st January to 30th June, 1900 (£3 5s.)	4	
		460
Total Attorney-General	...	3,482

IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

	£	£
<p>DIVISION No. 35.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF INSOLVENCY, COURTS OF MINES, GENERAL AND PETTY SESSIONS.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SALARIES.</p> <p>One Judge (acting), at £1,500 per annum, from 31st January, 1900 (£629 Os. 8d.) 630</p> <p>Subdivision No. 4.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONTINGENCIES.</p> <p>Allowances to Witnesses at General and Petty Sessions, and at Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries, in accordance with the Regulations of the Governor in Council 400</p> <p>Travelling Expenses of Clerks of Courts, including the Travelling Expenses of those who act at more than one Court 250</p> <p>Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses for Courts in Melbourne and throughout the colony 250</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 10%;">900</p> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 10%;">1,530</p>		
<p>DIVISION No. 36.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">POLICE MAGISTRATES AND WARDENS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SALARIES.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.</p> <p>One Police Magistrate (acting), at £850 per annum, for February, 1900 (£70 16s. 8d.) 71</p> <p>One Police Magistrate, at £750 per annum, from 28th June, 1900 (£6 5s.) 7</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 10%;">78</p>		
<p>DIVISION No. 37.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLERKS OF COURTS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SALARIES.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLERICAL DIVISION.</p> <p>One 5th Class Clerk, at £200 per annum, from 1st March, 1900 (£66 13s. 4d.) 67</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/>		
<p>DIVISION No. 38.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CORONERS.</p> <p>Subdivision No. 2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONTINGENCIES.</p> <p>No. 2. Surgeons—Remuneration to, for each <i>post-mortem</i> examination by dissection, £2 2s.; and £1 1s. for attendance, &c., at each Inquest or Inquiry and Adjournment, with Travelling Expenses at the rate of 1s. per mile from usual place of abode to place of intended Inquest or Inquiry, one way only, subject to the payment of special fees in exceptional cases under the authority of the Minister 600</p> <p>3. Jurors' Fees 75</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> <p style="text-align: right; margin-right: 10%;">675</p>		

DIVISION NO. 38A.

MISCELLANEOUS.

	£	£
To recoup Samuel R. Rothwell, Esq., J.P., amount of expenses incurred by wrongful issue of a warrant (£8 3s.)	9	
Refund of fine imposed upon George Henry Dickason for non-attendance as a witness at the Court of Petty Sessions, Melbourne, on 17th May, 1899	1	
Refund of three fines at £2 each, also portions of six fines at 30s. each, for breach of <i>Income Tax Act</i> 1895	15	
Refund of three fines at 10s. each, also portion of one fine £1, for breach of the <i>Health Act</i> 1890	3	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Robina Brown versus George Brown</i> , maintenance order	25	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Bertha Zeinert versus Hermann Schubert</i> , maintenance order	20	
Refund of portion of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Police versus Alexander Dunsmore</i>	8	
Refund of amount of estreated recognisance in the matter <i>Leah Southorn versus Phillip Day</i> , maintenance order	10	
Refund of portion of fine imposed upon John March for breach of the <i>Trade Marks Act</i> 1890	6	
Refund of portion of fine imposed upon F. Smith for breach of the <i>Beer Duty Act</i> 1890	1	
Allowance to Ambrose Noonan, 5th Class Clerk in the office of the Official Accountant, for loss of quarters, &c., through transfer to Law Department	32	
Allowance to W. J. Timbs, Messenger and Crier, Insolvency Court, Melbourne, for performing extra duties, at £6 per annum, from 1st January, 1900	3	
		133
Total Solicitor-General ...		2,483

V.—TREASURER.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 39.		
TREASURY.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Fifth Class Clerk, from 2nd April, 1900	10	
Allowance to Receiver and Paymaster, Warracknabeal, at £24 per annum, from 1st June, 1900	2	12

DIVISION No. 40.		
INCOME TAX OFFICE.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Forty-two Fifth Class Clerks, including increment at the rate of £20 per annum to Mr. T. Robertson, from 24th October, 1899.		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Forty two Fifth Class Clerks.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores and Stationery, Incidental and Travelling Expenses, Clerical Assistance, and Gratuities to Officers transferred from Railway Department ... ..	...	90

DIVISION No. 42.		
GOVERNMENT PRINTER.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
	Maxi- mum.	
	£	£
<i>Read—</i>		
One Senior Messenger*	156	162
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
One Senior Messenger	156	162
Subdivision No. 3.		
Printers—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, including Printing of Electoral Rolls and Printing under Contract	3,664	
Bookbinders—Apprentices and Occasional Hands, &c., and Binding under Contract	730	
Subdivision No. 4.		
	4,394	
Paper and Parchment	300	

DIVISION No. 45.		
Transport, Samples, and Marine Insurance ... ..	...	1,500

DIVISION No. 46.		
Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure ... ..	...	500

DIVISION No. 47.		
Allowance to Railway Department for carriage of Grain at reduced Rates	45,000	
Allowance to Railway Department for Carriage and Use of Victorian Coal	2,500	

		47,500

* To be paid at the rate of £168 per annum from 1st January, 1900.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 48.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 2. Expenses in connexion with the Maffra Beet Sugar Factory ...	1,900	
5. Brokerage on sale of Victorian Government 3 per cent. Inscribed Stock (local issue)	900	
6. Allowances to old Pioneers—		
To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Russell, from 1st March to 10th April, 1900, at the rate of 30s. per week; and to Mrs. Robert Russell, from 11th April, 1900, at the rate of 20s. per week	£20 7 1	
To Mr. James Kirby, from 1st March, 1900, at the rate of 20s. per week	17 8 7	
To Mr. Thomas Bates, from 1st March, 1900, at the rate of 20s. per week	17 8 7	
To Mr. John Wood Beilby, from 1st March, 1900, at the rate of 20s. per week	17 8 7	
	£72 12 10	
	73	2,873
Total Treasurer ... ..	...	57,169

VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 50.		
DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Three Fifth Class Clerks (short provided)	10	
Subdivision No. 7.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Temporary Assistance	50	
Stationery, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals	50	
	100	
Subdivision No. 16.		
RIFLE CLUBS.		
SALARIES.		
One Fourth Class Clerk, from 7th June, 1900	14	
Two Fifth Class Clerks, one from 21st June, 1900, and one from 19th June, 1900	8	
	22	
CONTINGENCIES.		
Incidentals	50	
	72	
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Gratuity to widow of late Sergeant-Major J. Murray, Victorian Permanent Artillery, equal to nine months' pay (£143 4s. 6d.) ...	144	
Compensation to W. M. Garden, Store Assistant, Ordnance Branch, for injury sustained on duty	85	
Compensation to J. Scarffe, late Store Assistant, Ordnance Branch, for personal injuries and loss of office, in full payment of all demands £600 Less already provided	300	
Compensation to E. W. Elton, Able Seaman, Naval Forces, for injury sustained on duty	375	
To Jane Wragge Corrigan, amount of Unclaimed Militia Pay due to her late brother, Henry Corrigan, formerly an Engineer in the Naval Brigade (£7 10s.)	8	
To Colonial Ammunition Company Limited, Refund of Duty (£70 10s. 5d.)	71	
To Railway Department, Passes issued to Members of Intercolonial Rifle Teams (£119 0s. 11d.)	120	
Expenses in connexion with the Celebration of the Relief of Mafeking	500	
	1,603	

							£	£
DIVISION No. 50.								
Subdivision No. 24.								
PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.—HEAD-QUARTERS STAFF.								
SALARIES.								
<i>Read—</i>								
One Major-General Commanding, at £1,250 per annum, to 27th December, 1899; one Major-General Commanding, at £1,250 per annum, from 16th November, 1899							£1,393	
<i>In lieu of—</i>								
One Major-General Commanding, to termination of engagement							625	
								768
Subdivision No. 31.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	250	
Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	200	
								450
Subdivision No. 33.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Fuel, Stores, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	3,053
Total Minister of Defence								3,053

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 51.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Four Fourth Class <i>f</i> Draughtsmen, 1st Grade (one to 10th May, 1900)		
One Fourth Class Draughtsman from 11th May, 1900		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Four Fourth Class <i>f</i> Draughtsmen, 1st Grade.		
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DIVISION No. 57.		
VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS AND LABOUR COLONIES.		
Labour Colonies	215
—————		
DIVISION No. 58.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses of Engine-driver, West Melbourne Swamp ...	25	
9. To pay purchase money in connexion with the sale to the Crown of the Falls Site at Trentham	700	
10. To provide for repairs to the road leading from Inglis-street to the Sand Ground at Port Melbourne	230	
11. To refund to W. Slocum portion of fine (£10) imposed on him by the Honorable the Minister of Lands for illegally destroying the timber on his 67th section holding in the parish of Moormbool East	5	
12. To pay to Mary Tampling purchase money in connexion with sale to the Crown of allotments 12, 13, and 14, section 54, township of Macedon	75	
13. To pay to R. L. Gurden purchase money in connexion with sale to the Crown of allotment 16, section 54, township of Macedon	25	
14. To Deakin Shire Council to assist in constructing channel to convey water to the Echuca Village Settlement, on condition that an equal amount be spent by the Shire Council, £83 5s. 10d.	84	
15. To relieve Canon Tucker and Dr. Chas. Strong of their remaining liability in connexion with the Tucker Village Settlements, £157 10s.	158	
16. To J. S. B. Orr as compensation for the resumption for Township Purposes of 64 acres of land out of allotment 663, county of Karkaroc, township of Woomelang	32	
17. Expenses in connexion with closer settlement of land	50	
18. To Daniel Clereahan, foreman gardener, Metropolitan Parks and Gardens, compensation, equal to one month's pay for each year of service, 27 years 5 months 12 days, £281 14s.	282	
19. To James O'Brien, foreman gardener, Metropolitan Parks and Gardens, compensation, equal to one month's pay for each year of service, 32 years 8 months 17 days, £333 17s. 4d.	334	
20. To pay for provisions, &c., supplied to flooded-out settlers at Koc-wee-rup	100	
		2,100

	£	£
<i>To satisfy Queries of Commissioners of Audit.</i>		
DIVISION No. 51.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Five Assistant Surveyors		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Five Assistant Surveyors (two to 8th October, 1899).		
Subdivision No. 5.		
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
<i>Read—</i>		
Three Clerks ...	£310	
Ten Draughtsmen ...	1,580	
	£1,890	
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Three Clerks ...	£290	
Ten Draughtsmen ...	1,600	
	1,890	
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DIVISION No. 52.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
<i>Read—</i>		
One Gardener	} £264
One Labourer ...	...
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Two Gardeners ...	...	264
<i>To remove a Surcharge of the Commissioners of Audit.</i>		
To pay salaries to J. G. Brocklebank and H. S. Dixon, foresters, from 1st November, 1899, to 31st December, 1899, at the rate of £134 per annum.		
Total Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey	...	2,315

VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 59.		
PUBLIC WORKS.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Travelling Expenses	600
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DIVISION No. 60.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 2. To defray accounts rendered by the Railway Department for passes issued to the Unemployed, &c.	260
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DIVISION No. 61.		
WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
WHARFS, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.—(<i>Inalterable</i>).		
No. 8. Repairs to Wharf, Port Albert	39	
15. Towards Extension of Wharf, Apollo Bay	239	
	278	
Subdivision No. 6.		
COURT HOUSES—(<i>Inalterable</i>).		
No. 1. Erection of Court Houses for the holding of Courts of Assize, General and Petty Sessions, County Courts and Courts of Mines, Morgues, and for Sheriffs' and Keepers' Quarters, including Repairs and Additions, Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing	100	
Subdivision No. 16.		
STATE SCHOOL BUILDINGS—(<i>Inalterable</i>).		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c.; also Furnishing and Maintenance of Training College and Grounds	6,000	
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS—(<i>Inalterable</i>).		
No. 11. Improvement of Reilly-street Drain	190	
12. Towards cleansing of Moonee Ponds and constructing Side Channels	600	
14. Towards assistance for Sludge Channels and Main Drains ...	1,144	
<i>Read—</i>		
23. Towards clearing and improving Merri Creek		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
23. Fitzroy and Collingwood Cities and Northcote and Brunswick Towns—To assist in clearing and improving Merri Creek.		
	1,934	8,312

	£	£
DIVISION No. 62.		
DEFENCE WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
No. 3. Expenses in connexion with the blowing up of the Hulk <i>City of Melbourne</i> , at Geelong	318
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DIVISION No. 63.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
No. 44. Moiety of cost of maintaining Murray River Bridges (short provided)	196	
49. Avoca Shire—To assist in constructing the deviation on Main Road from Ararat to Avoca, Council to expend £95 additional	95	
50. Benalla Shire—To assist in executing works on the Main Mansfield and Toombullup Roads, Council to expend £257 19s. additional (£257 19s.)	258	
51. Corio and Bannockburn Shires—To assist in constructing bridge over the Moorabool River, Councils to expend two-thirds of the cost of the work in addition (£625 13s. 8d.)	626	
52. Creswick Shire—To assist in constructing Wheeler's Bridge at Birch Creek, Council to expend £642 10s. additional (£642 10s.)	643	
53. Coburg Shire—To assist in executing works on roads leading from Pentridge Stockade, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
54. Grenville Shire—To assist in constructing Pitfield Bridge, Council to expend £100 additional	100	
55. Heytesbury Shire—To assist in constructing roads in forest country, Council to expend £113 1s. 1d. additional (£113 1s. 1d.)	114	
56. Kerang Shire—To assist in constructing road in the Parish of Kerang, Council to expend £100 16s. 11d. additional (£100 16s. 11d.)	101	
57. Nunawading and Ferntree Gully Shires—To assist in constructing a bridge over the Dandenong Creek on the L.L. Vale-road, Councils to expend £60 additional	60	
58. Portland Shire—To assist in constructing roads to and on the Condah Swamp, Council to expend £300 additional	300	
		2,743
Total Commissioner of Public Works ... ..	...	12,233

IX.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 64.		
TRADE AND CUSTOMS AND MERCANTILE MARINE.		
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses in connexion with protection of the Revenue	500	
Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, Incidental Expenses	200	
		700
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DIVISION No. 67.		
EXPLOSIVES.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, &c.	50
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DIVISION No. 68.		
MARINE BOARD.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses Court of Marine Inquiry	300	
Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling, Legal, and Incidental Expenses	50	
		350
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DIVISION No. 69.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensations, and Gratuities—(<i>Inalterable</i>):—		
(6) Gratuity to the Widow of the late Arthur Turner, formerly a Locker (nine months' pay)	£148 10 0	
(7) Gratuity to the Widow and Children of the late W. C. L. King, to be vested in Trustees appointed by the Governor in Council (nine months' pay)	363 15 0	
	512 5 0	
		513
2. Refund of duty paid under exceptional circumstances:—		
(2) On 100 sheep for Salvation Army Christmas dinner to poor		10
3. Refund of licence-fee on still not used		10
4. Refund to the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners of amount paid into the Consolidated Revenue, being the difference between one-fifth of the gross amount collected by them from 1st April, 1899, to 31st March, 1900, and one-fifth of amount of net collections after Drawback on Wharfage had been deducted		
	£1,262 7 1	1,263
		1,796
Total Commissioner of Trade and Customs ... ..	...	2,896

X.—POSTMASTER-GENERAL.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 70.		
POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One 3rd Class Inspector, Post and Telegraph service (arrears) ...	261	
Sixteen 3rd Class <i>f</i> Postmasters (arrears)	122	
Four 5th Class <i>f</i> Sellers of Stamps (<i>c</i>)	3	
	386	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Four hundred and forty-five Letter-carriers and Stampers at from £6 per month to 57s. per week (arrears)	1	
Seven Carpenters, Carpenter's Assistant, and Ship Carpenter at from £8 per month to 60s. per week (arrears)	6	
<i>Read—</i>		
Four hundred and forty-five Letter-carriers and Stampers at from £6 per month to 57s. per week.		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Three hundred and ninety-two Letter-carriers and Stampers at from £6 per month to 57s. per week.		
<i>Read—</i>		
Three hundred and thirty Telegraph Messengers at from £2 to £5 per month.		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Two hundred and fifty-six Telegraph Messengers at from £2 to £5 per month.		
	7	
Subdivision No. 5.		
<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
<i>Read—</i>		
Eight Telephone Switch-board Attendants (<i>a</i>) at from £8 10s. per month to £100 per annum.		
<i>In lieu of—</i>		
Eight Telephone Switch-board Attendants (<i>a</i>) at from £8 10s. per month to £94 per annum.		
Subdivision No. 6.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Special Allowances to Postmasters—Walhalla, at £20	10	
		403
DIVISION No. 71.		
TELEGRAPH LINES.		
No. 2. Telephone Exchanges, Telephones, Battery Materials, Cables, Wire, &c.		5,200

DIVISION No. 73.

MISCELLANEOUS.

	£	£
No. 3. To pay Timothy Howard, 4th Class Operator, personal expenses incurred whilst travelling on special duty on the Continent (short provided)	107	
4. Contribution by the Colony of Victoria towards expenses of the International Telegraph Bureau at Berne, including expenses of remitting the same for year 1899	53	
5. To pay John Murray, a temporary employé, in full of all demands for injuries sustained during the execution of his duty at the General Post Office	100	
6. Refund to Manager, Commercial Bank of Australia Limited, Melbourne, of penalty paid on "General Lien," Lambie to Commercial Bank	5	
7. Refund to Percy T. Park portion of penalty paid on "Articles of Clerkship," Hamilton with Park and Park	4	
8. Refund to William J. P. Fitzgerald of portion of penalty paid on "Articles of Clerkship," Moloney with Ievers and Fitzgerald	4	
9. Refund to F. C. Purbrick of portion of penalty paid on "Articles of Clerkship," Purbrick and Briggs	4	
10. Refund to Gillott, Bates, and Moir of penalty paid on "Deed," Butler to Forsyth	5	
11. Refund to Herald and Roberts of penalty paid on "Deed of Covenant," Finlayson to Lang and others	2	
12. Refund to Halkett Dawson of portion of penalty paid on "Articles of Clerkship," Sonenberg with Dawson	4	
13. Refund to E. S. Cahill of penalty paid on "Articles of Clerkship," Roberts and Cahill	5	
		293
Total Postmaster-General		5,896

XI.—MINISTER OF MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 74.		
MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.		
SALARIES.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
One f Junior Draughtsman (short provided)	6	
Subdivision No. 4.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Bailiff (short provided)	6	
One Senior Messenger (short provided)	1	
		13

DIVISION No. 77.		
COLIBAN, GEELONG, AND NATIONAL WORKS.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NATIONAL WORKS.		
Material, Wages, Contingencies, and all other Expenses in connexion with the Management and Maintenance of Goulburn System of National Works	100	
Broken River Works	50	
		150

DIVISION No. 78.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 3. Travelling and other Expenses attending Examinations of Engine-drivers	150	
8. Refund to Henry Boll of balance of deposit of £5, the amount having been transferred to Revenue	4	
9. Gratuity to Mr. Percy Whitton for special services in connexion with the Water Bill 1900	100	
		254
Total Minister of Mines and Water Supply ...		417

XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 79.		
AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES.		
Subdivision No. 3.		
CLERICAL DIVISION.		
Allowance to Mr. J. H. Mullaly for acting as Accountant to Department of Agriculture	100	
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Travelling Expenses, Stores, Books, Instruments, and Incidentals ...	400	
		500
DIVISION No. 82.		
DISEASES IN STOCK.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
One Inspector of Stock, from the 1st May, 1900 ... ..	...	23
DIVISION No. 85.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
For payment of expenses in connexion with the export of Dairy Produce, Fruits, Honey, Meat, Rabbits, Poultry, and other Products	6,500	
For payment of expenses in connexion with Mr. Taverner's visit to France and Switzerland to inquire <i>re</i> Phylloxera Vine Disease ...	262	
		6,762
Total Minister of Agriculture ... ..	...	7,285

XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 86.		
PUBLIC HEALTH.		
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses, Board of Public Health, including Travelling Expenses of Inspectors	150	
Stores, Stationery and Printing, and Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals	100	
Expenses in connexion with the stamping out of Contagious Diseases	5,700	5,950
Total Minister of Health ... ..	...	5,950

XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

DIVISION No. 87.					£	
VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.						
Working Expenses of all Lines during the Year 1899-1900:—						
Locomotive charges	...	...	...	...	45,000	
Traffic charges	...	...	...	...	10,000	
						55,000
DIVISION No. 88.						
MISCELLANEOUS.						
No. 4. To provide for the difference between the amount of pension due and the minimum of £30 per annum payable to certain officers who have retired under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135, since 29th January, 1895 ...					30	
6. Gratuities in cases of Officers retired, &c. (calculated at rate of one month's pay for each year of service) :—						
		Total.	Paid out of Special Appropriation.		Balance.	
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
Bannister, Thomas	...	215 1 8	105 12 9		109 8 11	
Crook, Charles	...	257 17 9	117 7 6		140 10 3	
Darke, George	...	148 2 1	82 3 3		65 18 10	
Fisher, John	...	239 7 7	117 7 6		122 0 1	
Ferguson, George	...	464 12 1	164 6 6		300 5 7	
Gillespie, James	...	616 5 4	164 6 6		451 18 10	
Gallagher, Alexander	...	205 0 0	109 10 0		95 10 0	
Games, James	...	222 5 7	105 12 9		116 12 10	
Grice, Henry Edmond	...	135 8 6	68 8 9		66 19 9	
Lee, Henry	...	193 19 11	82 3 3		111 16 8	
Lester, Alfred	...	268 15 4	117 7 6		151 7 10	
Mackay, Andrew David	...	316 12 5	113 3 6		203 8 11	
Meade, Thomas	...	160 4 6	82 3 3		78 1 3	
Miller, William	...	351 12 1	111 10 1		240 2 0	
Mugeli, Edward	...	211 0 6	75 5 8		135 14 10	
McGrath, Cornelius	...	203 9 8	105 12 9		97 16 11	
McDougall, John Johnson	...	569 14 8	176 1 3		393 13 5	
Nelson, Peter	...	170 14 11	93 18 0		76 16 11	
O'Loughlen, Peter	...	156 7 3	82 3 3		74 4 0	
O'Brien, Michael	...	203 14 3	82 3 3		121 11 0	
Ryan, John	...	311 2 2	105 12 9		205 9 5	
Thomas, Howell	...	235 4 6	105 12 9		129 11 9	
Winter, Thomas Robert	...	162 14 1	88 0 8		74 13 5	
Walsh, Thomas	...	317 5 8	108 15 0		208 10 8	
Bell, Edward (widow of)	...	233 2 5	117 7 6		115 14 11	
Cosgrove, John (widow of)	...	184 9 11	82 3 3		102 6 8	
Carroll, Andrew (widow of)	...	84 10 6	68 8 9		16 1 9	
Doyle, James Drummond (widow of)	...	1,295 14 0	375 0 0		920 14 0	
Donnelly, James (widow of)	...	52 6 7	48 13 4		3 13 3	
Fraser, William (widow of)	...	161 7 3	76 5 10		85 1 5	
Fitzsimmons, Thomas (widow of)	...	391 11 3	129 2 3		262 9 0	
Laidlaw, William (widow of)	...	212 10 8	203 9 10		9 0 10	
Phillips, Thomas James (widow of)	...	378 12 2	164 6 6		214 5 8	
Ross, Robert (widow of)	...	564 7 9	243 15 0		320 12 9	
Smith, John McBain (widow of)	...	129 16 1	68 8 9		61 7 4	
Williams, John (widow of)	...	464 13 1	164 6 6		300 6 7	
Curran, Robert (mother of)	...	292 14 3	105 12 9		187 1 6	
Locke, Joseph (daughter of)	...	291 2 4	286 18 4		4 4 0	
Graham, Bridget (executor of)	...	105 13 5	58 13 9		46 19 8	
Hands, John (executor of)	...	331 13 3	93 18 0		237 15 3	
Down, Frederick Samuel (trustees of)	...	487 18 9	243 15 0		244 3 9	
O'Shea, James (trustees of)	...	544 7 11	206 5 0		338 2 11	
					7,242 5 4	7,273

	£	£
DIVISION No. 88.		
No. 7. Compensation, Gratuities, &c., awarded in cases of Officers injured or killed whilst in the execution of their duties :—		
To Owen Jones, supernumerary labourer, for injuries received whilst on duty at Newport, on 5th May, 1899	£212 3 4	
To Elizabeth Alexander, widow of the late Joseph Alexander, who was killed whilst on duty in Melbourne Yard, on 3rd February, 1900	175 0 0	
To Elizabeth Neep, widow of the late Francis Neep, supernumerary labourer, who was injured whilst on duty at Port Melbourne, on 4th March, 1897	100 0 0	
To Neil McInnes, and Hannah Hart, as trustees for the late William Hart, ganger, who died from injuries received whilst on duty at Violet Town, on 21st June, 1899 ...	250 0 0	
To George Scott, gateman, who was injured whilst on duty at Middle Brighton, on 22nd October, 1899	300 0 0	
To Sarah Fricker, widow of the late Thomas George Fricker, clerk, who was killed whilst on duty at Glenferrie Station, on 27th May, 1900	230 0 0	
	<u>£1,267 3 4</u>	1,268
No. 10. Towards compensating persons interested in certain land taken by the Board of Land and Works, under Act No. 1273, in connexion with the construction of the Donald and Birchip Railway. The decision of the Minister for Railways as to the persons interested and the amount to be paid to each to be final, viz.:—		
In respect of land being part of allotment 2, parish of Karyrie, county of Karkaroc ...	£175 0 0	
In respect of land being part of allotment 3B and 3F, parish of Narraport, counties of Borung and Karkaroc	125 0 0	300
		<u>8,841</u>
Total Minister of Railways		63,841

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

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

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £950,459 be granted to Her Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1900–1901, viz. :—

Division No.	£
1. Legislative Council	195
2. Legislative Assembly	1,890
3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways	90
4. Victorian Parliamentary Debates	650
5. The Library	420
6. Refreshment Rooms	200
7. Water Power for Parliament House	40
8. Parliament Gardens	72
9. Administrative and Scientific	4,685
10. Government Statist	3,340
11. Police	45,500
12. Penal Establishments and Gaols	8,815

Division No.	£
13. Hospitals for the Insane	18,140
14. Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools	10,420
15. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery	3,560
16. Government Shorthand Writer	435
17. Audit Office and Public Service Board	1,680
18. Aborigines	955
19. Exhibitions	315
21. Miscellaneous	1,385
22. Education	5,585
23. Do.	90,795
24. Melbourne University	1,315
25. Technical Schools	4,000
26. Miscellaneous	450
27. Supreme Court	792
28. Law Officers of the Crown	2,494
29. Crown Solicitor	986
30. Prothonotary	371
31. Master in Equity and Lunacy	722
32. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles	4,770
33. Patents	510
34. Sheriff	3,142
36. County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions	4,187
37. Police Magistrates and Wardens	3,182
38. Clerks of Courts	3,394
39. Coroners	1,518
41. Treasury	4,502
42. Income Tax	1,950
43. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons	283
44. Government Printer	22,505
45. Advertising	1,000
46. Grant to Charitable Institutions	30,000
47. Transport, &c.	500
48. Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure	1,000
51. Miscellaneous	40
53. Defence	21,830
54. Survey, Sale, and Management of Crown Lands	10,901
55. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves	842
56. Botanical and Domain Gardens	1,333
57. Expenses of carrying out the Land Tax Act	145
58. Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals	1,405
59. Acquisition of Land for closer settlement	80
60. State Forests and Nurseries	3,904
61. Village Settlements and Labour Colonies	500
62. Miscellaneous	500
63. Public Works	5,170
64. Miscellaneous	260
65. Works and Buildings	24,930
66. Defence Works and Buildings	2,500
68. Trade and Customs and Mercantile Marine	10,418
69. Ports and Harbors, Immigration, and Fisheries	5,025
70. Distilleries and Excise	1,550
71. Explosives	602
72. Marine Board	668
73. Miscellaneous	112
74. Post and Telegraph Offices	62,680
75. Telegraph Lines	7,505
76. Mail Service	16,600
77. Miscellaneous	46
78. Mines and Water Supply	6,500
79. Prospecting for Gold and Coal	500
80. Waterworks in Country Districts	400
81. Coliban, Geelong, and National Works	4,500
82. Miscellaneous	2,500
83. Agriculture and Industries	1,012
84. Experimental Cultivation	30
85. Vine Diseases Eradication	250
86. Diseases in Stock	826
87. Vegetation Diseases	406
89. Miscellaneous	6,038
90. Public Health	3,365
91. Victorian Railways	450,000
92. Miscellaneous	1,846
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	£950,459

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

8. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

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

Mr. Murray also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Murray reported from the Committee of Ways and Means certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

Resolved—That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1899–1900 the sum of £174,302 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

Resolved—That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1900–1901 the sum of £950,459 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing resolutions.

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

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

11. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).**—Mr. Shiels then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th August, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th August, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

14. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

Voting by Post Bill—Third reading.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Ordered—That the Bill, as further amended, be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

16. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Best moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Irvine moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

W. D. BEAZLEY,
Deputy-Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petition, praying that the Penny Postage rate may be re-established in Victoria, was presented :—
By Mr. Gillott—
From the President, Vice-President, and Members of Council of the Law Institute of Victoria.
Mr. Downward presented a Petition from certain settlers of the Garfield portion of Koo-wee-rup Swamp, praying that inquiry may be made by Select Committee or otherwise as to their position, and that steps be taken to save them from being forced to leave their holdings in a penniless condition after years of toil.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. RAILWAY SPARK ARRESTERS.—Mr. McKenzie, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee on Railway Spark Arresters; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. RAILWAY PORTER McHALE.—Mr. Bennett, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee upon the case of Railway Porter McHale; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
5. TRAMWAYS ACT 1890 EXTENSION (ST. KILDA) BILL.—Sir George Turner moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of the *Tramways Act 1890* to the municipality of St. Kilda within certain limits.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Sir George Turner and Mr. Peacock do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Sir George Turner then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to extend the provisions of the 'Tramways Act 1890' to the Municipality of St. Kilda within certain limits,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 10th October next.
6. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—Mr. Shiels moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the surplus revenue of the financial year ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Shiels then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Irvine, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

8. **WALMER ESTATE.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the following resolution :—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Walmer Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 21st day of August, 1900—having been read—

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

10. **TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Sterry, read a third time.

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

Clause 1, line 5, omit “shall be known and” and insert “may be.”

Clause 2, line 7, omit “A traction engine within the meaning of this Act shall be” and insert “In this Act the words ‘traction engine’ shall mean.”

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

Clause 2, line 9, after “machinery” insert “or for haulage purposes.”

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

Clause 4, line 17, omit “No traction engine shall travel” and insert “It shall not be lawful for any person to drive a traction engine.”

„ line 19, after “attached” insert “to the motor.”

Clause 6, line 1, omit “No traction engine shall travel” and insert “It shall not be lawful for any person to drive a traction engine.”

„ line 3, omit “same” and insert “engine.”

Clause 7, line 5, omit “No traction engine shall travel” and insert “It shall not be lawful for any person to drive a traction engine.”

„ lines 6 and 7, omit “and on no account shall steam be allowed to escape or blow off” and insert “or allow steam to escape or blow off in any street road or highway.”

„ lines 8 and 9, omit “rendering it necessary to stop on the road.”

Clause 8, line 10, omit “No traction engine shall travel” and insert “It shall not be lawful for any person to drive a traction engine.”

On the motion of Mr. Grose, clause 9 was omitted.

Mr. Grose offered the following new clause to be inserted in place of clause 9 :—

9. (1) The weight of any traction engine or which may be carried on ^{Weights to be} any vehicle drawn by a traction engine on any street road or highway ^{carried.} shall not exceed the weight next mentioned (that is to say) :—For each ^{See No. 1431 s. 4.} wheel of such traction engine or vehicle a total weight of five and a half hundredweight avoirdupois for each half-inch of bearing surface of the tire or felloe. In computing the weight carried on any such vehicle the weight of the vehicle shall in all cases be counted as part of the weight.

(2) In this section the words “width of bearing surface” mean the actual width of the bearing surface of the tire or felloe that would actually come in contact with or bear upon a hard smooth level surface when the wheels are attached to the axle and ready for use.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to apply to the conveyance of any piece of heavy machinery which cannot be taken apart without great loss or expense.

(4) Any owner of a traction engine who permits and any driver of a traction engine who causes such traction engine or any vehicle drawn by such traction engine of a greater weight than that allowed by this Act to travel on any street road or highway shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

And the said clause was read a second and third time and added to the Bill.

On the motion of Mr. Irvine, clause 11 was omitted.

Mr. Irvine offered the following new clause to be inserted in place of clause 11 :—

Traction engines may not be driven except during daylight, that is to say, between the rising and setting of the sun, and before driving a traction engine through any city town or borough the owner or driver shall give not less than two or more than twenty-four hours' notice to the mayor or town clerk thereof of his intention so to do, stating the direction in which he intends to drive the engine. On receiving such notice the mayor or town clerk may direct the owner or driver to drive the engine along or through any practicable street or road in the direction indicated, and the driver or owner shall obey all such reasonable directions. In no case shall the traction engine be driven through any city town or borough at a greater pace than two and a half miles per hour. Any driver of a traction engine who omits to give the notice required by this section, or who permits such engine to travel or drives such engine by any other route than that directed, or otherwise in contravention of the provisions of this section, shall be guilty of an offence against this Act.

And the said clause was read a second time.

Mr. Methven moved, That the clause be amended by the omission of the words "Traction engines may not be driven except during daylight, that is to say, between the rising and setting of the sun, and," in lines 1 and 2.

And, after debate—

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

Mr. Moule moved, That the clause be further amended by the omission of the word "or" after "town," in line 3.

And, after debate—

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Burton,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Thomson.

Tellers.

Noes, 38.

Mr. Anderson,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. White.
Mr. Keys,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McArthur,	

Tellers.

Mr. Forrest,
Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Moule moved, That the words "or shire" be inserted after "borough," in line 3.

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

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

Line 4, after "town clerk" insert "or shire secretary."

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

Line 5, after "engine" insert "provided that written notice addressed to the said mayor or town clerk or shire secretary at the municipal office and delivered there by post or otherwise within the times aforesaid shall be deemed sufficient notice for the purposes of this section."

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

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

Clause 12, page 2, line 38, omit "man in charge" and insert "driver."

" page 2, line 41, omit "he or the owner" and insert "such owner driver or person."

" page 3, line 2, omit "city town borough or shire" and insert "municipality."

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

Clause 12, page 3, line 2, after "municipality" insert "or member of the police force."

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

Clause 12, line 3, omit "their respective boundaries" and insert "the boundaries of such municipality."

" lines 4 and 5, omit "city town borough or shire as the case may be" and insert "municipality."

Clause 13, line 8, omit "man in charge or owner" and insert "owner or driver."

" line 9, omit "before leaving the bridge or culvert so damaged" and insert "forthwith."

" lines 9 and 10, omit "an obstruction or."

" line 10, omit "position" and insert "part so."

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

Clause 13, line 11, omit "not," and in the same line omit "required by the council to repair same but" and insert "liable to repay to the council the cost of repairing the same and."

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

Clause 13, line 13, after "shire" insert "in which such bridge or culvert is situate"; omit "and such a."

" line 17, omit "culvert or other defects of the road" and insert "or culvert."

Clause 14, lines 20 and 21, omit "city town borough or shire" and insert "municipality."

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

Clause 14, line 22, omit "Twenty" and insert "Five."

" lines 25 and 26, omit "but in any case and whenever issued it shall terminate on the thirty-first day of December in each year."

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

Clause 14, line 26, after "may" insert "subject to the provisions of this Act."
 " lines 27 and 28, omit "to any person who being the holder thereof shall not have committed an offence against this Act."

Mr. Sangster moved, That the following words be added to clause 14 :—

"Provided that notwithstanding anything contained in this section a duly certificated engine-driver shall be capable of driving such traction engine without the licence referred to."

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

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

Clause 15, line 29, before "Any" insert "Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained."
 " lines 29 and 30, omit "forty-six of the Act No. 1243" and insert "one hundred and ninety-one of the *Local Government Act* 1890 as amended by section forty-six of the *Local Government Act* 1891."

Clause A, line 1, omit "No traction engine shall travel" and insert "It shall not be lawful for any person to drive a traction engine."

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

11. VICTORIAN POSTAGE RATE.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That as the financial control of our Postal Department will, almost immediately, under Federation pass from our Government and be transferred to the Commonwealth it is essential, in the opinion of this House, that our postage rate should be made uniform with that of New South Wales, in order that our industries and commercial enterprises may not be more severely handicapped than theirs, as in New South Wales the penny postage system is largely adopted—having been read—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Watt moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Wednesday, 12th September next.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 to 27 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 12th September next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
Water Act 1890.—Shire of Numurkah Waterworks Trust.—Additional Loan of £6,000.
3. NIGHT TRAIN FROM MARYBOROUGH TO ST. ARNAUD.—Mr. Duggan moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The cost for the last six months of its running of the 10 p.m. train from Maryborough to St. Arnaud.
 2. The gross revenue derived by running such train for the same period.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and negatived.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. WALMER ESTATE.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration in Committee of the whole House of the following resolution :—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Walmer Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 21st day of August, 1900—having been read—
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Beazley reported from a Committee of the whole House a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
Resolved—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Walmer Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 21st day of August, 1900.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

6. **WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.**—Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 Mr. McColl moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. McColl moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. McColl, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
 On the motion of Mr. McColl, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. McColl moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McColl, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 16 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CORRECTIONS IN VOTING BY POST BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly,*" viz. :—

In the title the following words have been added, "and in the Legislative Council."
In clause 22, line 27, the words "voting paper" have been omitted and "ballot-paper" inserted.

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

3. CORRECTIONS IN TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines,*" viz. :—

In clause 8, line 10, the word "a" has been omitted and "any" inserted.
In the new clause inserted in place of clause 11, in line 42, the words "or shire secretary" have been inserted after "town clerk."

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

4. CORRECTIONS IN WALMER ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received the following Report from the Clerk of the House :—

Parliament House,
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honour to report that I have made the following corrections in the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate,*" viz. :—

In clause 5, line 22, after "Part III." the word "of" has been inserted.
In the Schedule, page 2, line 5, the word "Land" has been omitted and "Lands" inserted.
In the Schedule, page 3, paragraph 1, the word "fault" has been omitted and "default" inserted.
In the Schedule, page 4, the words "Registered Book" have been omitted and "Register Book" inserted.
In the Schedule, page 4, the form in which the signatures are affixed to the Agreement has been corrected so as to make it correspond with the form in the Provisional Contract placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 21st day of August, 1900.

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

5. PAPERS.—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Observatory.—Thirty-fourth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st March, 1899, to 31st March, 1900.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st July, 1899, to 31st December, 1899.

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account, from 1st January, 1899, to 31st December, 1899.

Mines Acts.—Alteration of Regulations relating to Mining Leases.—Order in Council.

Post Office and Telegraph Department—Report upon the Affairs of the, for the year 1899.

6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1900.—SPECIAL BOARDS TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.—Mr.

McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of printing (including book binding).

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a pastrycook.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of cutting, carving, polishing, and letter-cutting in marble and stone.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a cooper.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of millet-broom making.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a saw-mill, timber-yard, box factory, or joiner's work-shop.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. SPECIAL RAILWAY RATES.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of whether the special rates in force on the railways constructed subject to the conditions of the *Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1893* should, having regard to the future development of traffic on the railway system, be continued in force, or be discontinued or modified in their application, be referred to the Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. PUBLIC SERVICE RECLASSIFICATION BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill providing for the reclassification of the Public Service and for other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill providing for the Reclassification of the Public Service and for other purposes*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

9. BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

10. **WINE ADULTERATION BILL.**—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to prevent the adulteration of wine.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Graham and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Graham then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to prevent the Adulteration of Wine,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. **MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.**—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to indemnify the councillors of various municipalities for borrowing moneys by overdrafts on bankers for the purposes of their municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890*.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Graham and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Graham then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the ‘Local Government Act 1890,’*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
12. **RAILWAY SPARK ARRESTERS.**—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the sum of £50 be fixed by this House as the maximum expenditure to be incurred in connexion with the Royal Commission appointed on the 23rd August, 1900, to inquire and report as to whether a better spark arrester than the one now in use by the Railway Department could be adopted.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. **MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and One thousand nine hundred,*” without amendment.
 Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.
- W. A. ZEAL,
 President.
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one*” without amendment.
 Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.
- W. A. ZEAL,
 President.
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield*” without amendment.
 Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.
- W. A. ZEAL,
 President.
15. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,**
 The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Hospitals and Charities Act 1890,’*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
 Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.
- W. A. ZEAL,
 President.
16. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Mr. Shiels moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Hospitals and Charities Act 1890,’*” be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 4th September, 1900.

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

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. J. B. Tucker presented a Petition from James Grant, mining expert, of South Melbourne, praying that the House will consider his allegations respecting the action of the Mines Ventilation Bonus Board with reference to his proposals for the ventilation of mines.
On the motion of Mr. J. B. Tucker, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act.—63 & 64 Vict., Ch. 12.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to construct a line of railway from Moe to Walhalla.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Moe to Walhalla.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Watt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Watt moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Watt, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Rawson reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. SOUTH AFRICA MILITARY SERVICE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. In the title, after "Public Service" add the words "and for other purposes."
2. Clause 3, page 2, line 14, at end of clause add "given before or after such resignation or withdrawal."
3. Clause 6, line 46, at end of clause add "given either before or after such resignation or withdrawal."
4. After clause 6, add the following new head-line and clause :—

PART III.—ELECTORAL.

- A. For the purposes of sections fifty-one, sixty-three, one hundred and twenty-eight, one hundred and forty, one hundred and forty-six, or two hundred and forty-four of The Constitution Act Amendment Acts any period during which a person who has resided in Victoria is or has been absent from Victoria on military or naval service with Her Majesty's army or navy in South Africa or China (including travelling thereto and therefrom) shall be treated as residence in Victoria.

Effect of absence on service or right to vote &c.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 to 3 agreed to.

Amendment 4 agreed to with the following amendments :—

In the head-line to clause A omit "ELECTORAL."

In clause A, line 4, after "Acts" insert "and for the purpose of section eight of the *Income Tax Act 1895*."

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

9. GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. Irvine moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for giving precedence to Government Business on Wednesday be suspended, so as to allow the third Order of the Day, Government Business, to be dealt with.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 5, omit this clause.
2. Clause 7, line 13, after "practising" insert "barrister and."
3. " line 15, after "any" insert "barrister and."
4. Clause 10, omit this clause and insert the following new clause :—

- A. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Act all Rules Regulations or Orders made by the Supreme Court or any judges thereof by virtue of the provisions of any Act now or hereafter in force conferring power on the Supreme Court or any judges thereof to make Rules Regulations or Orders for the purpose of carrying any Act of Parliament into effect shall be published in the *Government Gazette* and shall take effect from such publication or from any later date prescribed in any such Rule Regulation or Order. All such Rules Regulations and Orders shall be laid before each House of Parliament within forty days next after they are so published if Parliament is then sitting or if Parliament is not sitting then within forty days after the commencement of the next ensuing session.
- (2) When any Rules Regulations or Orders are published as aforesaid the Governor may thereupon by Order in Council published in the *Government Gazette* suspend the operation of any such Rule Regulation or Order until the expiration of the next subsequent ten days on which each such House shall have sat after such Rules Regulations or Orders shall have been so laid before each House of Parliament, and any Rule Regulation or Order so suspended shall while so suspended be void and of no effect but without prejudice to the validity of any proceedings which may in the meantime before such suspension have been taken under the same.
- (3) After any such Rules Regulations or Orders shall have been laid before each House of Parliament if an address is presented to the Governor by either House of Parliament within the next subsequent ten days on which such House shall have sat praying that any Rule Regulation or Order so laid before such House may be annulled, the Governor may thereupon by Order in Council published in the *Government Gazette* annul the same; and any Rule Regulation or Order so annulled shall thenceforth become void and of no effect but without prejudice to the validity of any proceedings which may in the meantime have been taken under the same.

Rules &c. of Supreme Court to be published and laid before Parliament.

Power of Governor in Council to suspend Rules &c. during period within which they may be annulled.

Power to annul on address by either House.

5. After clause 10 insert the following new clause :—

- C. All proceedings to make rates and other moneys under the Local Government Acts a charge on any property shall be taken in the County Court.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

And, after debate—

Amendment 1 disagreed with.

Amendments 2 and 3 agreed to.

Amendment 4 agreed to with the following amendments:—In new clause A, sub-section (2), line 4, omit “ten” and insert “fourteen”; and in sub-section (3), line 3, omit “ten” and insert “fourteen.”

Amendment 5 disagreed with.

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 19 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of General Business.
12. EARLY CLOSING (SHOPS) BILL.—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill providing for the early closing of shops.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Mauger and Mr. Gray do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Mauger then brought up a Bill intitled “*A Bill providing for the Early Closing of Shops,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Wednesday, 19th September instant.
13. SENIORITY OF OFFICERS IN THE LAW DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Gray moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a list of all officers in the Law Department showing their exact relative seniority, such list to be numbered one and onward consecutively in order of seniority.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
14. CLAIMS OF OLD PIONEERS.—Sir John McIntyre moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Petition of John Wood Beilby and the claims of Messrs. Kirby and Bates, old pioneers, such Committee to consist of Mr. Dyer, Mr. Foster, Mr. R. Murray Smith, Mr. Styles, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; three to be the quorum.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
15. MR. WALTER REYNOLDS.—Mr. Graves moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a copy of all papers in connexion with the retirement of Mr. Walter Reynolds from the Railway Department.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYÉS WORKING MORE THAN EIGHT HOURS PER DAY.—Mr. Mauger moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of Government employés working more than eight hours per day and the nature of the duties they perform.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. REFORM OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That in the opinion of this House a measure should be submitted, before the establishment of the Commonwealth and before the federal elections, for the reform of the Legislative Council—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Trenwith moved, as an amendment, That the words “for the reform of the Legislative Council” be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words “to provide for a National Convention to draw up a new Constitution for Victoria.”
Debate continued.
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Mr. Madden moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.
Debate on main question continued.
Question—That in the opinion of this House a measure should be submitted, before the establishment of the Commonwealth and before the federal elections, for the reform of the Legislative Council—put and resolved in the affirmative.
18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 19 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

TUESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Watt presented a Petition from William Robinson, of the Immigrants' Home, Royal Park, Brunswick, parliamentary agent, praying that the House will assist him to better fare. Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Burton rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The want of action of the Mines Department in regard to the carrying out of the recommendations of the Mines Ventilation Bonus Board contained in the Second Progress Report regarding the Berry Consols Extended Mine, and also neglect in administering the ventilation provisions in the *Mines Act 1897*." Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—Mr. Burton moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued. Question—put and negatived.
4. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor were presented by Mr. McLean, and the same were read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 12.

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

"An Act for the prohibition of the exportation of Arms Ammunition and certain other Articles to China."

Law Courts,
Melbourne, 23rd August, 1900.

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 13.

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

"An Act relating to the observance of certain Public and Bank Holidays."

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One hundred and seventy-four thousand three hundred and two pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and One thousand nine hundred."

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and One thousand nine hundred and one."

Law Courts,
Melbourne, 29th August, 1900.

5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
 Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st December, 1899.
 Land Acts.—Addition to Regulations.—Fee for Charcoal Licence.—Order in Council.
 Water Acts—
 Marquis Hill Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
 Wycheproof Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £600.
6. RAILWAY CONNEXION IN NORTH-EASTERN AND CONTIGUOUS DISTRICTS.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting the North-Eastern, Goulburn Valley, and Northern main trunk lines by means of a railway be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.
8. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
9. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Irvine, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Nos. 4 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. JOHN HUNTER.—Mr. Moule moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House a copy of the papers relating to the case of John Hunter and the evidence taken at the hearing of the charge against him.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the electoral rolls for the Legislative Assembly.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intitled “*A Bill relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY.—Mr. Outtrim, in accordance with the requirements of the Railways Standing Committee Acts, moved, pursuant to notice, That the construction of a line of railway from Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
Debate ensued.
Mr. H. R. Williams moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
And, after debate—
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
5. RAILWAY COMMUNICATION WITH TOLMIE.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Tolmie by means of a railway with one of the existing lines be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.
7. ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Watt moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Watt, read a third time.
Mr. Maloney offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—
C. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act or this Act no municipal council shall transfer any legal powers given to such council by the Principal Act or by this Act or by any Order in Council thereunder or give its consent to the granting of any order under the Principal Act unless a poll of the ratepayers of such municipal district shall have previously approved of such transfer or of the granting of such order. Notice of intention to take such poll shall be advertised twice in some newspaper published in the municipal district (or if there is no newspaper published in the municipal district then once in the *Argus* newspaper and once in the *Age* newspaper). The votes of the ratepayers shall be taken upon the question in as nearly as possible the like manner as the votes of ratepayers desiring to forbid a council from proceeding further with a loan are taken under Part XI. of the *Local Government Act* 1890 and any enactment amending the same, and the said Part and any enactment amending the same and the Nineteenth Schedule to the said Act shall be read and construed with such substitutions as may be necessary for such purpose and any reference therein to the forbidding of a loan shall be deemed and taken to refer to the forbidding of the proposed transfer.

Mr. Maloney moved, That the said clause be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. McLean moved, by leave, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for giving precedence to Government Business on Wednesday be suspended, so as to allow the consideration of this Bill to be proceeded with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this clause :—

Line 4, omit “ unless ” and insert “ if forbidden by.”

Lines 4 and 5, omit “ shall have previously approved of such transfer or of the granting of such order ” and insert “ taken as herein provided.”

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

Line 8, after “ *Age* newspaper ” insert “ The majority of the votes of the ratepayers taken on such poll shall decide the question but in other respects.”

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

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

Clause 3, at the end of sub-section (2), add—

“ Provided that every council company or person applying for the approval of the Governor in Council to any such contract or assignment except in cases where such application has been made before the passing of this Act shall publish notice of such application by public advertisement in such manner and including such particulars as the Governor in Council may from time to time direct or approve ; and such order shall not be granted by the Governor in Council until after the expiration of a period of three months from the date of the first publication of such advertisement nor until opportunity has been given within such three months to all parties interested to make representations or objections to the Minister with reference to the application.”

Mr. Watt moved, That the following words be inserted in clause B, line 4, after “ week ” :—

“ Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment.”

Debate ensued.

Mr. Trenwith moved, That the following words be added to the proposed amendment :—

“ In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate.”

And, after debate—

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

And the amendment, as so amended, was agreed to.

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

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

9. **MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—

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

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. Hamilton moved, That the words “ and upon proof that such woman is enciente ” be inserted after “ bear,” in clause 4, line 3.

Debate ensued.

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

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

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 3.

11. **ST. KILDA LOAN ACT 1893 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—“ In my opinion this is a Private Bill.”

Sir George Turner moved, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

- Sir George Turner moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Sir George Turner, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir George Turner, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 On the motion of Mr. Maloney, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Maloney moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Maloney, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 4 to 30 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 26th September instant.
14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

THURSDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. ELECTORAL ROLLS (LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read.—Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. McLean, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. McLean moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLean, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
4. WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the construction of a line of railway from Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Keys,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 20.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Toutcher.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 21 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

6. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
 - . SPECIAL RAILWAY RATES.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Special Railway Rates ; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the Proposed Railway from Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta ; together with Appendices.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Irvine presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Technical Education, Royal Commission on.—Fourth Progress Report on Technical Education.
—Review of Progress and Condition of Agricultural Education in Great Britain, Europe, America, and the Australian Colonies.—Agricultural Education in Victoria—Report and Recommendations.—A General Council of Education.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the year ending 30th June, 1900.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.
6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. McLean, That leave of absence for the remainder of the Session be granted to the Honorable Member for Horsham, Mr. Brake, on account of urgent private affairs.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2.

(700 copies.)

8. PROPOSED VISIT OF THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK TO AUSTRALASIA.—Mr. Irvine informed the House that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor had forwarded to the Honorable the Premier a copy of the following telegram received by His Excellency the Governor of South Australia from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

“ Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to assent, on the recommendation of the Marquis of Salisbury, to the visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York to the colonies of Australasia in the spring of next year.

“ His Royal Highness the Duke of York will be commissioned by Her Majesty the Queen to open the first Session of the Parliament of the Australian Commonwealth in her name.

“ Although the Queen naturally shrinks from parting with her grandson for so long a period, Her Majesty fully recognises the greatness of the occasion which will bring her colonies of Australia into federal union, and desires to give this special proof of her interest in all that concerns the welfare of her Australian subjects.

“ Her Majesty the Queen at the same time wishes to signify her sense of the loyalty and devotion which has prompted the spontaneous aid so liberally offered by all the colonies in the South African war, and of the splendid gallantry of her colonial troops.

“ Her Majesty’s assent to this visit is, of course, given on the assumption that at the time fixed for the Duke of York’s departure the circumstances are as generally favorable as at present and that no national interests call for His Royal Highness’s presence in this country.”

9. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 1 and Nos. 3 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

 WEDNESDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PROPOSED VISIT OF THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK TO AUSTRALASIA.—Mr. Irvine moved, by leave, That this House do agree to the following Address to Her Majesty the Queen :—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our gratification at the intelligence which we have received of the intended visit to the Australasian Colonies, early next year, of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York.

The news has been hailed with enthusiasm by all classes of the community in this portion of Your Majesty's Empire.

The opening of the First Session of the Parliament of the Australian Commonwealth by His Royal Highness the Duke of York, on behalf of Your Majesty, as proposed, will give a dignity and lustre to the ceremonial which will render it memorable for all time in the history of the British race.

We are deeply sensible of the great sacrifice which Your Majesty is making in assenting to the Duke and Duchess of York undertaking a voyage to Australia, and also of the inconvenience and labour which the visit must necessarily entail on Their Royal Highnesses.

We cordially thank Your Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses for such a distinguished mark of Royal favour.

We most heartily appreciate the gracious terms in which Your Majesty has been pleased to communicate your message to the Australian Colonies, and especially the kindly recognition of the loyalty of these colonies as manifested in connexion with the South African war and the services rendered by the Australian troops in that campaign.

We fervently trust that no untoward circumstances will prevent the consummation of the contemplated visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York; that their brief sojourn here may be to them in every respect a happy one; and that on their return to England they will be able to personally assure Your Majesty of the continued loyalty and devotion of the people of Australia to Your Majesty's Throne and person.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Irvine then moved, That the House do agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Irvine presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Religious Instruction in State Schools—Report of the Royal Commission on.

Mr. Outtrim presented—

Night Train from Maryborough to St. Arnaud.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 30th August, 1900, for a return showing—

1. The cost for the last six months of its running of the 10 p.m. train from Maryborough to St. Arnaud.
2. The gross revenue derived by running such train for the same period.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service.*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they do not insist on another, and that they have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly on an amendment of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 18th September, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

6. FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTORATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 2, line 1, before "Act" insert "In this."

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

Schedule, omit "Boonurrong."

On the motion of Mr. Madden, the House agreed to insert "Flinders" in place of "Boonurrong" omitted.

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

Schedule, omit "Brunswick" and insert "Bourke."

Mr. Gurr moved, That "Corio" be omitted with a view to insert "Geelong" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. J. W. Mason moved, That "Indi" be omitted with a view to insert "Upper Murray" in place thereof.

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

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

Schedule, omit "Korangamite" and insert "Corangamite."

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

Schedule, omit "Marloo" and insert "Gippsland."

Mr. Morrissey moved, That "Wyuna" be omitted with a view to insert "Echuca" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the word "Echuca" be inserted in place of the word omitted—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Turner.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Tellers.
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Grose.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. White.
Mr. Holden,	
Mr. Irvine,	Tellers.
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Watt.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Schedule, omit "Yarra Yarra" and insert "Yarra."

On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House authorized the Clerk to alter the numbering and order of the electorates as set forth in the Schedule so as to arrange the several electorates alphabetically.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until to-morrow.
8. **LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
10. **CASE OF J. HALL.**—Mr. Maloney moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of J. Hall, who it is alleged was compelled to leave the Railway Department for tendering information to the Board presided over by Judge Casey, such Committee to consist of Mr. Fink, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Methven, Mr. Murray, Mr. Styles, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Wheeler moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Wheeler.
Mr. Gillies,	
Mr. Graves,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Sterry.
Sir John McIntyre,	

Noes, 47.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Mauger,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bailes,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Holden,	
Mr. Irvine,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Keys,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Murray.
Mr. Levien,	

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the case of J. Hall, who it is alleged was compelled to leave the Railway Department for tendering information to the Board presided over by Judge Casey, such Committee to consist of Mr. Fink, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Methven, Mr. Murray, Mr. Styles, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Wednesday next.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Irvine moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Moule presented a Petition from certain persons, praying that certain amendments may be made in the Public Accountants Bill.
On the motion of Mr. Moule, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. RAILWAY COMMUNICATION WITH WOOLAMAI, SAN REMO, AND CAPE PATTERSON.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of connecting Woolamai, San Remo, and Cape Patterson by means of a railway with the existing railway system be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
Mr. Irvine moved, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. CENSUS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Irvine, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with amendments.
On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Irvine, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

7. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 5 be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
On the motion of Mr. Outtrim, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Outtrim moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Outtrim, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 20 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Outtrim moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. AGRICULTURAL CHEMIST'S DEPARTMENT.—Mr. Fink moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The total expenditure in connexion with the Agricultural Chemist's Branch of the Department of Agriculture since its establishment in 1885, giving in detail the amount paid for salaries, rent, chemicals, apparatus, books, and travelling expenses; also cost of all experimental work in regard to crops, manures, beet sugar, tobacco, wine, &c., including all contingencies.
 2. The annual sum received by the Department for analyses of every description performed by the Agricultural Chemist or his staff from 1885 to the present date.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—
 - Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 31st March, 1900.
 - Public Service Act 1890.—Regulation.
 - Water Acts.—Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Orders in Council—
 - Increase of Trust District.
 - Control of Pyramid Creek.
 - Construction of Subway on No. 2 Channel.—Order repealed.
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1900.—SPECIAL BOARDS TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of brickmaking, including clay-digging.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of pottery-making, including the making of tiles and of drain and glazed pipes, and the clay-digging in connexion therewith.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of preparing or manufacturing articles made of tin-plate or other sheet metal, including the japanning such articles.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of cigar-making.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business carried on in a woollen mill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of manufacturing harness, saddlery, and whiphongs.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the Commission appointed on the 9th April, 1900, to inquire into and report upon the numerous amendments required in the law relating to local government having incurred liabilities to the amount of the maximum expenditure fixed by Order in Council, and not yet having concluded their inquiry, the House concurs in the expenditure by such Commission for the purposes of their inquiry and report of a further sum of £100.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. RAILWAY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Shiels, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the expenditure of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Expenditure of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for Railways,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

7. PUBLIC WORKS LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Shiels, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for public works and other purposes.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize certain Expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

8. WATER SUPPLY BILL.—Mr. Irvine moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Shiels, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for water supply in country districts.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

9. PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the improvement of the approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Salmon do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

10. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McColl, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 14.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to further amend the Land Acts and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st September, 1900.

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

11. LAND ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 14, having been read—On the motion of Mr. McColl, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen expressing gratification at the intelligence of the intended visit to the Australasian Colonies of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York, and also with the Address to the Lieutenant-Governor requesting His Excellency to forward the first-mentioned Address by cable to the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies for presentation to Her Majesty, and that they have filled up the blanks in the said Addresses with the words "Legislative Council and the."

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 25th September, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

13. LAND ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McColl moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Best moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

And, after debate—

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

14. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Shiels, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 15.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th September, 1900.

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

15. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 15, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred.

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

16. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

17. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 3, line 20, after “ in ” insert “ the hands of.”

„ line 31, omit “ thereof ” and insert “ of so much of the sum assured as exceeds One thousand pounds.”

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

Clause 8, lines 6 and 7, omit “ if it appears that such statement or warranty was made in good faith and without any intention to deceive ” and insert “ unless it appears that such statement or warranty was made in bad faith and with an intention to deceive.”

Mr. Grose moved, That the following words be inserted after “ deceive ”:—

“ A policy of assurance on the life of any person issued or granted by any company after the commencement of this Act shall for all purposes be deemed and taken to be indisputable and unchallengeable by or on behalf of such company at the expiration of five years from the issue or granting of such policy or the receipt by the company of any premium thereon ; and all statements contained in any such policy or in any proposal made for the assurance of such person shall after such period of five years be conclusive evidence of the facts stated, and shall be indisputable and unchallengeable by or on behalf of the company.”

Debate ensued.

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

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

Clause 14, line 35, before “ Every ” insert “ In every winding up whether voluntary or compulsory which shall be commenced after the passing of this Act.”

„ line 37, after “ assets ” insert “ available for distribution amongst the creditors generally.”

„ line 38, after “ established ” insert “ provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the right of any secured creditor to realize out of his security interest due to him since the liquidation as well as before the same but so that he shall only be entitled to be paid out of such general assets by way of interest subsequent to liquidation the difference if any between the amount thus realized and the amount of the interest at Four per centum as aforesaid.”

New clause B, line 14, before “ society ” insert “ company or.”

„ line 15, omit “ the assessment principle ” and insert “ any principle whereby any member or person insured may be called upon to pay any call levy or assessment in addition to the fixed premium payable upon his policy.”

„ line 18, omit “ assessment ” and insert “ calls levies or assessments.”

„ at end of clause add—“ Any company or society which commits any breach of the provisions of this section shall be liable to pay a penalty of Fifty pounds for every such breach to any person who may sue for the same.”

Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported, and that the Clerk had noted the amendments made by the House on the consideration of the Report—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Irvine, read a third time.

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

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 36.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LIFE ASSURANCE ON THE ASSESSMENT PRINCIPLE.—Mr. Fink moved, by leave, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the system of life assurance known as the assessment principle, and to report as to legislation (if any) desirable in relation thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bennett, Mr. Gillott, Mr. J. Harris, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Moule, Mr. H. R. Williams, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Irvine, presented—

Patent Office.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 10th January, 1900, for a return showing—

1. The number of copies of specifications sold by the Patent Office in each year under the present Act and the revenue derived therefrom, distinguishing fees paid by patent agents from those paid by other persons.
2. The number and value of the search fees paid to the Patent Office in each year for the same period, and similarly distinguished.
3. The number of copies of the *Patent Office Index* published since 1890 which have been sold, and the receipts therefrom, distinguished as in the preceding returns.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

Water Act 1890.—Omeo Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £400.

4. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill and insisted on by the Council having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 5, omit this clause.

Mr. Irvine moved, That the House insist on disagreeing with the said amendment, but agree to the following amendment in the clause, viz. :—

At end of clause omit “the bill of such solicitor for such remuneration shall be subject to taxation and to the provisions of Division thirteen of Part V. of the said Act” and insert “if the client shall seek to set aside such agreement or to reduce the amount payable thereunder on the ground that the same is unfair or unreasonable he may proceed in a summary manner before the court or a judge who shall have power upon proof thereof to order such agreement to be cancelled or the amount payable thereunder to be reduced and may give all such directions as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of carrying such order into effect.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 5, but have made an amendment in the clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 18 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
7. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Graves reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive and Nos. 11 to 15 inclusive be postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 10, 16, and 17.
9. GEELONG MARKET BUILDINGS LEASING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—“In my opinion this is a Private Bill.”
Mr. Higgins moved, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Higgins moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Higgins moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Higgins, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Higgins, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Graves moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Graves moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Graves, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Graves, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—“In my opinion this is a Private Bill.”
Mr. McKenzie moved, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McKenzie, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. NON-COMPULSORY VACCINATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
And, after debate—
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive, Nos. 11 to 15 inclusive, and Nos. 18 to 33 inclusive be postponed until Wednesday, 10th October next.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the Number of Members for each Division*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

THURSDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FIFTH BATTALION OF MILITIA.—Mr. Bales, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee upon the Fifth Battalion of Militia; together with the Proceedings of the Committee and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PAPER.—Mr. McColl presented—
Land Act 1898.—Part III.—Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Closer Settlement.—Copy of a Provisional Contract made by the Minister of Lands on behalf of the Board of Land and Works with William Hyem, dated the 26th day of September, 1900, for the purchase of the Whitfield Estate for the purpose of Closer Settlement; together with a Statement giving the particulars prescribed by Section 155 of the *Land Act* 1898 in respect of the Land included in the said Provisional Contract.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS.—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order giving precedence to General Business on Wednesday in each week from half-past eight o'clock be suspended for the remainder of the Session, and that Government Business have precedence during the whole of the sitting.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. FRIDAY SITTINGS.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That on the 5th October next and during the remainder of the Session the House shall meet on Friday in addition to the present days of sitting, that half-past one o'clock p.m. shall be the hour of meeting on that day, and that Government Business shall have precedence during the whole of the sitting.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. NORTHCOTE TRAMWAY EXTENSION BILL.—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Graham and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Graham then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Extension of the Northcote Tramway,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Beazley also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1900-1901.—Mr. Beazley reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900-1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 1.		
		LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1		The President	750	
1		The Chairman of Committees	400	
2			1,150	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Allowances to Witnesses attending Committees, and Expenses incidental to Committees	25	
		Total Division No. 1	1,175	
		The sum of ... ..	...	805
		DIVISION NO. 2.		
		LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1		The Speaker	1,000	
1		The Chairman of Committees	640	
2			1,640	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1	1st Div.	The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly ...	1,000	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
1	L.	The Clerk Assistant	850	
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	The Second Clerk Assistant, Clerk of Private Bills, and Clerk of Committees	600	
1	2	Clerk of the Papers and Accountant	600	
1	3	Serjeant-at-Arms and Assistant Clerk of Committees	450	
1	4	Assistant Clerk of the Papers	350	
1	4	Reader	328	
1	5	Assistant Reader and Telegraph Operator ...	200	
6			2,528	

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 2.				
Subdivision No. 5.				
			Maxi- mum.	
SERJEANT-AT-ARMS DIVISION.				
			£	
1	Sched.	Housekeeper*	276	275
10		Doorkeepers†... ..	188	1,816
1		Hall Keeper	200	200
1		Hall Porter	188	188
1		Engineer	210	210
1		Engineer's Assistant	168	168
15				2,857
25		Total SALARIES		8,875
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Fuel, Light, and Water, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ...		650
		Charwomen, Lift Attendant, and other Temporary Assistance ...		650
		Expenses of Select Committees, including Allowances to Witnesses ...		125
				1,425
		Total Division No. 2		10,300
		The sum of		7,510
DIVISION No. 3.				
PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.				
SALARY.				
Subdivision No. 1.—CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Clerk		200
Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Incidental Expenses, including Allowances to Witnesses ...		250
		Total Division No. 3		450
		The sum of		290
DIVISION No. 4.				
VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2f	Chief Reporter		600
2	2f	Reporters		1,025
1	2	Reporter		420
1	2	Reporter		420
2	5	Clerks (to act as Short-hand Amanuenses and Type-writers)		400
7				2,865
Subdivision No. 2. CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses ...		75
		Type-writing and Reporting Assistance ...		370
				445
		Total Division No. 4		3,310
		The sum of		2,325
* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.				

	Minimum Rate of Pay.	Scale of Annual Additions.		Maximum Rate of Pay.	All increments to accrue from 1st July.
		Number.	Amount.		
† Doorkeepers	48s. per week	8	3s. per week	72s. per week	

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 5.		
		THE LIBRARY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	The Librarian	600	
1	5	Clerk	200	
2			800	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Messenger	188	
3		Total SALARIES	988	
		Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.		
		Books and Bookbinding	600	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stationery, Postage Stamps, Incidentals, Allowance to Charwoman, and to Temporary Messengers, and other Temporary Assistance	650	
			1,250	
		Total Division No. 5	2,238	
		The sum of		1,533
		DIVISION No. 6.		
		REFRESHMENT ROOMS.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Wages of Staff	275	
		Fuel, Light, and Incidental Expenses	400	
		Total Division No. 6	675	
		The sum of		375
		DIVISION No. 7.		
		WATER POWER FOR PARLIAMENT HOUSE	300	
		(Required for the following purposes:—The protection of the Parliament Buildings from fire; working the Legislative Council lift, the lift to the Library corridor, and the Kitchen lift; and also for working the machinery for the ventilation of the Legislative Assembly chamber and adjoining rooms.)		
		The sum of		235
		DIVISION No. 8.		
		PARLIAMENT GARDENS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Foreman Gardener	168	168
2		Gardeners	132	264
3			432	
		Subdivision No. 2.—CONTINGENCIES.		
		Incidental Expenses	100	
		Total Division No. 8	532	
		The sum of		395

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 9.				
ADMINISTRATIVE AND SCIENTIFIC.				
CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
FIRST DIVISION.				
1		The Under-Secretary	1,000	
Subdivision No. 2.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
1		Government Medical Officer (ten months)	850	709
1		Assistant Medical Officer	500	350
2				1,059
Subdivision No. 3.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Acting Chief Clerk		485
1	2	Clerk		600
1	2	Inspector of Officers in Charge of Stores ...		600
1	3	Accountant		485
1	3	Clerk		485
4	4	Clerks		1,350
13	5	Clerks*		2,400
		Allowance to 3rd Class Officer discharging the duties of Secretary to the Police Superannuation Board and the Police Medical Board ...		50
22				6,455
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Caretaker of Government Offices, Spring-street †	150	180
1		Senior Messenger	132	120
1		Messenger and Attendant	120	120
2		Junior Messengers	66	102
1		Female Housekeeper	48	50
6				572
Subdivision No. 5.				
<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>				
1	x	Government Medical Officer (two months) ...		200
32		Total SALARIES, Chief Secretary's Office...		9,286
Subdivision No. 6.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Telegrams, Stores, Stationery, Books, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals, including temporary allowance to Female Housekeeper in lieu of quarters, Orderly's Allowance, Flags and Office Stationery for His Excellency the Governor				
				3,250
Cost of Indexing <i>Government Gazette</i>				
				120
Repairs to Old Treasury Buildings, Fittings, Furniture, &c. ...				
				100
				3,470
Total Chief Secretary's Office				
				12,756

* One acting in Executive Council Office, and paid under Schedule D, Part IV., 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55. — † With quarters fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 9.				
OBSERVATORY.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 7.				
Sc. & L.		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Acting Government Astronomer *	725	525
1		Assistant	300	300
1		Assistant	250	250
1		Assistant	190	190
1		Meteorological and General Assistant ...	180	168
5				1,433
Subdivision No. 8.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	5	Meteorological and Photographic Assistant ...		200
1	5	Weather Telegraph Clerk		200
1	5	Clerk		51
3				451
Subdivision No. 9.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Mechanical Attendant	132	120
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant	72	72
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant	66	66
3				258
11		Total SALARIES, Observatory		2,142
Subdivision No. 10.—CONTINGENCIES.				
Stores, Fuel, Light, Incidentals, Labour, Books, Instruments, Repairs, Photographic Materials, Travelling Expenses, &c.				550
Weather Service, Local and Intercolonial, including Attendance to Time-ball and Tide-gauge, Williamstown				185
Renewal of Instruments supplied to Meteorological Observers and of other Instruments and Apparatus for the Observatory				300
Measuring, Reducing, and Preparing for Publication Magnetic Curves, Cloud Photographic Plates, and Arrears of Astronomical Computations				400
				1,435
Total Observatory				3,577
GOVERNMENT BOTANIST.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 11.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Clerk, acting as Curator, National Herbarium ...		350
Subdivision No. 12.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2		Herbarium Assistants	144	189
3		Total SALARIES, Government Botanist ...		539
Subdivision No. 13.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals				110
Total Government Botanist				649

* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 9.				
INSPECTION OF FACTORIES AND SHOPS.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 14.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Chief Inspector of Factories	300	
		Addition to Salary of Chief Inspector	50	
1	4	Clerk	200	
3	5	Clerks	600	
			1,150	
Subdivision No. 15.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
		Inspectors of Factories	240	960
4		Inspectors of Factories	204	936
5		Female Inspectors of Factories	150	558
4				
			2,454	
13				
			3,604	
18		Total SALARIES, Factories and Shops		
Subdivision No. 16.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Travelling Expenses, Expenses of Servants' Registry Office Act, Expenses of Special Boards, Stores, Stationery, and Incidentals			1,500	
Total Inspection of Factories and Shops			5,104	
FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 17.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Actuary for Friendly Societies	600	
1	4	Clerk	297	
7	5	Clerks	1,400	
			2,297	
9				
Subdivision No. 18.				
(<i>Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.</i>)				
1	x	Acting Registrar of Friendly Societies	250	
			2,547	
10		Total SALARIES, Friendly Societies		
Subdivision No. 19.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Stores and Incidentals			60	
Total Friendly Societies			2,607	
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Subdivision No. 20.—(<i>Inalterable.</i>)				
Agent-General—Expenses of Staff and Office			2,000	
Allowance for Expenses to Lieutenant-General Sir Andrew Clarke, G.C.M.G., as Acting Agent-General			1,500	
			3,500	
Total Division No. 9			28,193	
The sum of				19,588

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 10.				
GOVERNMENT STATIST.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Assistant Government Statist	...	485
1	4	Assistant Government Statist	...	350
4	4	Clerks	...	1,250
26	5	Clerks	...	4,892
32				6,977
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
2		Junior Messengers	...	144
34		Total SALARIES	...	7,121
Subdivision No. 3.				
		Collecting and compiling the Census	...	17,000
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Collecting and compiling Agricultural and other Statistics	...	2,600
		Compiling Indexes of Births, Deaths, and Marriages	...	240
		Stores, Travelling, and Incidental Expenses	...	225
				3,065
Subdivision No. 5.				
		Allowances to Registrars	...	5,700
		Total Division No. 10	...	32,886
		The sum of	...	28,451
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DIVISION No. 11.				
POLICE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.				
1	x	Chief Commissioner *	...	900
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Accountant	...	485
1	3	Chief Clerk	...	310
1	4	Clerk	...	350
5	5	Clerks	...	1,000
8				2,145

* With quarters.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 11.				
SALARIES AND WAGES.				
Subdivision No. 3.—GENERAL POLICE.				
1	x	Inspecting Superintendent*	500	
10	x	Superintendents,* at £375, one from 7th September only, with allowance as officer in charge of Plain-clothes Police of £50 per annum ...	3,723	
8	x	Inspectors,* at £300, including allowances to Senior Officer, Russell-street Station, of £50 per annum, and of £75 per annum to officer in charge of Plain-clothes Police, to 6th September only	2,464	
18	x	Sub-Inspectors,* at £255, one to 6th September only	4,382	
1	x	Drill Instructor* (foot), with brevet rank of Sub-Inspector, at 11s. 6d. daily	210	
98	x	Sergeants,* 1st Class—Forty-nine, with daily pay from 10s. 6d. to 11s.	18,214†	
		2nd Class—Forty-nine, with daily pay from 9s. 6d. to 11s.		
1339	x	Constables,* Senior—One hundred and fifty-one, with daily pay from 8s. to 10s.	197,272‡	
		Ordinary—Eleven hundred and eighty-eight, with daily pay from 6s. 6d. to 9s. 6d.		
		Extra pay to members of the Force on plain-clothes duty, viz.:—Seven at 5s. 6d. daily, twelve at 3s. 6d. daily, ten at 2s. 6d. daily, five at 1s. 6d. daily, and twenty-five at 1s. daily	2,519	
1	x	Hospital Dispenser,* with brevet rank of Senior-Constable, at £150 per annum	150	
1	x	Hospital Wardsman, at not exceeding 7s. daily ...	128	
1477		Deduct to be repaid by the Mint, Railway Department, and Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools £1,122	229,562	
		To be repaid from the Licensing Act Fund, being the pay of nine Sub-Inspectors acting as Inspectors under Act No. 1111, and of three Constables solely employed on duties in connexion with the Licensing Act 2,751	3,873	
			225,689	
1486		Total SALARIES	228,734	

Subdivision No. 4.

CONTINGENCIES.

Allowance to Officers in lieu of Grooms, and for repairs to Saddlery used by them, at £40 each yearly	680
Allowance in lieu of Quarters, Fuel, Light, and Water to Sub-Officers and Constables living out of Barracks	7,800
Forage	7,200
Travelling Expenses	6,600
Stores	3,000
Fuel, Light, and Water	4,000
Shoeing and Farriery	900
Purchase of Horses	800
Medical Expenses of Police, and for Clothing destroyed in the execution of duty	200

NOTES ON SALARIES.

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Including 1s. a day additional pay to ninety-eight Sergeants after ten years' service, 1s. a day additional pay to twelve Sergeants (2nd class) losing promotion on account of age, and 6d. a day additional pay to sixteen Sergeants over 55 years of age and in important charges.—‡ Including 2s. a day additional pay to one constable employed as Mounted Drill Instructor, 1s. a day additional pay to fourteen Constables, eleven employed as Superintendents' Clerks, two as Horse-breakers, and one as storekeeper at Depôt, 6d. a day additional pay to four Constables over 55 years of age and in important charges, 1s. a day additional pay to one hundred and fifty-one Senior-Constables over ten years' service.

				£	£
DIVISION No. 11.					
Incidentals, Repairs to Saddlery, and Expenses of Black Trackers	...	...	...	2,400	
Transport of Prisoners	...	...	...	2,800	
Burial of Destitute Persons	...	...	...	1,450	
Maintenance, &c., of Prisoners while in charge of Police	...	...	...	550	
Law Costs incurred by the Police	...	...	...	200	
Rewards for the Apprehension of Offenders	...	...	...	100	
Allowances to Cooks and Female Searchers	...	...	...	300	
Allowance to Medical Officer to the Police Force *	...	...	...	400	
Provisions, &c., for Police Hospital *	...	...	...	250	
				39,630	
Total Division No. 11				268,364	
The sum of				...	197,364

DIVISION No. 12.					
Number.	Classification	PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND GAOLS.			
SALARIES.					
Subdivision No. 1.					
CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	1 f	Inspector-General	...	...	750
1	2	Deputy Inspector-General; also Chief Clerk and Accountant	...	...	600
4	4	Clerks	...	...	1,193
1	4	Storekeeper	...	...	216
3	5	Clerks	...	...	600
Addition to Salary of Captain Evans, Inspector-General of Penal Establishments and Gaols †				50	
10				3,409	
Subdivision No. 2.					
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.					
1	G	Governor of Gaol ‡	...	...	500
				500	
Subdivision No. 3.					
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1		Governor of Gaol ‡	...	396	360
1		Governor of Gaol ‡	...	300	300
4		Governors of Gaols ‡§—One at £234, three at £225	...	225	909
1		Deputy Governor ‡	...	275	275
1		Storekeeper at Melbourne Gaol ||	...	168	174
1		Photographer	...	264	264
1		Overseer of Woollen Factory	...	240	240
1		Overseer of Works ‡	...	220	220

* Expenditure will be partly met by stoppages from the pay of the men in Hospital.—† In accordance with terms of appointment to the office.—‡ With quarters, fuel, light, water, and prisoner servants, as provided by Gaol Regulations.—§ One Chief Warden acting as Governor of Gaol to be paid at the rate of £234 per annum. Other officers acting as Governors of Gaols to be paid at the rate of £200 per annum.—|| Transferred with the higher salary.

Number.	Classification		£	£	
DIVISION No. 12.					
			Maxi- mum.		
			£		
3	Overseers	210	} 958		
2	Overseers	178			
1	Senior Chief Warder *	225	225		
6	Chief Warders * †	} 165	1,256		
1	Chief Warder † ‡				
17	Senior Warders §	} 174	3,409		
4	Senior Warders * §				
1	Hospital Chief Warder * ||	178	183		
1	Hospital Senior Warder	156	150		
1	Hospital Warder	136	132		
1	Artisan Warder	160	147		
Male Warders—					
		Number.	Grade.		
153	}	38¶	1	153	} 21,486**
		38¶	2	147	
		38¶	3	141	
		2¶	} 4	130	
		37		112	
1	Governor of Female Prison *	192	192		
1	Sub-Matron*	156	120		
1	Sub-Matron*	100	100		
1	Hospital Nurse and Warder *	102	102		
1	Hospital Nurse and Warder *	96	86		
18	Female Warders, from £5 to £8 10s. per month	102	1,580**		
225			32,868		
Subdivision No. 4.					
(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)					
1	x	Overseer of Mat-makers	230		
237		Total SALARIES	37,007		

Subdivision No. 5.

CONTINGENCIES.

Chaplains—Allowance to	825
Working Prisoners—Allowance to	550
Provisions	5,800
Stores, including Clothing, Bedding, Materials for Manufacture	3,000
Fuel, Light, and Water	2,700
Medicines and Medical Attendance	1,450
Forage, Burials, and Relief to Destitute Prisoners on discharge	350
Books for Library and School	70
Travelling Expenses, Allowance in lieu of Quarters, Incidentals	1,750
	16,495
Total Division No. 12	53,502
The sum of	38,482

* With quarters, fuel, light, water, and prisoner servants, as provided by Gaol Regulations.—† One Senior Warder acting as Chief Warder to be paid at the rate of £180 per annum. Six Warders acting as Chief Warders to be paid at the rate of £174 2s. 6d. per annum.—‡ Allowance in lieu of quarters, £30 per annum.—§ Three Warders acting as Senior Warders to be paid at the rate of £162 2s. 6d. per annum. Fifteen Warders acting as Senior Warders to be paid at the rate of £160 per annum.—|| To be paid at the rate of £182 10s. per annum.—¶ Of the Warders appointed prior to 15th January, 1894, 38 who are senior in the service to be paid at the rate of £153 per annum, being the salary of First Grade Warders in accordance with the Regulations in force on the 14th January, 1894; 33, being those next in seniority to the Warders paid £153, to be paid at the rate of £147 per annum, being the salary for Second Grade Warders in accordance with said Regulations; 33, being those next in seniority to the Warders paid £147, to be paid at the rate of £141 per annum, being the salary for Third Grade Warders, in accordance with said Regulations. Fourth Grade Warders joining after 15th January, 1894, to be paid at the rate of £120 per annum.—** Includes 6d. per diem for ten years' service in the Penal and Gaols Branch.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
DIVISION No. 13.				
HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	M.	Inspector of Lunatic Asylums* ...	850	} 5,599
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	850	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	650	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	625	
2	"	Medical Superintendents* ...	520	
1	"	Medical Superintendent* ...	360	
2	"	Senior Medical Officers* ...	340	
5	"	Junior Medical Officers* ...	300	
1	Ed.	Head Teacher, Idiot Asylum* ...	198	
15				5,599
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Clerk and Accountant†	} 4,728
2	3	Secretaries* ...	...
1	3	Secretary* ...	...
1	3 ^f	Secretary* ...	...
1	4 ^f	Secretary* ...	...
1	5	Secretary* ...	...
2	4	Clerks† ...	...
9	5	Clerks† ...	...
1	5	Clerk† ...	...
19				4,728
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Dispenser* ...	192	} 5,200
2		Engineers* ...	210	
2		Engineers* ...	150	
1		Engineer* (a) ...	132	
1		Engineer* ...	132	
1		Farm Bailiff* ...	252	
1		Farm Bailiff* ...	156	
3		Farm Bailiffs* ...	132	
1		Matron* ...	192	
1		Matron* ...	132	
4		Matrons* ...	96	
6		Junior Messengers ...	66	
3		Head Attendants* ...	252	
4		Head Attendants* ...	132	
3		Hospital Attendants ...	162	
2		Hospital Attendants ...	120	
1		Head Nurse ...	70	
1		Hospital Nurse (b) ...	96	
3		Hospital Nurses (c) ...	60	
1		Head Teacher, Female, Idiot Asylum* ...	108	
1		Senior Attendant, Idiot Asylum ...	...
1		Senior Nurse, Idiot Asylum (c) ...	60	
1		Assistant Instructor, Male, Idiot Asylum ...	100	
1		Assistant Instructor, Female, Idiot Asylum ...	60	

(a) To be paid at the rate of £137 a year.—(b) To be paid at the rate of £102 a year, with deduction of £32 a year for quarters, &c.—(c) To be paid at the rate of £66 a year.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 13.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
	Artisan Staff—			
3	Carpenters†	...	144	7,657
4	Carpenters†	...	120	
2	Painters†	...	132	
4	Painters†	...	108	
9	Cooks, Male	...	144	
4	Cooks, Male	...	108	
2	Cooks, Male	...	108	
2	Cooks, Female	...	48	
1	Gardener*	...	156	
3	Carters	...	74	
2	Carters	...	74	
2	Storemen†	...	162	
3	Storemen†	...	144	
1	Storeman†	...	126	
2	Tailors†	...	144	
2	Tailors†	...	120	
4	Shoemakers†	...	144	
2	Shoemakers†	...	120	
1	Blacksmith†	...	132	
1	Blacksmith†	...	112	
1	Fireman†	...	68	
1	Soapmaker†	...	144	
7	Tailoresses†	...	84	
1	Sewing Mistress, Idiot Asylum†	...	78	
9	Laundresses	...	90	
12	Laundresses, Assistant	...	36	
1	Tailor Attendant—Idiot Asylum	...	...
270	Attendants†—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades (a)	...	25,200	
232	Nurses||—1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grades (a)...	...	9,485	
634	Total Subdivision No. 3	...	47,542	
668	Total SALARIES	...	57,869	

Subdivision No. 4.

CONTINGENCIES.

Chaplains—Allowance to	...	480
Provisions and Extra Articles	...	33,000
Clothing and Bedding and Material for Manufacture	...	9,750
Stores (including Repairs), Purchase of Stock, Books, &c.	...	3,500
Medicines and Medical Comforts	...	1,800
Forage	...	300
Fuel, Light, and Water	...	8,000
Maintenance of Lunatics in General Hospitals	...	300
Expenses in connexion with the Committal and Transport of Lunatics	...	1,600
Expenses in connexion with Boarding out Patients	...	600
Temporary Employés, Incidentals, &c.	...	2,750
Total Contingencies	...	62,080
Total Division No. 13	...	119,949
The sum of	...	93,039

NOTES TO DIVISION No. 13, HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

All officers except those marked † receive quarters, fuel, light, water, and washing.—The Medical Staff, Secretaries, Farm Bailiffs, Matrons, Dispensers, Head Attendants, Head Teacher (Male), and Engineers are allowed milk, vegetables, and patient servant in addition.—The Farm Bailiffs are allowed grass for a horse in addition.—The Medical Staff and Secretaries are allowed grass for one horse and one cow in addition.—Those marked * are allowed quarters for their families in addition.—The Head Teacher (Female), Instructors, Messengers, Attendants, Nurses, Cooks, and Laundresses receive rations in addition.—The amounts £24,500 and £8,900 provided for Attendants and Nurses to include payments to Attendants and Nurses whose appointments have not been confirmed after the expiration of their terms of probation.—‡ No attendant to be paid less than £66 a year.—¶ No nurse to be paid less than £30 a year.

(a) Attendants and nurses to receive £74 and £36 a year respectively after twelve months' service. Attendants and nurses in the service for twelve months and upwards on 1st July, 1900, to receive £74 and £36 a year respectively from that date. Increases of salaries to attendants and nurses to accrue on the first day of the month after the completion of a full year's service.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION NO. 14.	£	£
		DEPARTMENT FOR NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND REFORMATORY SCHOOLS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Secretary and Inspector	600	
1	4	Acting Accountant, &c.	350	
3	4	Clerks—One at £350 and two at £200 ...	750	
8	5	Clerks—Seven at £200 and one at £78 ...	1,478	
13				3,178
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Waggonette Driver*	96	126
1		Messenger	96	108
1	f	Matron, Girls' and Boys' Receiving Depôts*	156	132
5		Attendants, Girls' and Boys' Receiving Depôts—Three at £83*, and two at £60*	90	369
1		Female Instructor*	90	78
1		Nurse and Attendant*	90	80
4	f	Instructors, Boys' Receiving Depôt—One at £132, one at £126, one at £112*, and one at £102*	144	472
1		Instructor acting as Officer in sub-charge of Boys' Depôt*	144	144
15				1,509
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Maintenance Officer†		183
1		Visiting Officer		250
2				433
30		Total SALARIES	5,120	
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Provisions		425
		Clothing and Bedding		100
		Fuel, Light, and Water		400
		Stores, Stock, &c.		300
		Medical Attendance, Medicines, &c.		50
		Incidentals, and Transport, and Travelling Expenses		1,000
				2,275
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		In aid of Industrial Schools established by private contributions, at a rate not exceeding 5s. per week for each child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service		1,000
		In aid of Reformatory Schools established by private contributions, at a rate not exceeding 10s. per week for each child, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service		6,000
		Expenses of Boarding out Children, and to provide Outfits for Children sent to service		48,000
		Expenses of Boarding out Children whose periods of commitment have expired, but who, by reason of affliction, cannot be sent to service		375
				55,375
		Total Division No. 14	62,770	
		The sum of		47,020

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.—† Paid to Police Department, this officer being a member of the Police Force.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 15.		
		PUBLIC LIBRARY, MUSEUMS, AND NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA.		
		SALARIES.		
		PUBLIC LIBRARY.		
		Subdivision No. 1.	Maxi- mum.	
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	£	
1	Sc.	Librarian*	610	455
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4f	Assistant		300
1	4	Assistant		300
7	5	Assistants		1,303
4	5	Junior Assistants		261
1	5	Accountant		200
14				2,364
		Subdivision No. 3.	Maxi- mum.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	£	
1		Bookbinder and Attendant	180	180
1		Senior Attendant	156	156
1		Senior Attendant	132	126
4	f	Attendants	120	462
2		Attendants	100	170
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant (acting as Typewriter)†	72	78
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant	72	72
9		Junior Messengers and Attendants	66	444
1		Labourer	104	104
21				1,792
36		Total SALARIES, Public Library ...		4,611
		INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM.		
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
1		Curator of the Industrial and Technological Museum and of the Geological Collection of the National Museum		300
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Assistant		90
		Subdivision No. 6.	Maxi- mum.	
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	£	
1	f	Carpenter and Model Maker	216	168
1		Senior Attendant	156	156
1		Attendant	120	111
3				435
5		Total SALARIES, Industrial and Technological Museum		825

* With quarters.

† To be paid at the rate of £78 per annum.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 15.		
		NATIONAL MUSEUM.		
		Subdivision No. 7.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	Sc.	Curator of the Zoological Collections ...	300	300
1		Palæontologist	300	300
2				600
		Subdivision No. 8.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	4 f	Clerk, acting as Secretary to Museum ...		220
		Subdivision No. 9.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2	f	Taxidermists	252	472
2	f	Osteologists and Articulators	204	336
2	f	Assistant Taxidermists	168	288
1	f	Carpenter and Attendant	126	141
1		Attendant	120	120
1	f	Charwoman ... ..	...	50
9				1,407
12		Total SALARIES, National Museum ...		2,227
		NATIONAL GALLERY.		
		Subdivision No. 10.		
		<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Director of the National Gallery and Master of the School of Art		600
1		Instructor and Master in the School of Design ...		300
2		Attendants		120
4				1,020
		Subdivision No. 11.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Senior Attendant	156	156
4		Attendants	120	456
1		Labourer	120	117
6				729
10		Total SALARIES, National Gallery ...		1,749
63		Total SALARIES, Division No. 15 ...		9,412

DIVISION No. 15.

Subdivision No. 12.

CONTINGENCIES.

Public Library.—Purchase of Books and Periodicals, Binding, Stationery, Stores, and Incidental Expenses	5,000
Industrial and Technological Museum.—Purchase of Specimens, Fittings, Cases, Chemicals, Stores, and Incidental Expenses	300
National Museum.—Purchase of Specimens, Stores, Stationery, and Incidental Expenses	400
National Gallery.—Purchase of Pictures and Picture Frames, Models for Art Classes, Lectures on Anatomy, and Incidental Expenses	1,000
Building and General.—Insurance, Lighting, Cleaning, Protection against Fire, Stationery, Stores, and Incidental Expenses	2,595
Painting, Repairs, &c., Glass Cases, Fittings, and Furniture for the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery	1,205
Furniture, Glass Cases, Fittings, &c., for National Museum	900
Total Contingencies	11,400
Total Division No. 15	20,812
The sum of ... ..	...

12,252

DIVISION No. 16.

GOVERNMENT SHORTHAND WRITER.

SALARIES.

Subdivision No. 1.

CLERICAL DIVISION.

1	1 ^f	Government Shorthand Writer	610
1	2	Assistant Shorthand Writer	600
1	3	Clerk to act as Assistant	485
1	5	Clerk	200
4			1,895
Subdivision No. 2.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1		Junior Messenger	72
5			
Total SALARIES			1,967

Maximum.

£

72

Subdivision No. 3.

CONTINGENCIES.

Clerical Assistance	100
Stores and Incidentals	100
	200
Total Division No. 16	2,167
The sum of ... ..	...

1,527

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 17.				
AUDIT OFFICE AND PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
2	2	Clerks	1,200	
5	3	Clerks	2,355	
8	4	Clerks	2,624	
20	5	Clerks	3,699	
35			9,878	
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
2		Junior Messengers	72	108
37		Total SALARIES	9,986	
Subdivision No. 3.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Travelling Expenses		230
		Fuel, Stores, Incidentals, &c.		150
		Expenses in connexion with Clerical and Non-Clerical Examinations		100
		Clerical Assistance		40
			520	
		Total Division No. 17	10,506	
		The sum of		7,926
DIVISION No. 18.				
ABORIGINES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Superintendent, Coranderrk*		260
Subdivision No. 2.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1		Matron at Coranderrk*	102	77
1		Messenger and Attendant	120	120
2			197	
Subdivision No. 3.				
(<i>Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.</i>)				
1		General Inspector and Secretary		450
4		Total SALARIES	907	
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Medical Attendance and Medicines		150
		Stores, Provisions, Clothing, Transport, and Incidentals		2,750
		Repairs and Improvements to Stations		200
		Labour, Purchase of Stock, Seeds, and Expenses of Cultivation		460
		Management of Stations, Depôts, and Insurance		453
		Expenses for Travelling of Members of Board, Officers, and Aborigines		260
		Stationery and Office Expenses... ..		120
			4,393	
		Total Division No. 18	5,300	
		The sum of		3,860

* With quarters and rations.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 19.		
EXHIBITIONS.		
No. 1. To meet expenses incurred by the Trustees of the Exhibition Building	1,250	
2. In aid of the funds of the Bendigo Mining Exposition ...	500	
Total Division No. 19	1,750	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,120
DIVISION No. 20.		
GRANTS.		
No. 1. For the purpose of aiding the Funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums	3,500	
The Grant to be distributed subject to the following conditions:—		
I. That no more than one-sixteenth of the entire sum be divided amongst the Institutions within ten miles of Melbourne.		
II. That where the Free Library or Museum is part of, or connected with, a Mechanics' or other Institution, all the books, periodicals, and newspapers in such Institution, or all the articles in the Museum, as the case may be, are to be available to the public in the Free Library or Museum on all occasions when they are available to subscribers.		
III. That the Grant be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council.		
2. For the purpose of aiding the funds of Free Libraries and Country Museums, to be allotted amongst Institutions the Trustees or Committees of which have made themselves personally liable for debts contracted, and amongst Free Libraries and Country Museums which require special aid on account of their having been recently established or on account of exceptional conditions	1,000	
3. To the Zoological and Acclimatisation Society	3,500	
4. To the Royal Society	100	
5. To the Victorian Artists' Society	100	
6. To the Art Galleries for Ballarat, Bendigo, and Warrnambool (to be distributed subject to Regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council)	500	
7. To be equally divided between the Geelong and Western District Fish Acclimatising Society and the Ballarat Fish Acclimatisation Society, to assist these Societies in the Acclimatisation and Distribution of Freshwater Fish throughout the colony, and for providing additional Breeding Ponds	100	
8. To the College of Pharmacy	500	
9. In aid of the expenses of the Pharmacy Board in connexion with the administration of the Pharmacy and Poison Acts ...	200	
10. To the Victorian Society for the Protection of Animals ...	50	
Total Division No. 20	9,550	
The sum of ... ..	...	8,410
DIVISION No. 21.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service or their Widows—(Inalterable):—		
(1) Annual allowance in lieu of compensation on services having been dispensed with:—		
To Alfred Buck—Overseer, Penal Department	£135 0 0	
„ Robert Kelly—Overseer, Penal Department	86 13 4	
„ Mrs. Henrietta Allen, Attendant, Industrial and Reformatory Schools	31 16 4	
	£253 9 8	254
(2) Annual Allowance to Widow of Sergeant Kennedy (£48 19s. 6d.), murdered in the Wombat Ranges, in addition to her Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act</i> 1890, equal to full pay of her deceased husband to 30th June, 1901		49

	£	£
Division No. 21.		
(3) Annual Allowance to Constable McIntyre, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , rendered unfit for duty through exposure at the time of the Wombat Ranges murders by the Kelly gang	52	
(4) Annual Allowance, at the rate of £1 per week, to Michael Reardon for injuries received in the attack on the Kelly outlaws at Glenrowan	53	
(5) Annual Allowance to Miss E. Fleming, late Sub-matron of the Female Prison, Pentridge, in addition to her Pension, £5 4s. 6d.	6	
(6) Annual Allowance to Senior-Constable Alexander, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , who was injured in the execution of his duty, £11 14s. 1d. ...	12	
(7) Annual Allowance to Constable Albert Ernest Vizard, who was injured in the execution of his duty, in addition to his Pension under the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i> , £20 13s. 9d. ...	21	
No. 2. Allowance to Visitor at the City Court and Lock-ups ...	100	
No. 3. Commissions and Boards of Inquiry	1,000	
No. 4. To meet deficiency in the Police Superannuation Fund (in accordance with section 34 of the <i>Police Regulation Act 1890</i>)	13,000	
No. 5. Allowance to Instructor of the Blind, and for the purchase of Books	170	
No. 6. New Hebrides Steam Communication	800	
No. 7. Moiety of the cost of preparing the Melbourne and Sydney portion of the International Astrophotographic Catalogue ...	200	
Total Division No. 21	15,717	
The sum of ... ..	...	10,732

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900-1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

II.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 22.				£	£	
		EDUCATION.						
		SALARIES.						
		Subdivision No. 1.						
		FIRST DIVISION.						
1		Secretary for Public Instruction	...	...		750	
		Subdivision No. 2.						
	E.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.						
		<i>Educational Class.</i>						
					Maxi- mum.			
					£			
1		Inspector-General and Examiner	...	...	700	650	
		Allowance to Inspector-General and Examiner	...	...		50	
1		Senior Inspector	...	...	650	650	
6		Inspectors—First Grade	...	...	600	3,600	
14		Inspectors—Second Grade	...	...	500	6,767	
5		Inspectors—Third Grade	...	...	325	1,250	
1		Principal of Training College*	...	...	560	510	
1		First Lecturer, Training College*	...	...	400	350	
1		Second Lecturer, Training College	...	...	325	275	
		Allowance to Second Lecturer, Training College, in lieu of board and residence	...	...		42	
1		Inspector of Drawing	...	...	500	400	
31						14,544		
		Subdivision No. 3.						
		CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1	1	Accountant	...	...		750	
1	3	Acting Chief Clerk...	...	...		450	
1	3	Clerk	...	...		450	
11	4	Clerks	...	...		3,442	
42	5	Clerks	...	...		7,646	
		Allowance to four Fifth Class Clerks, two from 1st July, 1900, at £18 per annum, one from 1st July, 1900, to 31st March, 1901, at £10 per annum, and from 1st April, 1901, at £20 per annum, and one from 1st August, 1900, at £20 per annum	...	...		67	
56						12,805		
		Subdivision No. 4.						
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.						
		Grade.			Maxi- mum.			
					£			
5	1	Truant Officers	...	...	180	900	
28	2	Truant Officers	...	...	168	4,194	
1		Senior Messenger†	...	...	132	132	
2		Junior Messengers	...	...	72	138	
1		Junior Messenger and Attendant at Training College	...	...	66	75	
37						5,439		
125		Total Division No. 22					33,538	
		The sum of						25,145

* With quarters. —† With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

DIVISION No. 23.		£	£
EDUCATION.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.— <i>Instruction.</i>			
General—			
Teachers	£355,729		
To pay Teachers, under section 68, Act No. 773, difference in salary caused by classification under that Act, conditionally on relinquishing their claims to compensation under section 69	74	355,803	
Teachers' Payments on Results—Regulation No. III. ...	128,304		
To pay Teachers, under section 68, Act No. 773, difference in salary caused by classification under that Act, conditionally on relinquishing their claims to compensation under section 69	31	128,335	
Organizer and Instructor in Kindergarten			300
Instructors in Cookery			1,223
Organizer and Instructor—Hand and Eye and Manual Training			500
Training College—Visiting Teachers and Medical Attendant			500
		486,661	
Subdivision No. 2.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Travelling Expenses	(Inspectors £4,000)		
	(Teachers 1,800)	9,800	
	(Children to State Schools 2,500)		
	(Truant Officers 1,500)		
Books and School Requisites			5,600
Stores, including Incidentals			1,000
Maintenance Expenses of Schools—Allowance to Teachers for Exhibitions granted by the Minister under Regulations Nos. X. and XI.			31,100
High School Scholarships			2,200
Elections of Members of Boards of Advice			575
Allowance to Cadet Officers (to recoup expenditure incurred in connexion with their duties)			50
Allowance for the Boarding of Students			350
Bonuses for qualifying Pupil Teachers for admission to the Training College			2,100
Expenses of Instruction in Kindergarten, Cookery, and other subjects outside the programme of Instruction			500
		3,906	
		57,181	
Subdivision No. 3.			
BUILDINGS.			
Rents			3,000
Expenditure on School Buildings under direction of Boards of Advice			2,300
			5,300
Total Division No. 23		549,142	
The sum of			413,047
DIVISION No. 24.			
MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY.			
Addition to Endowment of £9,000 under Act 16 Vict. No. 34. (Subject to deduction of an amount equal to the University fees of not more than eight students to whom have been granted exhibitions under Regulations Nos. X. and XI.)			5,250
For fitting up two rooms for Bacteriological work			500
Total Division No. 24			5,750
The sum of			3,995

	£	£
DIVISION No. 25.		
TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.		
To be paid in accordance with Regulations approved by the Governor in Council—		
For Maintenance and Buildings	14,500	
Inspection, Expenses of Examinations, Apparatus, Fittings, and Furniture, &c.	3,775	
Total Division No. 25	18,275	
The sum of	13,775
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DIVISION No. 26.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensation, and Gratuities to late Employés in the Government service or to their Widows or Children—(<i>Inalterable</i>):—		
(1) Annual Allowances to Officers who retired from the service prior to the coming into operation of Act No. 710 (including arrears)	£2,216 19 11	
(2) To pay pensions, computed on the basis of Sec. 44 of Act 25 Vict. No. 160, to Officers who have retired in consequence of changes in the Department, and who are not entitled to pensions under Act 54 Vict. No. 1133 (including arrears) ...	488 14 6	
	£2,705 14 5	
	2,706	
Total Division No. 26	2,706	
The sum of ... ..	...	2,026

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Resolved—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

VI.—MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
		DIVISION No. 53.		
		DEFENCE DEPARTMENT.		
		SALARIES.		
		ADMINISTRATIVE AND PAY BRANCH.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary	900	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Paymaster Naval and Military Forces ...	600	
2	4	Clerks	550	
3	5	Clerks	600	
6			1,750	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Junior Messenger	66	66
8		Total SALARIES Administrative and Pay Branch		2,716
		ORDNANCE AND MILITARY STORES BRANCH.		
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Controller of Stores	600	
1	4	Clerk	200	
4	5	Clerks	800	
6			1,600	
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Armourer	222	222
1		Carpenter and Wheeler	150	141
7		Foreman,* Store Assistants, Ordnance Assistant, and Labourers, from £6 10s. to £11 10s. per month	138	819
1		Messenger, Junior	66	66
1		Blacksmith †	150	156
2		Assistant Armourers	150	267
1		Caretaker, Langwarrin Camp	156	156
14				1,827
		Subdivision No. 6.		
		(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1		Ordnance Fitter and Inspector Ordnance Machinery		450
1		Saddle and Harness Maker		131
2				581
22		Total SALARIES Ordnance and Military Stores Branch		4,008
		Subdivision No. 7.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Temporary Assistance		1,050
		Stationery, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals		300
				1,350
		Total Administrative, Pay, and Stores Branches		8,074

* With quarters, fuel, and light.—† To be paid at the rate of £156 per annum from 1st January, 1900.

DIVISION No. 53.						£	£
Subdivision No. 8.							
CADET CORPS.							
SALARIES.							
1	Officer Commanding*	...	...	...	...	419	
1	Adjutant *	...	...	...	...	344	
2						763	
Subdivision No. 9.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
	Travelling Expenses	...	...	...	...	80	
	Incidentals and Band Allowance	...	...	...	...	50	
	Free Ammunition	...	...	...	...	620	
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	...	...	...	20	
	Effective Allowance	...	...	...	...	1,000	
	Equipment ...	...	...	...	...	250	
						2,020	
	Total Cadet Corps	...	...	...	...	2,783	
Subdivision No. 10.							
MOUNTED RIFLES.							
SALARIES.							
1	Officer Commanding †	...	...	...	...	622	
1	Adjutant *	...	...	...	...	319	
10	Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers, at from £127 to £150 per annum ‡	...	...	...	...	1,369	
12						2,310	
Subdivision No. 11.							
CONTINGENCIES.							
	Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	65	
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters to Officer Commanding	...	...	...	...	70	
	Lodging Allowance—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	230	
	Forage—Officers §	...	...	...	...	150	
	Forage and Horse Hire—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	500	
	Travelling Expenses—Officers, Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	590	
	Capitation and Effective Allowance	...	...	...	...	2,475	
	Free Ammunition	...	...	...	...	1,670	
	Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	...	...	...	...	100	
	Hire of Rooms for Storage of Arms, &c.	...	...	...	...	110	
	Corps Expenses—Inspection by Major-General Commanding	...	...	...	...	250	
	Incidentals	...	...	...	...	130	
	Equipment	...	...	...	...	1,575	
	Temporary Instruction ||	...	...	...	...	450	
						8,365	
	Total Mounted Rifles	...	...	...	...	10,675	
Subdivision No. 12.							
VICTORIAN RANGERS.							
SALARIES.							
1	Officer Commanding ¶	...	...	...	...	522	
1	Adjutant *	...	...	...	...	344	
10	Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers, at from £127 to £150 per annum ‡	...	...	...	...	1,441	
12						2,307	

* With quarters.—† With allowance for quarters, £70 to Officer Commanding Mounted Rifles.—‡ With allowance in lieu of quarters, £23 per annum. Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—§ Forage allowed for two horses to Officer Commanding and one to Adjutant, at £50 per annum each.—|| In lieu of Permanent Non-commissioned Officers serving in South Africa.—¶ With allowance for quarters, £65 to Officer Commanding Victorian Rangers.

		£	£
DIVISION No. 53.			
Subdivision No. 13.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
		Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officer Commanding	65
		Lodging Allowance—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	230
		Forage—Officer Commanding and Adjutant *	100
		Free Ammunition	1,300
		Capitation and Effective Allowance	1,690
		Travelling Expenses	560
		Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	60
		Rail Charges on Ammunition, &c.	120
		Incidentals	150
		Cleaning, Lighting, and Rent of Drill Rooms, &c.	470
		Temporary Instruction†	150
			4,895
		Total Victorian Rangers	7,202
Subdivision No. 14.			
SCOTTISH REGIMENT.			
SALARIES.			
		Non-commissioned Officer	146
Subdivision No. 15.—CONTINGENCIES.			
		Incidentals	120
		Total Scottish Regiment	266
Subdivision No. 16.—RIFLE CLUBS.			
SALARIES.			
1	4	Clerk	200
2	5	Clerks	266
3			466
Subdivision No. 17.—CONTINGENCIES.			
		Free Ammunition	10,000
		Inspection of Ranges, Temporary Assistance, Travelling Expenses, and Incidentals	1,000
			11,000
		Total Rifle Clubs	11,466
Subdivision No. 18.			
MISCELLANEOUS.			
		Annual Grant, Victorian Rifle Association, including Prizes for Rifle Clubs Queen's Prize, Victorian Rifle Association	1,000
		To replenish the Ammunition Fund the Loss on Supply of Free Ammunition issued to the Permanent and Militia Forces, and on that sold at reduced rates to Permanent and Militia Forces, Rifle Clubs, Victorian Rangers, Victorian Mounted Rifles, Scottish Regiment, and Victorian Rifle Association	25
		Annual Allowance to Lieut.-Col. W. H. Snee, injured on duty (in addition to pension of £240 per annum)	5,740
		Compensation as recommended by Boards of Inquiry to members injured on duty	60
		Expenses in connexion with despatch of Officers and Non-commissioned Officers to England for courses of Instruction, and on expiry of engagement	300
		Competitions in Gunnery, Field Firing, Marching, and Tent Pitching	420
		Gratuities to families of late W. H. Ruffle, J. Cowley, and J. Simper... ..	580
		Gratuity to Private Secretary to Minister and Shorthand Writer	222
			20
			8,367

* Forage allowed for one horse each to Officer Commanding and Adjutant, at £50 per annum. —† In lieu of Permanent Non-commissioned Officers serving in South Africa.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 53.		
	Subdivision No. 19.		
	NAVAL FORCES.		
	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.		
		Maxi- mum. *	
		£	
1	Commander in Command	600	600
3	Lieutenant-Commander and Lieutenants	350	1,140
1	Staff-Surgeon†	150	150
1	Fleet Engineer (in lieu of Chief Engineer)	450	450
2	Engineers	240	600
3	Chief Gunners‡	225	690
4	Gunners	210	840
1	Carpenter, 2nd Class	200	165
1	Assistant Paymaster or Clerk	200	200
17			4,835
	Subdivision No. 20.		
	SALARIES.—PETTY OFFICERS AND MEN.		
		Maximum. Per day.⁹	
		s. d.	
1	Chief Engine-room Artificer	10 0	
7	Engine-room and Torpedo Artificers	8 6	
2	Chief Leading Stokers	7 0	
7	Leading Stokers	6 6	
6	Stokers	5 6	
10	Stokers	5 0	
2	Chief Petty Officers	7 0	
8	1st Class Petty Officers	6 6	
1	Ship's Corporal	6 6	
9	Leading Seamen	5 6	
56	Able Seamen	5 0	
4	Training Seamen	3 6	
4	Boys	2 0	
1	Chief Armourer	8 6	
1	Painter	6 0	
1	Carpenter's Mate	7 0	
4	Carpenters and Joiners	5 6	
1	Armourer's Mate	5 6	
4	Cooks	5 0	
1	Chief Ship's Steward	8 0	
7	Officers' Stewards	5 0	
1	Officers' Messman	5 6	
1	Naval Storekeeper	7 0	
1	Sick Berth Attendant	6 0	
140			
157	<i>Rating Allowances in addition to Pay.</i>		
	Torpedo Instructors	0 6	
	Seamen Gunners	0 4	
	Carpenters (tool money)	0 3	
	Divers (allowance)	0 3	
	Leading Signalmen	0 4	
	Signalmen	0 2	
	Buglers	0 3	
	Blacksmith	2 6	
	Sailmaker	1 0	
			14,426
	Total SALARIES Naval Forces		19,261

* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† Under special engagement.—‡ One in lieu of Chief Gunner lent to Ordnance Branch.

DIVISION No. 53.							£	£
Subdivision No. 21.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Provisions ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	2,800	
Fuel, Light, and Water	...	...	...	...	...	650	
Repairs to Machinery and Hulls	...	...	...	...	...	120	
Docking ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	300	
Stores ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1,200	
Incidentals ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	200	
Allowances to Officers and Men of Permanent Forces and Naval Brigade undergoing special courses of instruction	...	...	...	...	...	200	
Allowance for performing the duties of Senior Executive Officer in the absence of a Commander	...	...	...	...	...	25	
						5,495		
Total Naval Forces						24,756		
Subdivision No. 22.								
NAVAL BRIGADE.								
<i>Permanent Staff.</i>								
2	Gunnery Instructors*	...	...	...	...	225	425
Subdivision No. 23.								
<i>Naval Brigade Pay.</i>								
1	Lieutenant in Command	...	...	...	...	} Stokers, £8 per annum; A.B.'s, £9.10s.; and other ranks in proportion.	
3	Gunners	...	...	...	...
6	Engineers	...	...	...	...
5	1st Class Petty Officers	...	...	...	...
6	Leading Seamen	...	...	...	...
129	Able Seamen, Stokers, &c.	...	...	...	...
150							1,550	
152	Total Naval Brigade Pay						1,975	
Subdivision No. 24.								
CONTINGENCIES.								
Effective Allowance ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	340	
Stores ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	10	
Incidentals and Band Allowance	...	...	...	...	...	100	
						450		
Total Naval Brigade						2,425		
Subdivision No. 25.								
PERMANENT MILITARY FORCES.—HEAD-QUARTERS STAFF.								
SALARIES.								
1	Major-General Commanding †	...	...	...	...	1,250	
1	Colonel—Assistant Adjutant-General *	...	...	...	...	600	
1	Colonel—Staff Officer for Artillery, to termination of engagement †	...	...	...	...	645	
1	Warrant Officer †	...	...	...	...	180	
4							2,675	

* With quarters.— † Under special engagement.

DIVISION No. 53.

Subdivision No. 26.

CONTINGENCIES.

Forage Allowances *	...	...	...	...	100
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	400
					500
Total Head-Quarters Staff	...	...	...	...	3,175

Number.	Subdivision No. 27.					Maxi- mum.†	£	
	PERMANENT STAFF MILITIA.							
	SALARIES.							
3	Adjutants†	...	...	...	...	£ 355	780
1	Quartermaster§ ||	...	...	...	...	} 15s. per day	} 4,588
2	Warrant Officers, Garrison and Brigade Sergeants- Major§ ¶			£ 180
6	Warrant Officers—1st Class**			£ 150
21	Non-commissioned Officers**			£ 127
1	Non-commissioned Officer, Ranger at Elwood**			£ 127
34							5,368	

Subdivision No. 28.

CONTINGENCIES.

Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Adjutants	...	...	...	...	120
Lodging Allowance—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	273
Forage Allowance—Adjutants ††	...	...	...	...	150
Uniforms—Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers	...	...	...	...	205
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	260
					1,008
Total Permanent Staff Militia	...	...	...	...	6,376

Subdivision No. 29.

MILITARY STAFF CLERKS.

						Maxi- mum.†	£
	SALARIES.						
1	Sergeant-Major	...	...	...	...	£ 285	233
6	Sergeants	...	...	...	...	£ 160	934
7							1,167

Subdivision No. 30.

CONTINGENCIES.

Uniform Allowances	...	...	...	...	46
Travelling Expenses and Incidentals	...	...	...	...	50
					96
Total Military Staff Clerks	...	...	...	...	1,263

* Forage allowed for one horse each to Assistant Adjutant-General and A.D.C. to Commandant, at £50 per annum.—
† Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—‡ With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof, £60 per annum.—§ One
Quartermaster and two Warrant Officers specially engaged at from £180 to £274 per annum.—|| With allowance for quarters
£23 8s. per annum.—¶ With quarters, fuel, and light.—** With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof, £23 per annum.—
†† Forage allowed for one horse each, at £50 per annum.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 53.		
	Subdivision No. 31.		
	VICTORIA REGIMENT, ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ARTILLERY.		
	SALARIES.—OFFICERS.	Maximum*	
		£	
1	Lieutenant-Colonel†	550	550
2	Majors †	485	804
2	Captains †	355	612
4	Lieutenants†	256	829
1	Captain, Medical Staff ‡	300	300
1	Adjutant †	256	316
11			3,411
	SALARIES.—WARRANT, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AND MEN.	Per Day.	
4	Warrant Officers	8/-	18,644
5	Battery Sergeants-Major and Staff Sergeants	6/9	
14	Sergeants	5/9	
16	Corporals	4/9	
13	Bombardiers	4/3	
1	Armament Artificer	10/6	
4	Armament Artificers	9/6	
1	Blacksmith	9/6	
1	Engine-driver	7/6	
1	Coxswain	7/6	
2	Deck-hands	6/-	
1	Fireman	6/-	
4	Trumpeters	3/6	
203	Gunners	3/6	
8	Boys	2/-	
278			18,644
289	Total SALARIES, Victoria Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery		22,055
	Subdivision No. 32.		
	CONTINGENCIES.		
	Working Pay		50
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officers		290
	Lodging Allowances—Non-commissioned Officers, &c.		474
	Travelling Expenses and Separation Allowance		300
	Forage		60
	Fuel, Light, and Water		830
	Special Duty Pay		900
	Incidentals		500
	Clothing		1,670
	Rations		4,100
	Stores		1,050
	Allowances to Officers Attached for Instruction		134
			10,358
	Total Victoria Regiment, Royal Australian Artillery		32,413

* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters or allowance in lieu thereof—Lieut.-Colonel and Majors at £70, Captains at £65, Lieutenants and Adjutant at £55 per annum.—‡ Under special agreement.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 53.		
	Subdivision No. 33.		
	PERMANENT SECTION VICTORIAN ENGINEERS.		
	SALARIES.	Maxi- mum.*	
		£	
1	Captain ††	360	360
1	Lieutenant §	295	310
3	Warrant Officers	240	640
5			1,310
		Per Day.	
1	Sergeant	8/-	} 4,008
3	Corporals	7/6	
3	Engine-drivers	8/3	
1	Coxswain	8/3	
22	Sappers	7/-	
30			4,008
35	Total SALARIES Permanent Section Victorian Engineers		5,318
	Subdivision No. 34.		
	CONTINGENCIES.		
	Allowance—Staff Officer, at £60 per annum		60
	Allowance in lieu of Quarters—Officers		55
	Lodging Allowance, Non-commissioned Officers, &c.		65
	Field and Travelling Expenses		50
	Clothing		260
	Fuel, Stores, &c.		550
			1,040
	Total Permanent Section Victorian Engineers ...		6,358
	Subdivision No. 35.		
	MILITIA PAY.		
	Head-Quarters Staff.	Maximum.	
1	Colonel	} Privates £7 10s. per an- num, and ranks in proportion.	
2	Lieutenant-Colonels		
2	Majors		
1	Colonel, Medical Staff		
1	Inspecting Veterinary Surgeon		
7			

* Subject to Regraded Pay Regulations.—† With quarters.—‡ With allowance whilst acting as Staff Officer for Engineers £60 per annum.—§ With allowance in lieu of quarters, £55 per annum

Number.					£	£
DIVISION No. 53.						
<i>Field Artillery (Three Batteries).</i>					Maximum.	
1	Lieutenant-Colonel	...	...	...
1	Brigade-Major	...	...	...
3	Majors	...	...	...
3	Captains	...	...	...
9	Lieutenants	...	...	...
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant	...	...	...
3	Battery Quartermaster-Sergeants	...	...	...
18	Sergeants	...	...	...
3	Sergeant-Farriers	...	...	...
3	Sergeant-Collarmakers	...	...	...
18	Corporals	...	...	...
75	Drivers	...	...	...
3	Armourer-Sergeants	...	...	...
3	Trumpeters	...	...	...
125	Gunners	...	...	...
269						
<i>Garrison Artillery (Seven Batteries).</i>						
1	Lieutenant-Colonel	...	...	...
5	Majors	...	...	...
10	Captains	...	...	...
27	Lieutenants	...	...	...
8	Company Sergeants-Major	...	...	...
47	Sergeants	...	...	...
82	Corporals	...	...	...
8	Armament Artificers	...	...	...
14	Assistant Armament Artificers	...	...	...
24	Trumpeters	...	...	...
642	Gunners	...	...	...
868						
<i>Victorian Engineers, Submarine Mining Company.</i>						
1	Major	...	...	...
1	Captain	...	...	...
2	Lieutenants	...	...	...
1	Company Sergeant-Major	...	...	...
5	Sergeants	...	...	...
4	Corporals	...	...	...
1	Bugler	...	...	...
50	Sappers (Class A)	...	...	...
19	Sappers	...	...	...
84						
<i>Queenscliff Section.</i>						
20	Sappers	...	...	...

Privates £7 10s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.

Number.		£	£		
DIVISION NO. 53.					
<i>Victorian Engineers, Field Company.</i>					
		Maximum.			
1	Captain	Private	£7 10s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.		
3	Lieutenants				
1	Company Quartermaster-Sergeant				
3	Sergeants				
7	Corporals				
9	Drivers				
1	Bugler				
50	Sappers				
75					
<i>Infantry.</i>					
1	Colonel	Private	£7 10s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.		
1	Staff Officer for Brigade				
5	Lieutenant-Colonels				
10	Majors				
15	Captains				
60	Lieutenants				
5	Adjutants				
5	Quartermasters				
5	Bandmasters				
5	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeants				
5	Staff-Sergeants				
20	Colour-Sergeants				
80	Sergeants				
80	Corporals				
5	Armourer-Sergeants				
5	Assistant Armourers				
40	Buglers				
1622	Privates				
1969					
<i>Ambulance Corps.</i>					
1	Major, Medical Staff	Private	£7 10s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.		
1	Captain, Medical Staff				
1	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant				
1	Staff-Sergeant Compounder				
2	Sergeants				
3	Corporals				
1	Bugler				
36	Privates				
46					
<i>Army Service Corps.</i>					
1	Major	Private	£7 10s. per annum, and ranks in proportion.		
1	Captain				
3	Lieutenants				
2	Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeants				
1	Company Sergeant-Major				
4	Sergeants				
5	Corporals				
1	Bugler				
32	Privates				
50					
<i>Medical Staff.</i>					
1	Lieutenant-Colonel	Maximum.			
5	Majors	Militia Rates as per Regulations.			
10	Captains				
16					
3404	Total Militia Pay		27,295		

	£	£
DIVISION No. 53.		
Subdivision No. 36.		
MILITIA CONTINGENCIES.		
Effective Allowance	7,926	
Forage Allowance and Horsing Guns	3,680	
Allowances—Bands	250	
Incidentals	1,000	
	12,856	
Total Militia	40,151	
Subdivision No. 37.		
ORDNANCE BRANCH.		
Warlike Stores	1,500	
Greatcoats, Accoutrements, Helmets, Repairs to Equipment, &c.	7,000	
Railway Transport	1,250	
Heavy-gun Ammunition, Ordnance Stores, &c.	7,000	
Bandoliers	800	
Francotte Rifles and Equipment	3,000	
	20,550	
Subdivision No. 38.		
ENCAMPMENTS, ETC.		
Expenses in connexion with Easter Encampments	2,900	
Expenses in connexion with Special Camp of Instruction for Submarine Mining Company	300	
Expenses in connexion with Class of Instruction for Garrison Artillery	160	
	3,360	
Subdivision No. 39.		
Proportion to be provided by the Colony of Victoria towards expenditure in connexion with Defences at Thursday Island	5,150	
Proportion to be provided by the Colony of Victoria towards expenditure in connexion with Defences at King George's Sound	1,700	
	6,850	
Total Division No. 53	196,510	
The sum of ... ..	...	163,470

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

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

IX.—COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
		DIVISION No. 68.		
		TRADE AND CUSTOMS AND MERCANTILE MARINE.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Secretary for Trade and Customs, also Collector of Customs, Melbourne	1,000	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
1	G.	Superintendent, Mercantile Marine Office	250	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
3	1	Chief Clerk, Senior Landing Surveyor, Inspector of Accounts	1,950	
2	2	Assistant Inspector of Accounts, Landing Surveyor	1,035	
10	3	Paymaster, Inspector of Drawbacks, Warehouse-keeper, Receiver, Jerquer, Landing Waiters	4,670	
45	4	Tide Inspector, Tide Surveyors, Assistant Landing Waiters, Collectors, Clerks	13,962	
75	5	Collectors, Tide Waiters, Clerks, Lockers	13,151	
135			34,818	
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
				Maxi- mum.
1		Revenue Detective Inspector	264	264
2		Tea Experts	252	504
1		Caretaker	150	120
1		Overseer of Seamen	258	258
		Lockers—		
		First Grade (including an allowance of £46)	252	14,453
		Second Grade	198	
		Sub-Lockers, Weighers, Watchmen—		
		First Grade	168	1,463
		Second Grade	144	
12		Watchmen	132	120
1		Labourer	120	906
		Senior Messenger	132	906
		Messengers	120	
11		Junior Messengers	72	
3		Coxswains	180	456
3		Engine-drivers	156	468
1		Fireman	120	120
		Boatmen	144	828
		Boys—Steam Launch	60	
138			19,960	
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Drawback Expert	350	
2		Watchmen	288	
3			638	
278		Total SALARIES	56,666	
		Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.		
		Expenses in connexion with Protection of the Revenue	1,675	
		Stores	800	
		Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, Incidental Expenses	1,610	
		Repairs, Fittings, Furniture	100	
		Mercantile Marine Office Expenses	50	
			4,235	
		Total Division No. 68	60,901	
		The sum of ... ..	...	45,174

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 69.				
PORTS AND HARBORS, IMMIGRATION, AND FISHERIES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Engineer in charge of Ports and Harbors, Port Officer, and Immigration Agent ...	600	600
3	G.	Harbor-masters and Pilots* ...	300	459
4				1,059
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Senior Clerk		485
1	4	Clerk		300
3	5	Clerks		472
5				1,257
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
DOCKYARD.				
1		Foreman	312	} 2,383
1		Lighthouse Mechanic	240	
1		Engineer	186	
2		Assistant Smiths	156	
3		Carpenters	156	
1		Assistant Carpenter	120	
2		Engine-drivers	156	
2		Strikers	132	
1		Watchman	132	
1		Foreman Labourer	120	
1		Junior Messenger	72	
16				
GOVERNMENT STEAMER. †				
1		Master	360	} 2,078
1		Engineer	288	
1		Chief Mate	192	
1		Second Mate	162	
3		Firemen	120	
1		Cook and Steward	144	
1		Assistant Cook	120	
6		Seamen	78	
3		Boys	48	
18				
OUTPORTS AND LIGHTHOUSE STATIONS. ‡				
2		Coxswains and Senior Boatmen (also Pilots and Harbor-masters)	180	} 6,735
10		Lighthouse-keepers*	222	
5		Lighthouse-keepers' Senior Assistants*	186	
32		Lighthouse-keepers' Junior Assistants*	162	
1		Engine-driver Steam Launch*	144	
50				
84				11,196

* With quarters.—† Officers, men, and boys allowed rations.—‡ With light and water; and at Gabo Island, Wilson's Promontory, Clifty Island, West Channel, South Channel, and Gellibrand, fuel in addition.

Number.	Classification	£	£
	DIVISION No. 69.		
	Subdivision No. 4.		
	(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)		
1	Marine Surveyor	}	684
1	Gas Engineer		
4	Buymakers', &c., Apprentices and Junior Carpenter		
6			
99	Total SALARIES	14,196	
	Subdivision No. 5.		
	CONTINGENCIES.		
	Expenses in connexion with carrying out the Fisheries and Game Acts	200	
	Wharf Managers, Allowances to	340	
	Oil, Wicks, Glasses, &c.	500	
	Incidentals and Travelling Expenses, Fuel, Light, Water, &c.	400	
	Marine Casualties, Life Boats, &c., and Expenses	600	
	Provisions for Government Steamer	500	
	Extra Labour for Graving Dock, &c.	1,450	
	General Maintenance—Repairs, &c., to Machinery of Alfred Graving Dock and Yard, Patent Slip, Fifty-ton Crane, and Government Steamer; Providing and Repairing Buoys, Beacons, and Moorings; Repairs to Lighthouse and Lightship Apparatus; Construction of Boats, and Repairs to Boats and Launches; Stores and Ship Chandlery; Coal for Dock, Slip, Fifty-ton Crane, Government Steamer, and three Steam Launches	3,560	
	Gas Buoys and Beacons	800	
	Expenses of Marine Survey	940	
	Cleaning and Lighting Wharfs and Jetties	1,200	
	Maintenance of Eight Coast Lights,* including Expenditure on Buildings (under the superintendence of the Public Works Department where necessary)—Stations: Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, Eddystone Point, each one light, and King's Island two lights	3,000	
	Life-saving Rockets	170	
	For renewal of Beacon at Swan Island for Port Phillip Entrance	300	
		13,960	
	Total Division No. 69	28,156	
	The sum of ... ..	...	20,871

* Maintained by the Governments of New South Wales, Tasmania, and Victoria. This estimate, except that for Eddystone Point, is prepared upon the basis of tonnage of vessels using the lights, and is only for the portion payable by Victoria. The maintenance of the Eddystone Point Light is shared equally by the Governments of Tasmania and Victoria.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 70.		
		DISTILLERIES AND EXCISE.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Inspector of Distilleries and Excise (including Allowance)	517	
3	4	Clerks, Inspectors, Assistant Inspectors ...	860	}
15	5		2,855	
19			4,232	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
9		Senior Inspector and Inspectors of Liquor and Excise (including Allowances) ...	204	2,158
1		Messenger	120	120
10				2,278
29		Total SALARIES		6,510
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Stores, Instruments, and Repairs		150
		Fuel, Light, Water, Incidental Expenses		200
		Travelling Expenses to Inspectors, &c.		1,400
		Rewards and Expenses for Discovery of Illicit Distillation		200
				1,950
		Total Division No. 70		8,460
		The sum of		6,110

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 71.				
EXPLOSIVES.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	G.	Inspector of Explosives	800	800
1	G.	Chemical Assistant	250	200
				1,000
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	5	Clerk		200
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2		Inspectors of Explosives (including an allowance)	184	} 1,371
2		Keepers*†	252	
1		Cooper*	180	
1		Sub-Keeper	144	
2		Labourers	120	
1		Junior Messenger	72	
9				
12		Total SALARIES		2,571
Subdivision No. 4.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
Allowances to Keepers Powder Magazinee				235
Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling and Incidental Expenses				530
				765
Total Division No. 71				3,336
The sum of ... ..				...
DIVISION No. 72.				
MARINE BOARD.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Engineer Surveyor	500	360
1	A. & E.	Assistant Engineer Surveyor	300	230
1	G.	Shipwright Surveyor	300	300
1	G.	Inspector of Shipping	450	450
				1,340

2,413

* With fuel.—† One with quarters.

Number.	Classification.		Maximum.	£	£
DIVISION NO. 72.					
Subdivision No. 2.					
CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1	2	Secretary to the Marine Board	£	600	
2	5	Clerks	£	400	
3				1,000	
Subdivision No. 3.					
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.					
1		Messenger	120	120	
8		Total SALARIES		2,460	
Subdivision No. 4.					
CONTINGENCIES.					
		Expenses Court of Marine Inquiry		225	
		Allowances to Examiners, Surveyors, and extra assistance		250	
		Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, Travelling, Legal and Incidental Expenses		600	
		Adjusters of Compasses		125	
		Allowance to Chairman of Marine Board		100	
				1,300	
		Total Division No. 72		3,760	
		The sum of	2,683
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DIVISION NO. 73.					
MISCELLANEOUS.					
No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensations, and Gratuities—					
(Inalterable):—					
		(1) Pension to J. C. Tyler, Esq., late Assistant Commissioner of Trade and Customs	£	450	
		(2) Additional Pension to Mr. T. Judd, late Locker and Clerk, Customs, Melbourne	£	100	
		(3) Pension to Mr. Jas. Reid, formerly Secretary to the Pilot Board, and late Clerk, Customs, Melbourne	£	112	
				662	
2. Refund of Duty paid under exceptional circumstances—					
		(1) Pedestal for Queen's Statue, Ballarat		68	
		Total Division No. 73		730	
		The sum of ... ..		...	562

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 38.

TUESDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the proposed Central Railway Station at Flinders-street; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLean, and the same was read:—

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 16.*

The Lieutenant-Governor begs to transmit to the Legislative Assembly a copy of a telegraphic despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to the Joint Address cabled on behalf of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly in connexion with the announcement of the intended visit to Australia of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York.

Government House,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

Telegram from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 29th September, 1900.

Her Majesty commands me to convey sincere thanks of Herself and Duke and Duchess of York for loyal enthusiasm with which people of Victoria have received announcement of Their Royal Highnesses' intended visit to Australia. Her Majesty the Queen requests you will thank both Houses of the Legislature for their loyal Address, which has been a source of much gratification to the Queen.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. Outtrim presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Mine Ventilation.—Final Report of the Mine Ventilation Bonus Board.
Mr. McColl presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
State Forests and Timber Reserves.—Twelfth Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Forests and Timber Reserves.—The Pyrenees and Minor Kara Kara Reserves, North-Western District, and Tambo Reserves, East Gippsland; with a Short Review of the Work completed by the Commission.

(700 copies.)

Mr. Outtrim presented—

Profit or Loss on Mallee Railways.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 25th July, 1900, for a return showing the approximate profit or loss on the following railway lines from 1894 to 1899 :—Dimboola to Jeparit, Warracknabeal to Hopetoun, Donald to Birchip, Wycheproof to Sea Lake, and Boort to Quambatook. If special rates are charged on any of these lines, the amount of excess rates paid over and above ordinary rates to be specified on each line.

John Hunter.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th September, 1900, for a copy of the papers relating to the case of John Hunter, and the evidence taken at the hearing of the charge against him.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1900.

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., cap. 55, during the year 1899–1900.

Defences and Discipline Act 1890.—Victorian Naval and Military Forces.—Alteration of Financial and Store Regulations.—Part IV.—Allowances.—Order in Council.

Education Act 1890 and Teachers Act 1893.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

5. PETITION.—Mr. Fink presented a Petition from certain wine-growers, wine merchants, and wine retailers of Victoria interested in the prosperity of the pure wine industry of the colony, praying that the opinions of acknowledged wine experts and the Public Health authorities should receive the consideration of the House before passing any measure relating to the adulteration of wine.

On the motion of Mr. Fink, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly and have agreed to another of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

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

7. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize a referendum to the people of a Bill to remove the disqualification of women at elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That Mr. McLean and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. McLean then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize a Referendum to the people of a Bill to remove the Disqualification of Women at Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly,'*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Licensing Act 1890,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

9. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Gavan Duffy moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message, intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Licensing Act 1890,'*" be now read a first time.

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

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893'*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the Year One thousand nine hundred and one*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

11. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Graham, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Graham, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. COMMONWEALTH ARRANGEMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Irvine, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
On the motion of Mr. Irvine, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Irvine moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Irvine, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
13. FEDERAL AND VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTS REPRESENTATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. McLean, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. McLean moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLean, read a third time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

15. **WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY.**—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to construct a line of railway from Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta.

Mr. Kerr moved, as an amendment, That "Woomelang" be omitted with a view to insert "Hopetoun" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. J. W. Mason,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. Mauger,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. White.
Mr. A. Harris,	
Mr. J. Harris,	
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	

Tellers.

Mr. Craven,
Mr. McBride.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toucher,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Methven,	
Mr. O'Neill,	
Mr. Sadler,	
Mr. Spiers,	

Tellers.

Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Morrissey.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That in the opinion of this House it is expedient to construct a line of railway from Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 39.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Sterry rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The anomalies existing in reference to the position of that branch of the employes of the Railways Department known as 'Twilighters' and other branches of the same Department."
Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and twelve Members having accordingly risen—
Mr. Sterry moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLean, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 17.

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

"An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Newtown to Pitfield."

"An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain Land in the County of Borung known as the Walmer Estate."

Government House,
Melbourne, 26th September, 1900.
4. PAPER.—Mr. McLean presented—
Government Servants Working Seven Days a Week.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 22nd August, 1900, for a return showing—
 1. The number of Government servants working seven days a week.
 2. The nature of the work they perform.
 3. The extra pay, if any, paid for such service.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

6. RAILWAY LOCAL RATES BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the charging of local rates on certain lines of railway.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE REFERENDUM BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. McLean moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. McLean, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
 On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. McLean moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLean, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred*” without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
 President.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 3rd October, 1900.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Supreme Court Act 1890,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

W. A. ZEAL,
 President.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 3rd October, 1900.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to some of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,
 President.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 3rd October, 1900.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,
 President.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 3rd October, 1900.

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

12. **WHITFIELD ESTATE.**—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolution :—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Whitfield Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 27th day of September, 1900.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of closer settlement the Whitfield Estate, particulars of which are included in the Provisional Contract and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 27th day of September, 1900.

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

Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

13. **WHITFIELD ESTATE PURCHASE BILL.**—Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 19 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

 THURSDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. McLean presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
 - Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the year 1899—
 - Part IV.—Finance, &c.
 - Part V.—Vital Statistics, &c.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

 - Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1900.
3. GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the sale of certain lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in the Bill.
 - Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. RAILWAY LOCAL RATES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 - Debate ensued.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 - Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - And, on the further motion of Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 - Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 - On the motion of Mr. Outtrim, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 - Mr. Outtrim moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Outtrim, read a third time.
 - Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4.

6. **WOOMELANG TO MILDURA AND YELTA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRIDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1900.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same with an amendment.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 and Nos. 5 to 23 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

8. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. McLean moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative

And then the House, at forty-four minutes past twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day, at half-past one o'clock p.m.

W. V. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 41.

FRIDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
- Water Acts—
- Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate (Draft Form).—Regulation No. 8.
- Twelve Mile Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
- Wandella Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Rating Regulation.
- Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 27.
3. CITY OF MELBOURNE FURTHER LOAN BILL.—Mr. Outtrim moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Irvine, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Ordered—That Mr. Irvine and Mr. Outtrim do prepare and bring in the Bill.
- Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. BUNGAREE JUNCTION RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
- Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And, on the further motion of Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
- On the motion of Mr. Outtrim, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
- Mr. Outtrim moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Outtrim, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

5. **PRINCE'S-BRIDGE APPROACH BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McColl moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

6. **NORTHCOTE TRAMWAY EXTENSION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

7. **ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER ACT 1896 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments of the Legislative Council on one of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendment of the Legislative Assembly.

How dealt with by the Legislative Council.

Insert the following new clause :—

B. No council company or person supplying or using electricity under the provisions of the Principal Act or this Act shall employ any servant or workman engaged in manual or mechanical labour for more than six days in each week. Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment. In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate. Any council company or person offending against this provision shall be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered with or without costs by any person in a court of petty sessions.

Agreed to by the Legislative Council with the following amendments :—Line 1, omit "or using"; line 12, omit "extra" and insert "overtime on"; line 12, omit "labour"; line 13, omit "labour" and insert "overtime"; line 17, omit "Fifty" and insert "Ten."

And, after debate—

Amendment to omit "or using," in line 1, agreed to with the following consequential amendment :—

Line 3, after "employ," insert "in connexion with such supply."

Amendment to omit "extra," in line 12, agreed to; amendment to insert "overtime on" disagreed with; amendment to omit "labour," in line 12, agreed to; amendment to omit "labour," in line 13, and to insert "overtime" disagreed with; and the following consequential amendments made :—Line 12, omit "involving" and insert "requiring any person who has already worked on the six preceding consecutive days or who has worked forty-eight hours upon the preceding days to work on"; and, line 14, after "overtime" insert "beyond forty-eight hours in any one week."

Amendment to omit "Fifty," in line 17, and insert "Ten" agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in new clause B, have disagreed with others, and have made consequential amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

8. SUPREME COURT ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill and insisted on by the Council having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment of the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

Clause 5, omit this clause.

Disagreed with by the Assembly, and insisted on by the Council. Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly but the following amendment made in the clause :—Clause 5, page 3, line 3, omit all the words after “1890” to the end of the clause and insert the following:—“If the client shall seek to set aside such agreement or to reduce the amount payable thereunder on the ground that the same is unfair or unreasonable he may proceed in a summary manner before the Court or a Judge who shall have power upon proof thereof to order such agreement to be cancelled or the amount payable thereunder to be reduced, and may give all such directions as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of carrying such order into effect.”

Amendment to omit clause 5 still insisted on by Council.

Mr. Irvine moved, That this House do still insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 5.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly still insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 5 of the said Bill.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 8 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

10. VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 10 to 22 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying that the *Patents Act* 1890 may be amended in respect to the principle as to novelty in patents, so as not to favour foreign manufacturers as against Victorian citizens, and also that the administration of the Patents Office may be improved, were presented :—

By Mr. Peacock—

From certain patentees, inventors, and persons interested in promoting Victorian industries.

By Sir George Turner—

From certain patentees, inventors, and persons interested in promoting Victorian industries.

On the motion of Sir George Turner, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Petition presented by him to be read.

The Petition was read by the Clerk.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Watt presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Correspondence relating to the Eastern Extension Company's proposals for additional Telegraph Communication between Great Britain and Australasia, *vid* the Cape of Good Hope, and the proposals for a Submarine Cable between Canada and Australasia across the Pacific Ocean.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—

Land Acts.—Additional Regulations.—Order in Council.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Dairying Companies Act 1900'*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the 'Local Government Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

Clause 1, line 12, after "shall" insert "be deemed and taken to have."

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

8. LIMITATION OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER.—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order limiting the time for calling on fresh business be suspended for the remainder of the Session, so as to allow Government business to be called on at any time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until this day.

10. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 5, line 22, omit "for each man be not less than" and insert "upon the average be equal to."

Mr. Irvine moved, That, as the proposed amendment involves an alteration in an appropriation made by this House of public moneys, this House declines to entertain the same, and that the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message to that effect.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McColl, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,

Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 18.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the sale of certain lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 5th October, 1900.

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

12. GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Message, No. 18, having been read—On the motion of Mr. McColl, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to provide for the sale of certain lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes.

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

13. GEELONG LANDS SALE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McColl moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive be postponed until this day.

15. CITY OF MELBOURNE FURTHER LOAN BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive, and Nos. 9 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

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

Mr. Beazley also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

18. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1900-1901.—Mr. Beazley reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900-1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

III.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Number	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 27.		
		SUPREME COURT.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
1		Chief Clerk—Under the <i>Supreme Court Act 1890</i>	1,200	
1		Acting Chief Clerk—Under <i>Supreme Court Rules, Order LX., Rule 2*</i>	200	
4		Judges' Associates	1,150	
6			2,550	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	4	Judges' Associates	700	
8		Total SALARIES	3,250	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses of Their Honours the Judges	800	
		Total Division No. 27	4,050	
		The sum of ... ..	...	2,749
		DIVISION No. 28.		
		LAW OFFICERS OF THE CROWN.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		The Secretary to the Law Department	750	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
	L.		Maxi- mum. £	
1		Parliamentary Draftsman	1300	1,300
1		Assistant in Attorney-General's Office	285	250
2				1,550
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk and Accountant		450
1	2	Collector of Imposts under Act No 1140		600
1	3	Clerk		485
1	4	Clerk		350
10	5	Clerks		1,713
14				3,598

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 28.				
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum. £	
1		Caretaker and Senior Messenger...	...	130
1		Messenger	120	120
1		Junior Messenger	72	66
1		Lift Attendant	32/10	33
4				349
Subdivision No. 5.				
(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
4		Prosecutors for the Queen, to act throughout Victoria—One at £1,100, one at £860, and two at £660		3,280
1		Government Analytical Chemist *		600
5				3,880
26		Total SALARIES		10,127
Subdivision No. 6.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Professional Assistance, including Costs and Expenses of Legal Proceedings		3,000
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses		1,000
		For Defence of Persons without means charged with Capital Crimes, and Aborigines charged with Indictable Offences		150
		Victorian Law Reports, Law Times, &c., including Books and Reports for Library		250
				4,400
		Total Division No. 28		14,527
		The sum of		10,289
DIVISION No. 29.				
CROWN SOLICITOR.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
1	L.	Crown Solicitor		1,000
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
3	3	Clerks		1,420
2	4	Clerks		700
12	5	Clerks		2,400
17				4,520
		Deduct—to be repaid by Railway Department		600
				3,920
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum. £	
2		Type-writers	144	240
2		Junior Messengers	72	144
4				384
22		Total SALARIES		5,304
Subdivision No. 4.—CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses		500
		Total Division No. 29		5,804
		The sum of		4,276

* Finds his own Assistant and Chemical

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 30.		
		PROTHONOTARY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Prothonotary	600	
2	4	Clerks	700	
4	5	Clerks	800	
7			2,100	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Junior Messenger	66	
8		Total SALARIES	2,166	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Stores and Incidental Expenses	30	
		Total Division No. 30	2,196	
		The sum of	1,634
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		DIVISION No. 31.		
		MASTER IN EQUITY AND LUNACY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Chief Clerk and Officer for Probate Duty ...	750	
1	2	Second Clerk and Registrar of Probates and Administrations	600	
1	3	Clerk	485	
1	4	Clerk	350	
8	5	Clerks	1,600	
12			3,785	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Messenger	120	
13		Total SALARIES	3,905	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Expenses connected with the Duties on Estates of Deceased Persons ...	300	
		Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, including Guarantee Premium of Master-in-Equity under Section 255 of Act No. 1142 ...	75	
			375	
		Total Division No. 31	4,280	
		The sum of ... ..	...	3,132

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 32.		
		REGISTRAR-GENERAL AND REGISTRAR OF TITLES.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1	a	Commissioner of Titles		1,250
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
		Grade.	Maxi- mum.	
2		2 Examiners (one acting as Chief Examiner)	£ 650	1,300
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles ...		600
1	2	Clerk *		600
3	3	Clerks †		1,455
12	4	Clerks		3,875
1	5	Clerk and Compositor		200
51	5	Clerks		9,110
69				15,840
		SURVEY BRANCH.		
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	S.	Surveyor and Chief Draughtsman	600	600
6		Junior Draughtsmen	200	1,170
7				1,770
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	3	Draughtsmen		900
		Grade.	Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	4 f	1 Draughtsman	300	300
1	4 f	2 Draughtsman	270	270
4	4 f	3 Draughtsmen	240	960
2	5	Draughtsmen		400
2	5	Clerks		400
12				3,230
		Subdivision No. 6.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Clerk	204	204
1		Senior Messenger ‡ (and Caretaker)	150	156
7		Junior Messengers	72	378
2		Messengers	96	168
1		Labourer	104	94
12				1,000
103		Total SALARIES		24,390

* Deputy Registrar-General, and Assistant Registrar of Titles. — † Two Assistant Registrars of Titles. — ‡ With quarters.

DIVISION No. 32		£	£
Subdivision No. 7.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Temporary Clerical Assistance and Temporary Draughtsmen	...	800	
Purchase of Parchment for Certificates of Titles, Check Surveys and Lithographing, and Works of Reference for Library	... ..	200	
Fuel, Light, Water, and Stores, including Cases for Register Book, and Incidental Expenses	... ..	500	
		1,500	
Total Division No. 32	... ..	25,890	
The sum of	... ..	...	18,787
DIVISION No. 33.			
PATENTS.			
SALARIES.			
Subdivision No. 1.			
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.			
3	G.	Examiners of Patents	£ 400 1,150
Subdivision No. 2.			
CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1	3	Senior Examiner	450
1	4	Clerk	300
3	5	Clerks	600
5			1,350
Subdivision No. 3.			
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1		Messenger*	£ 120 120
1		Type-writer	144 120
2			240
10		Total SALARIES	2,740
Subdivision No. 4.			
CONTINGENCIES.			
Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses, including Photo-lithography, &c., for Indexes, Payment of Experts, and Books for Library	... ..	150	
Printing and Lithographing Index of Patents for the Years 1893 to 1896 inclusive	... ..	900	
		1,050	
Total Division No. 33	... ..	3,790	
The sum of	... ..	...	3,000

* With quarters.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 34.					£	£
		SHERIFF.						
		SALARIES.						
		Subdivision No. 1.						
		CLERICAL DIVISION.						
1	2	Sheriff	...	...	...	...	600	
2	4	Clerks	...	...	...	...	650	
3	5	Clerks	...	...	...	...	600	
6							1,850	
		Deduct—to be repaid by Supreme Court Library Committee					200	
							1,650	
		Subdivision No. 2.						
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.						
						Maxi- mum. £		
1		Superintendent, Law Courts (acting)*	...	...	...	174	156	
5		Court Keepers, Criers, and Messengers,* one to the 13th June, 1901, at £156 per annum	...	...	...	132	729	
1		Messenger	...	...	...	120	120	
1		Attendant at Law Courts	...	...	...	120	120	
3		Labourers	...	...	...	120	300	
5		Junior Messengers	...	...	...	72	324	
2		Bailiffs	...	...	...	204	408	
18							2,157	
24		Total SALARIES					3,807	
		Subdivision No. 3.						
		CONTINGENCIES.						
		Allowances to Witnesses at the Supreme Court Sittings for the hearing of Criminal Trials					2,750	
		Fees to Jurors					5,000	
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, Travelling and Incidental Expenses, and Wages of Charwomen					1,300	
		Refund to Bailiffs of Guarantee Premiums when their gross receipts do not amount to £65					200	
							9,250	
		Total Division No. 34					13,057	
		The sum of ... ..					...	7,097
		DIVISION No. 35.						
		MISCELLANEOUS.						
		Gratuity to Junior Messenger at Crown Law Offices					6	
		Gratuity to Lift Attendant at Crown Law Offices (5s. 7d.)					1	
		Gratuity to Junior Messenger at Prothonotary's Office					6	
		Gratuities to Junior Messengers in Offices of Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles—Three at £6 each					18	
		Total Division No. 35					31	
		The sum of ... ..					...	31

* Acting Superintendent, Law Courts, Melbourne, and Court Keeper, Geelong, have quarters, fuel, light, and water; Court Keeper, Ballarat, fuel, light, and water.

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

IV.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 36.		
		COUNTY COURTS, COURTS OF INSOLVENCY, COURTS OF MINES, GENERAL AND PETTY SESSIONS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
5	α	Judges at £1,500	7,500	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Official Accountant	750	
1	4	Clerk	300	
3	5	Clerks	415	
5			1,465	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Messenger and Crier, Insolvency Court, Melbourne	120	120
1		Courtkeeper, Crier, and Messenger, County Court, Melbourne	156	146
1		Messenger, City Police Court, Melbourne *	120	120
3				386
13		Total SALARIES		9,351
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Assessors' and Jurors' Fees		300
		Allowances to Witnesses at General and Petty Sessions, and at Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries, in accordance with the Regulations of the Governor in Council		2,000
		Allowances to Acting Clerks of Courts at various places who are not under the provisions of the <i>Public Service Act 1890</i>		1,250
		Office-keepers' Allowances		1,600
		Travelling Expenses of County Court Judges (to be fixed by an Order in Council from time to time)		950
		Travelling Expenses of Clerks of Courts, including the Travelling Expenses of those who act at more than one Court		3,000
		Fuel, Light, Water, Stores, and Incidental Expenses for Courts in Melbourne and throughout the colony		1,200
		To recoup the Official Accountant fees paid by him for having the accounts when audited filed		60
		For Purchase of Law Reports		550
				10,910
		Total Division No. 36		20,261
		The sum of		12,919

* With quarters, fuel, light, and water.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 37.		
		POLICE MAGISTRATES AND WARDENS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
	L.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Police Magistrate, Metropolitan ...	950	950
2		Police Magistrates, First Grade—One to 30th September, 1900 ...	750	938
14		Police Magistrates, Second Grade ...	650	9,100
3		Police Magistrates, Second Grade ...	550	1,500
20				12,488
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses ...		3,250
		Total Division No. 37 ...		15,738
		The sum of ...		10,915
		DIVISION No. 38.		
		CLERKS OF COURTS.		
		SALARIES.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk, Insolvency Court, Clerk of the Peace and Registrar of the County Court, Melbourne		485
18	4	Clerks ...		5,950
70	5	Clerks ...		13,920
89		Total Division No. 38 ...		20,355
		The sum of ...		15,264
		DIVISION No. 39.		
		CORONERS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Labourer, City Morgue ...	120	104

	£	£
DIVISION No. 39.		
Subdivision No. 2.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
No. 1. Coroner's Commuted Allowance, subject to approval by the Governor in Council	650	
2. Surgeons—Remuneration to, for each <i>post-mortem</i> examination by dissection, £2 2s. ; and £1 1s. for attendance, &c., at each Inquest or Inquiry and Adjournment, with Travelling Expenses at the rate of 1s. per mile from usual place of abode to place of intended Inquest or Inquiry, one way only, subject to the payment of special fees in exceptional cases under the authority of the Minister	4,000	
3. Jurors' Fees	850	
4. Payments in respect to Inquests and Magisterial Inquiries; Stores, Fuel, Light, &c.; Travelling Expenses (actual) of Justices of the Peace when holding Inquests or Magisterial Inquiries; and Incidental Expenses	500	
	6,000	
Total Division No. 39	6,104	
The sum of	3,577
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DIVISION No. 40.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Allowance to Ambrose Noonan, 5th Class Clerk in the Office of Official Accountant, for loss of quarters, &c., through transfer to Law Department	12	
Allowance to Messenger and Crier, Insolvency Court, Melbourne, for performing extra duties	6	
	18	
Total Division No. 40	18	
The sum of ... ..	...	18

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

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

V.—TREASURER.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 41.		
		TREASURY.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Under-Treasurer	853	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	{ 1	Receiver and Paymaster, Melbourne	600	
	{ 1	Accountant to the Treasury	600	
1	{ 2	Chief Clerk	485	
8	{ 3	Clerks and Receivers and Paymasters, including	3,845	
25	{ 4	one Secretary to the Tender Board, one In-	7,981	
48	{ 5	specting Officer (Act No. 1323), and one Paying	9,097	
		Officer of Pensions		
		Allowance to Receiver and Paymaster, Warrack-	24	
		nabeal		
84			22,632	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			aximum.	
			£	
1		Despatch Clerk	156	200
1		Messenger	120	120
2		Junior Messengers	72	144
4				464
89		Total SALARIES		23,949
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Allowances to Collectors of Imposts (unclassified)		170
		Allowances to Postmistresses who perform Treasury duties		92
		Temporary Clerical Assistance		100
		Office-cleaners		500
		Travelling Expenses		850
		Stores, Stationery, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses		600
				2,312
		Total Division No. 41		26,261
		The sum of		19,558

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 42.		
		INCOME TAX OFFICE.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
1	α	Commissioner of Taxes (see Master-in-Equity). Allowance to Commissioner... ..	300	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	1	Deputy Commissioner of Taxes	600	
1	3	Chief Clerk	485	
1	3	Accountant	485	
2	4	Clerks	675	
42	5	Clerks	7,260	
47			9,505	
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maximum	
3		Assistants	£ 174	470
2		Junior Assistants *	72	152
5				622
53		Total SALARIES		10,427
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Fuel, Light, Stores, and Stationery, Incidental and Travelling Expenses, Clerical Assistance, and Gratuities to Officers transferred from Railway Department		785
		Total Division No. 42		11,212
		The sum of		8,272

* One to be paid at the rate of £80 per annum.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 43.				
CURATOR OF ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
1		Curator—Allowance (in addition to commission) not to exceed	50	
SALARIES.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	3	Chief Clerk	350	
1	4	Accountant	325	
1	4	Clerk	295	
4	5	Clerks	604	
7			1,574	
8		Total SALARIES	1,624	
Subdivision No. 2.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Stores, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidental Expenses	80	
		Total Division No. 43	1,704	
		The sum of ... ..	...	1,281
DIVISION No. 44.				
GOVERNMENT PRINTER.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	1	Government Printer	750	
1	2	Superintendent	450	
1	3	Accountant	300	
1	3	Printing Overseer	282	
1	4 f	Printing Sub-Overseer	246	
1	5	Store Clerk	200	
1	4 f	Computer	264	
1	3	Stamp Printing Overseer	485	
1	4 f	Stamp Printing Sub-Overseer	270	
1	4	Clerk and Ticket Printer	325	
1	4	Clerk	350	
11	5	Clerks	2,200	
1	4 f	Type Storeman	228	
1	4 f	Warehouseman	228	
		Grade.		
1	4 f	1st Reader	246	
2	4 f	3rd Readers	456	
1	4 f	4th Reader	220	
3	4 f	Foremen of Compositors	660	
		Grade.		
7	5 f	1st Compositors	1,400	
3	5 f	2nd Compositors	549	
1	5 f	3rd Compositor	168	
42			10,277	

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 44.		
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
		Grade.		
8		2nd	Compositors	1,464
12		3rd	Compositors	2,016
				Maxi- mum.
			£	
1			Bookbinders—Overseer	360
1			Bookbinders—Sub-Overseer	288
		Grade.		
3		1st	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers	204
6		2nd	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers	186
5		3rd	Bookbinders and Paper Rulers	168
				1,116
				840
2			Bookbinders' Assistants	144
				288
		Grade.		
5		1st	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators)	72
3		2nd	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators)	66
1		3rd	Sewer and Book Folder (including Stamp Perforator)	60
2		4th	Sewers and Book Folders (including Stamp Perforators)	54
				198
				60
				108
1			Printers—Foreman	800
				800
		Grade.		
1		1st	Printers' Machineman	204
1		2nd	Printers' Machineman	186
5		3rd	Printers' Machinemen	168
				840
1			Machine Assistant, Senior	132
6			Machine Assistants	108
1			Paper Wetter	132
1			Roller Caster	144
1			Electrotyper	234
1			Carpenter	156
3			Warehouseman's Assistants	150
				234
				157
				450

	£	£
DIVISION No. 46.		
GRANT TO CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS (including Salary of Inspector of Public Charities)	110,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	80,000
DIVISION No. 47.		
TRANSPORT, SAMPLES, AND MARINE INSURANCE ...	2,500	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,700
DIVISION No. 48.		
UNFORESEEN AND ACCIDENTAL EXPENDITURE ...	3,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,500
DIVISION No. 49.		
ALLOWANCE TO THE RAILWAY DEPARTMENT FOR CARRIAGE OF GRAIN AT REDUCED RATES ...	45,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	45,000
DIVISION No. 50.		
ALLOWANCE TO RAILWAY DEPARTMENT FOR CARRIAGE AND USE OF VICTORIAN COAL ...	15,000	
The sum of ... ..	...	15,000
DIVISION No. 51.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses in connexion with the Maffra Beet Sugar Factory ...	500	
2. Allowances to aged Pioneers, at the rate of 20s. per week :—		
To Mrs. Robert Russell	£52 2 10	
„ Mr. James Kirby	52 2 10	
„ Mr. Thomas Bates	52 2 10	
„ Mr. John Wood Beilby	52 2 10	
	£208 11 4	209
Total Division No. 51 ... ..	...	709
The sum of ... ..	...	649

Mr. Beazley reported from the Committee of Supply the details of a certain resolution, the full amount of which has been already reported to the House, and which were read and are as follow :—

	£	£
DIVISION No. 52.		
ADVANCE TO THE TREASURER.		
To enable the Treasurer to make advances to Public Officers and others	200,000	

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

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 54.		
		SURVEY, SALE, AND MANAGEMENT OF CROWN LANDS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Lands and Registrar of Land Tax ...	800	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
	S.	PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Surveyor-General	700	600
			Grade.	
3		District Surveyors	1 500	1,260
1		District Surveyor	2 400	350
5		Assistant Surveyors ... ..	... 300	1,325
1		Draughtsman ... ..	... 360	360
6		Junior Draughtsmen ... ..	... 200	1,156
17				5,051
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	2	Chief Clerk and Accountant ... ..	... ..	485
4	3	Clerks ... ..	... ..	1,905
23	4	Clerks ... ..	... ..	6,895
72	5	Clerks ... ..	... ..	12,748
1	2	Chief Draughtsman ... ..	... ..	485
1	3	Draughtsman ... ..	... ..	485
1	4	Superintending Draughtsman ... ..	... ..	325
			Number.	Grade.
15	4f }	Draughtsmen	3 1	900
		Draughtsmen	3 2	810
		Draughtsmen	9 3	2,160
1	4	Lithographer ... ..	... ..	325
1	4	Photographer ... ..	... ..	350
2	5	Lithographers ... ..	... ..	400
16	5	Draughtsmen ... ..	... ..	3,200
138				31,473

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 54.				
Subdivision No. 4.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Engraver	360	360
1		Type-writer *	78	84
1		Lithographic Printer	240	204
3		Printers	192	520
2		Assistant Printers †	120	268
1		Stone Polisher	132	132
1		Assistant Photographer	216	180
1		Engineer	216	180
10		Crown Lands Bailiffs	204	1,700
1		Senior Messenger	132	132
1		Plan Moulder ‡	166	168
2		Junior Messengers	66	132
25				4,060
Subdivision No. 5.				
(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
9		Draughtsmen		1,440
3		Clerks		300
1		Lithographic Printer		156
1		Lithographic Draughtsman		160
1		Bailiff of Crown Lands		160
15				2,216
196		Total SALARIES		43,600
Subdivision No. 6.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Additional Assistance		3,000
		Office Cleaners		850
		Equipment Allowances (Surveyors)		550
		Forage Allowances (Crown Lands Bailiffs)		870
		Wages of Labourers in Survey Parties		2,750
		Fuel, Light, and Water		130
		Stores, Stationery, Incidentals, Engrossing, &c., by Contract		2,500
		Photographic Stores		100
		Travelling Expenses, including expenses connected with Land Classification Boards		2,500
		Commissions on Sales of Land		100
		Claims under the Land Act		200
		Allowance to Crown Lands Bailiff		100
				13,650
Subdivision No. 7.				
		Surveys by Contract, Surveys of Standard Lines, Feature Surveys, and Road Surveys		3,000
		Surveys under the <i>Settlement on Lands Act</i> 1893		50
		Payment of balances of Survey Fees under the provisions of Section 183, <i>Land Act</i> 1898		5,000
		Repairs to Trigonometrical Stations		50
				8,100
		Total Division No. 54		65,350
		The sum of		48,067

* To be paid at the rate of £84 per annum. † One to be paid at the rate of £148 per annum.
‡ To be paid at the rate of £168 per annum.

Number.	Classification	DIVISION No. 55.				£	£
		PUBLIC PARKS, GARDENS, AND RESERVES.					
		SALARIES.					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				Maxi- mum.	
					£		
1		Gardener	...	...	...	132	132
1		Labourer	...	...	...	120	120
2							252
Subdivision No. 2.—(Inalterable.)							
No. 1.		Maintenance and Improvement of Treasury Gardens and Studley Park	...	...	...		475
2.		Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving the following Gardens and Parks, jointly vested in the Board of Land and Works and the City Council of Melbourne, on the understanding that a sum of £2,000 be contributed by such Council, viz.:—Fitzroy Gardens, Carlton Gardens, Flagstaff Gardens, Yarra Park, Prince's Park, Fawcner Park, Flinders Park, Lincoln Square, Argyle Square, Curtain Square, Macarthur Square, Murchison Square, Darling Square, and University Square	...	...	...		2,000
3.		Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Edinburgh Gardens, City of Fitzroy, on the understanding that a sum of £200 be contributed by the Fitzroy City Council	...	...	...		200
4.		Grant to the Committee of Management for Maintaining and Improving Darling Gardens, City of Collingwood, on the understanding that a sum of £150 be contributed by the Collingwood City Council	...	...	...		150
5.		Grant to the Richmond City Council for Maintaining the Barkly Gardens, on the understanding that a sum of £50 be contributed by the Richmond City Council	...	...	...		50
6.		To the Melbourne City Council for Forming and Planting Ornamental Reserve along the St. Kilda-road, £500 to be contributed by the Council		500
							3,375
		Total Division No. 55		3,627
		The sum of		2,725
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		DIVISION No. 56.					
		BOTANICAL AND DOMAIN GARDENS.					
		SALARIES.					
		Subdivision No. 1.					
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.					
1	Sc.	Curator of Botanical Gardens*	...	...	...		600
Subdivision No. 2.							
CLERICAL DIVISION.							
1	4	Clerk†	...	...	...		350
1	5	Clerk	...	...	...		200
2							550

* With quarters.—† With quarters whilst residing at Botanical Gardens.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 56.				
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2		Foremen	168	310
12		Gardeners	132	1,566
1		Label Writer	132	120
2		Mechanics	144	270
1		Carpenter	156	156
1		Carpenter's Assistant	120	120
2		Junior Gardeners	84	166
15		Labourers	126	1,666
2		Carters	126	230
1		Labourer's Boy	48	60
1		Night Watchman	132	114
40				4,778
Subdivision No. 4.				
<i>(Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>				
1		Gardener for Government House		108
1		Label Writer		132
1		Gardener		126
3				366
46		Total SALARIES		6,294
Subdivision No. 5.				
CONTINGENCIES.				
		Additional Labour, also Sunday Watchmen		500
		Cartage of Stone, Gravel, &c.		200
		Forage and Shoeing of Cart-horses		120
		Purchase of Seeds and Plants		70
		Sundry Works		410
		Outer Domain Improvements		580
				1,880
		Total Division No. 56		8,174
		The sum of		6,115
DIVISION No. 57.				
EXPENSES OF CARRYING OUT THE LAND TAX ACT.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
Registrar of Land Tax (see "Secretary for Lands").				
1	3	Chief Clerk		350
1	4	Clerk		350
2		Total SALARIES		700
Subdivision No. 2.				
		Expenses generally		200
		Total Division No. 57		900
		The sum of		645

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 58.		
		EXTIRPATION OF RABBITS AND WILD ANIMALS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Chief Inspector under Vermin Destruction Act	Maximum. £ 370	320
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	5	Clerk		200
2		Total SALARIES		520
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		Expenses generally of carrying out the Vermin Destruction Act, including subsidies to Shire Councils for the destruction of foxes and wild animals		13,300
		Total Division No. 58		13,820
		The sum of		10,365
		DIVISION No. 59.		
		ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOSER SETTLEMENT.		
		SALARY.—Subdivision No. 1.		
1	4	Clerk		200
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		Expenses generally		200
		Total Division No. 59		400
		The sum of		250
		DIVISION No. 60.		
		STATE FORESTS AND NURSERIES.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
1	G.	Conservator of Forests	Maximum. £ 750	750
1		Inspector of Forests	400	400
1		Assistant Inspector of Forests	290	290
3				1,440
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
2	4	Clerks		650
1	4 ^f	Draughtsman		240
2	5	Clerks		400
5			Maximum. £ 1,290	1,290
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
23		Foresters	£ 204	3,391
31		Total SALARIES		6,121

	£	£
DIVISION No. 60.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Allowances, Travelling Expenses, &c.	2,684	
Tools, Stores, &c.	100	
Forage for Cart-horses	50	
Fencing State Forests, Wire Netting, &c.	175	
Rewards for information <i>re</i> careless use of Fire in State Forests ...	20	
Planting, Thinning, Labour, Seed, &c., in Wattle and other Plantations	4,250	
Supervising Sleeper hewing and other Timber operations, including wages and allowances for Thirteen Foremen	1,750	
Improvements and Thinning in State Forests	2,500	
	11,529	
Total Division No. 60	17,650	
The sum of ... ..	...	12,116

DIVISION No. 61.		
VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS AND LABOUR COLONIES.		
Village Settlements and Expenses in connexion therewith	500	
Labour Colonies	3,000	
Total Division No. 61	3,500	
The sum of ... ..	...	2,500

DIVISION No. 62.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Expenses of Engine-driver, West Melbourne Swamp	50	
2. Improvement of Albert Park and Lake	500	
3. To the Trustees of Ocean Park, Sorrento, licence-fees for Grazing and Lime sites	4	
4. To the Committee of Management of the Hepburn Mineral Spring Park, fees received for the occupation of the site of the Mineral Spring	50	
5. Publication of Pamphlet by the Conservator of Forests, and Collection of Victorian Woods for the Agent-General's Office	94	
6. For the erection of Buildings in and for the improvement of Scoresby Park, Ferntree Gully	500	
7. Registration of Liens in connexion with Seed Wheat Advances	53	
8. To provide for repairs to the road leading from Inglis-street to the Sand ground at Port Melbourne	300	
9. Maintenance and repairs of roads at Village Settlements, together with expenses and loans to Village Settlers in connexion with losses caused by floods	1,000	
Total Division No. 62	2,551	
The sum of ... ..	...	1,551

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Number.	Classification.		£	£
		DIVISION No. 63.		
		PUBLIC WORKS.		
		SALARIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
		Secretary for Public Works (see Secretary for Agriculture).		
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	A. & E.	Inspector-General of Public Works ...	1000	1,000
		Grade.		
1	"	1 Architect	600	600
3	"	... Architects	500	1,500
5	"	Assistant Architects	360	1,800
2	"	Engineers	600	1,119
1	"	Engineer	400	400
1	" f	Assistant Engineer	360	300
3	"	Junior Draughtsmen	200	600
17				7,319
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk and Accountant		485
4	4	Clerks		1,200
1	4	Clerk and Draughtsman		350
1	4	Draughtsman		350
1	4f	Inspector of Road Works		260
10	5	Clerks		2,000
1	5	Clerk		50
2	5	Architectural Draughtsmen		400
4	5	Junior Draughtsmen		800
25				5,895
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		1 Inspector of Works	300	300
14		2 Inspectors of Works	276	3,860
1		Type-writer	144	132
1		Type-writer	132	94
1		Caretaker, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	240	240
1		Messenger	96	84
2		Junior Messengers	66	132
3		Engineer Mechanics—Two (2) at £221 14s.	210	654
1		Engineer Mechanic	176	170

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 63.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
2	Cabinetmakers	... ..	168	336
1	Carpenter	... ..	156	156
1	Hall Porter, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	... ..	108	102
1	Night Watchman, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens	... ..	126	126
5	Foreman of Labourers	... ..	120	556
	Labourers, Public Offices, Treasury Gardens, at from £100 to £120	... ..	120	
1	Labourer, Government House	... ..	120	100
1	Cleaner and Caretaker, Public Offices, Bendigo *	... ..	100	100
<i>Dredging and Snagging Works.</i>				
3	Masters of Vessels	... ..	252	540
1	Master of Dredge	... ..	210	200
1	Coxswain	... ..	144	144
3	Second Mates of Vessels	... ..	180	456
2	Engineers	... ..	228	372
2	Firemen—One at £152 11s.	... ..	138	291
1	Foreman, Dredging Works	... ..	192	192
2	Divers' Attendants, occasionally acting as Divers	... ..	138	276
	Extra pay, at 6s. per diem, for ditto when diving (say on 250 days)	... ..	...	150
1	Diver's Attendant	... ..	126	126
4	Deck Hands—Two (2) at £127 2s.	... ..	120	495
1	Labourer	... ..	120	114
58				10,498
Subdivision No. 5.				
<i>Exempt from the provisions of Act No. 1133.</i>				
1	Hall Attendant, Government House	... ..	120	120
101				23,832
		Total SALARIES		23,832

* With quarters.

DIVISION No. 63.

Subdivision No. 6.

CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Temporary Assistance, including Sunday labour and gratuity for		
Shorthand writing	100	
Pupil Draughtsmen	120	
Travelling Expenses	3,500	
Lithographing, Printing Bills of Quantities, &c., and Mounting Plans...	30	
Stores, Printed Books, &c., and Incidental Expenses	350	
Lighting for Government House	450	
Fuel, Light, Keeper's Stores, Incidentals, and Charwomen, New		
Government Offices	800	
Cleaning and Maintaining Closets and Urinals at Government Buildings,		
Melbourne and Suburbs	1,400	
Expenses of the Municipal Surveyors' Board, including Allowance for		
Secretary, £25 per annum, and to three Examiners, not to exceed		
£40 each per annum (total expenditure not to exceed the amount of		
fees received)	150	
	6,900	
Total Division No. 63	30,732	
The sum of ... ..	...	22,975

DIVISION No. 64.

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 1. Annual Allowances, Compensations, and Gratuities — <i>(Inalterable):—</i>			
J. Anderson	£46	12	3
J. Walker	124	16	0
J. W. Crawley	230	0	0
	£401	8	3
			402
2. To defray accounts rendered by the Railway Department for			
passes issued to the Unemployed			800
3. Proportion of cost of registration of the Unemployed by the			
Railway Department			350
Total Division No. 64	1,552		
The sum of ... ..	...		1,119

DIVISION No. 65.

WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

Subdivision No. 1.

WHARFS, JETTIES, HARBORS, RIVERS, ETC.—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Dredging Operations, Snagging, and other Harbor and River Improvements in the Colony and on the River Murray outside the jurisdiction of the Melbourne Harbor Trust, including Pay for Temporary Employés, Repairs to and Stores for Steam Dredges and other Plant, the Landing and Spreading of Silt, also Surveys and Borings, &c.	15,600
2. Harbor Works, Port Fairy	1,000
3. Repairs and Additions to Jetties, Sheds, Approaches, &c., Geelong	1,500
4. Repairs and Additions to Wharfs, Sheds, Jetties, and Approaches throughout the Colony	2,000
5. Harbor Works, Warrnambool	1,000
6. Harbor Works, Portland, including Repairs to Jetty	1,000
7. Towards Jetty at Marlo, Snowy River	150
8. Towards constructing Fishermen's Jetty, Toora	300
9. Towards extension of St. Kilda Pier—St. Kilda Council to repay one-half of the amount	100
10. Towards Jetty accommodation at Kennet River	150
11. Towards Jetty accommodation at Wye River	125
12. Towards extension of Wharf, Apollo Bay, and renewing rails	350
13. Towards Repairs to Jetty, Cowes	180
14. Repairs to Hutton's Wharf, Geelong	62
15. Repairs to Wharf at Batten's Landing, Tambo River	100
16. Approach to and Shed for Lower Wharf, Bairnsdale	130
17. Repairs to Jetty, Portsea	300
18. Towards extension of Sale Canal to Thomson River, including purchase of land	3,000
19. To provide Wharf Cranes	400
20. Additions, Alterations, and Repairs to Pier, Portarlington	500
21. Repairs to Dock Pier, Williamstown	300
22. Sand Fence and Boat Landing, Mordialloc Creek	150
23. Repairs to Jetty, Bass	50
24. Widening Lower Wharf and supplying Crane, Bairnsdale	200
25. Extension of Wharf, Mossiface	200
26. Overhauling, preparing, and increasing Lifting Power of 50-ton Crane, Melbourne	2,000
27. Extension of Eastern Wharf, Cunninghame	400

31,247

Subdivision No. 2.

POLICE BUILDINGS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Police Buildings and Works for Police, including Transport, Land, Furniture, Repairs, and Additions	6,000
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Subdivision No. 3.

GAOLS AND PENAL ESTABLISHMENTS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Buildings, Repairs, and other Works for Gaols, Penal Buildings, Hulks, &c., including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing	5,000
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	£	£
DIVISION No. 65.		
Subdivision No. 4.		
LUNATIC ASYLUMS.		
No. 1. Repairs and other Works at Lunatic Asylums throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing ...	12,500	
Subdivision No. 5.		
REFORMATORIES AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Repairs and Additions to Buildings and other Works for Department of Industrial and Reformatory Schools, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing	500	
Subdivision No. 6.		
COURT HOUSES—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Erection of Court Houses for the holding of Courts of Assize, General and Petty Sessions, County Courts and Courts of Mines, Morgues, and for Sheriffs' and Keepers' Quarters, including Repairs and Additions, Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing	2,500	
2. Alterations, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c., New Law Courts, Melbourne	500	
	3,000	
Subdivision No. 7.		
LIGHT-HOUSES AND LIGHT-SHIPS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Repairs, Additions, and other Works for Light-houses, Keepers' Quarters, Light-ships, including Fittings, Furniture, Roads, and Fencing (exclusive of Wilson's Promontory, Gabo Island, Kent's Group, Swan Island, Goose Island, and Eddystone Point), also Erection and Renewal of and Repairs to Jetty and Channel Lamps	1,250	
2. Moving Signal Station, Port Albert, from Snake Island to Sunday Island	500	
	1,750	
Subdivision No. 8.		
POWDER MAGAZINES, ETC.		
No. 1. Erection of and Repairs and Additions to Powder Magazines, Buildings for Storage of Explosive Compounds, and Keepers' Quarters throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, Fencing, &c.	300	
Subdivision No. 9.		
LANDS AND SURVEY.		
No. 1. Buildings and Repairs and Additions to Buildings under the Department of Lands and Survey, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing, and Works in Botanical Gardens and Government House Domain, also Cottages for Foresters in State Forests, and Repairs and Additions to Buildings at State Nurseries, including Fencing	2,000	
2. Extension of original Plan Room, Lands Department, Melbourne, including Fittings	2,000	
	4,000	
Subdivision No. 10.		
TREASURY BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Buildings, Repairs, Additions, &c., at Receipt and Pay Offices throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing	100	

DIVISION No. 65.

Subdivision No. 11.

SUNDRY WORKS, MELBOURNE—(*Inalterable*).

	£	£
No. 1. Additions and Repairs, &c., at Parliament Buildings, including Fittings, Furniture, Ventilating, Fencing, Electric Lighting Fittings, and maintenance and cost of working during the Session	2,000	
2. Repairs, Additions, Fittings, and Furniture, &c., for Government Printing Office	250	
3. Repairs and Additions to Observatory and Quarters, including Fittings, Furniture, and Fencing, Drives, and footpaths ...	250	
4. Additions, Repairs, Furniture, Fittings, Labour, &c., at Government House and Grounds, and at Cottage, Macedon...	5,000	
5. Towards Completion of the Pumping, Storage, and Reticulation Works for supplying Water to Botanical Gardens, and for Mains for future extension from the River Yarra near Dight's Falls, and for the Maintenance and Working Expenses in connexion therewith	1,500	
6. Heating Apparatus, New Water-pipes, Painting and Repairs, at the Titles Offices	1,500	
7. Alterations and other Works, Laboratory Buildings	1,000	
	11,500	

Subdivision No. 12.

POST AND TELEGRAPH STATIONS—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Additions, Alterations, and Repairs, General Post Office, Melbourne Branches, Stables, and Telephone Exchange, including Fittings and Furniture	1,600	
2. Erection of, Alterations, Repairs and Additions to Post and Telegraph Offices at other places throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Lands, and Fencing ...	3,900	
	5,500	

Subdivision No. 13.

FENCES AND REPAIRS TO FENCES, ETC.—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Fencing Public Buildings, Sites, and Reserves under control of Government, including Repairs, &c.	200	
2. Fencing Police Paddocks and Buildings, including Repairs ...	300	
	500	

Subdivision No. 14.

RENTS AND FURNITURE, ETC.—(*Inalterable*).

No. 1. Rent of Public Buildings, Offices, and Land for the use of the Government, and Allowances for Rent in lieu of quarters ...	14,100	
2. Furniture and Fittings for Public Offices and Buildings, including Repairs and Transport	2,000	
	16,100	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 65.		
Subdivision No. 15.		
CUSTOMS, ETC., BUILDINGS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Repairs, Painting, Alterations, Fittings, Furniture, &c., Customs Houses and Sheds, Melbourne and Williamstown	500	
2. Buildings, Repairs, Additions, &c., to Customs, &c., Buildings throughout the Colony, including Fittings, Furniture, Land, and Fencing	400	
3. Repairs to Coastal Barometers	100	
	1,000	
Subdivision No. 16.		
STATE SCHOOL BUILDINGS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Erection, Maintenance, and Removal of State School Buildings, including Furniture, Fittings, Lands, Requisites, &c.; also Furnishing and Maintenance of Training College and Grounds		25,000
Subdivision No. 17.		
MISCELLANEOUS—(Inalterable).		
No. 1. Repairs and Additions to Public Works and Buildings, including laying on Gas and Water		2,000
2. To provide Telegraphic and Telephonic Communication for Police and other Government Buildings, including Maintenance by Post and Telegraph Department		300
3. Repairs and other Works at Quarantine Station, Point Nepean, and Calf Lymph Dépôt, Royal Park		1,000
4. Insurance of sundry Government Buildings and Contents		900
5. Conveyance of Silt, &c., and spreading same, to raise and drain low lands		500
6. Other Public Works		3,000
7. New Stable, Additions to House, and other works for Horticultural Expert at the Horticultural Society's Gardens, Burnley		250
8. Maintenance of Grounds, Governor's Residence, Macedon		310
9. Towards New Fence for Dockyard, Williamstown, and Repairs and Renewals, Permanent Crane Way		140
10. To assist various Municipalities in planting Grass to prevent encroachment of sand		1,000
11. Towards Cleansing Elwood Canal		500
12. Towards removal and re-erection of Stone Wall at Lower Esplanade, St. Kilda, and raising reclaimed area (St. Kilda Council to repay one-half of the amount)		160
13. To provide Latrines		1,500
14. Repairs to Cottage and Buildings, Cut-paw-paw Sanatorium		100
15. Forming Roadway, Drainage, Fencing, and Electric Lighting at Alfred Graving Dock		1,500
16. Borung Shire—To assist in executing Drainage Works at Warracknabeal		300
17. Ballarat City—To further assist in improving Gnarr Creek, Council to expend £550 additional		550
18. Castlemaine Borough—To assist in building Retaining Wall at Forest Creek, Council to expend £250 additional		250
19. Chewton Borough—To assist in completing Retaining Wall at Forest Creek, Council to expend £100 additional		100
20. Geelong West Borough—To assist in completing the Storm-water channel, Council to expend £250 additional... ..		250

	£	£
DIVISION No. 65.		
No. 21. Heidelberg Shire—To assist in constructing Drainage Works from Austin Hospital	750	
22. Maryborough Borough—To assist in constructing Main Drain, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
23. South Melbourne City—To assist in continuing the construction of the Sea-wall at Beaconsfield-parade, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
24. Talbot Borough—To assist in completing the Main Drain, Council to expend £100 additional	100	
25. Warrnambool Town—To assist in executing Drainage Works, Council to expend £2,900 additional	2,900	
26. Wodonga Shire—To assist in diverting Creek to prevent destruction of Wodonga-road, Council to expend £75 additional	7	
	18,835	
Total Division No. 65	142,832	
The sum of	105,962
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DIVISION No. 66.		
DEFENCE WORKS AND BUILDINGS.		
No. 1. Maintenance and Inspection of Forts, Batteries, &c., providing other necessary Works for Defence purposes; also for Naval and Military Buildings and Vessels, &c., including Additions, Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c.	12,000	
2. Further works in connexion with the Defences at King George's Sound, the total estimated cost being paid by the Colonies conjointly	977	
Total Division No. 66	12,977	
The sum of	9,377
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DIVISION No. 67.		
ROAD WORKS AND BRIDGES.		
No. 1. Avoca Shire—To assist in re-erecting Bridge over the Avoca River on the St. Arnaud Main Road, Council to expend £175 additional	175	
2. Avoca and Talbot Shires—To assist in repairing Bridge over the Bet Bet River at Bung Bong, Councils to expend £450 additional	225	
3. Barrabool and South Barwon Shires—To assist in repairing the Colac-road, Councils to expend £250 additional	250	
4. Buninyong Shire—To assist in repairing the Navigators-road, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
5. Braybrook, Melton, and Wyndham Shires—To assist in repairing the Exford Bridge, Councils to expend £420 additional... ..	140	
6. Buninyong Shire—To assist in constructing Yarrowee Channel at Winter's Flat, Council to expend £100 additional	100	
7. Bet Bet Shire—To assist in constructing Road leading to Burnt Creek Mine, Council to expend £75 additional	75	

	£	£
DIVISION No. 67.		
No. 8. Berwick Shire—To assist in constructing Roads in the Koo-wee-rup Swamp	400	
9. Berwick Shire—To assist in making Roads leading to Railway Stations, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
10. Benalla Shire—To assist in constructing Road from Cashel to Agricultural College at Dookie, Council to expend £50 additional	50	
11. Coburg Shire—To assist in maintaining Roads leading to Pentridge Stockade	250	
12. Clunes Borough—To assist in repairing Criterion Bridge over Creswick Creek, Council to expend £125 additional	125	
13. Creswick Borough—To assist in raising Davis' Bridge, Council to expend £150 additional	150	
14. Creswick Shire—To further assist in constructing Wheeler's Bridge, Council to expend £500 additional	500	
15. Donald Shire—To further assist in erecting Bridge over the Richardson River, Council to expend £400 additional	400	
16. Dandenong Shire—To assist in constructing Wells-road, Council to expend £350 additional	350	
17. Daylesford Borough—To assist in re-erecting Bridge over the Wombat Creek, Council to expend £600 additional	600	
18. Deakin Shire—To assist in erecting McCoy's Bridge over the Goulburn River	1,000	
19. Eltham Shire—To assist in constructing Road from Healesville to Mount St. Leonard	250	
20. Euroa and Rodney Shires—To assist in repairing the Mooroopna Bridge, Councils to expend £200 additional	100	
21. Euroa and Rodney Shires—To assist in erecting the Toolamba Bridge	1,500	
22. Ferntree Gully Shire—To assist in constructing Two (2) Main Roads leading to Railway Stations on the Gembrook line, Council to expend £500 additional	500	
23. Glenlyon Shire—To further assist in erecting Bridge over the Loddon River at Glenlyon, Council to expend £107 additional	107	
24. Grenville Shire—To assist in improving Main Road from Cape Clear to Hollybush leading to Pitfield Mines, Council to expend £500 additional	1,500	
25. Heytesbury Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over the Gellibrand River, Council to expend £120 additional	120	
26. Healesville Shire—To assist in repairing Bridges, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
27. Kerang Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over the Gunbower Creek, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
28. Korong Shire—To assist in constructing Roads leading to Kurting Railway Station, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
29. Kyneton Shire—To assist in repairing Newbury-road, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
30. Meredith Shire—To assist in improving approach to Moorabool River Bridge, Council to expend £150 additional	150	
31. Maffra Shire—To further assist in executing Works at Freestone Creek Bridge, Council to expend £280 additional	280	
32. Moorabbin Shire—To assist in repairing Beach and Point Nepean-road, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
33. Mount Franklin Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over the Jim Crow Creek, Council to expend £1,000 additional	1,000	
34. Maldon Shire—To assist in repairing Road to Broadford and Woodstock, Council to expend £100 additional	100	
35. Melbourne Harbor Trust—To assist in constructing Road leading to the Victoria Dock, Harbor Trust and Melbourne City Council to expend £600 additional	300	
36. Malmesbury Borough—To assist in erecting Bridge over the Coliban River on Mount Alexander-road, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
37. Mount Alexander Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over Loddon River at Vaughan, Council to expend £500 additional	500	
38. Newstead Shire—To further assist in repairing Newstead to Creswick Main Road, Council to expend £112 additional	112	
39. Numurkah Shire—To assist in making Roads from State Forest to Railway Station, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
40. Pyalong Shire—To assist in constructing Four (4) Bridges near Emu Flat, Council to expend £200 additional	200	

DIVISION No. 67.		£	£
No. 41.	Portland Shire—To assist in constructing roads to Condah Swamp, Council to expend £300 additional	300	
42.	Phillip Island and Woolamai Shire—To assist in repairing and re-erecting Bridges, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
43.	Queenscliff Borough—To assist in maintaining Roads leading to Forts, Council to expend £100 additional	100	
44.	Ripon Shire—To assist in improving Track to Mount Cole State Forest, Council to expend £25 additional	25	
45.	Rosedale Shire—To further assist in erecting Bridge over Latrobe River at Rosedale, Council to expend £543 additional	543	
46.	Sebastopol Borough—To assist in metalling Main Road to Pitfield Mines, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
47.	Seymour Shire—To assist in repairing Roads and Bridges, Council to expend £250 additional	250	
48.	Tambo Shire—To assist in repairing road from Bairnsdale to Cunninghame, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
49.	Tambo Shire—To assist in improving the Tambo Valley-road	500	
50.	Talbot Shire—To assist in clearing and draining portion of Amherst and Avoca road, Council to expend £100 additional	100	
51.	Templestowe Shire—To assist in constructing road from Warrandyte to Ringwood Railway Station	250	
52.	Tungamah Shire—To assist in maintaining Road from Yarraweayah to Tocumwal	200	
53.	Tullaroop Shire—To assist in strengthening Roads leading from Railway Station to Mines at Charlotte Plains, Council to expend £300 additional	300	
54.	Violet Town Shire—To assist in executing Works on Boho and Harry's Creek roads, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
55.	Warrnambool Shire—To assist in providing new superstructure to Dennington Bridge on Warrnambool and Koroit-road, Council to expend £400 additional	400	
56.	Whittlesea Shire—To assist in erecting Bridge over Barber's Creek, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
57.	Whittlesea Shire—To assist in making roads to Bruce's Creek Settlement	500	
58.	Wodonga Shire—To assist in maintaining the Alburyto Wodonga Road	400	
59.	Walhalla Shire—To assist in executing Works on Toongabbie-road, Council to expend £125 additional	125	
60.	Warragul Shire—To assist in re-erecting Bridges, Council to expend £200 additional	200	
61.	Yea Shire—To assist in repairing Bridges and Culverts, Council to expend £500 additional	500	
62.	To assist in repairing damages to Roads and Bridges caused by floods	5,000	
63.	To assist in repairing damages to Roads and Bridges caused by bush fires	2,000	
64.	To assist in clearing and constructing Roads in various localities	1,000	
65.	To assist in clearing, making, and draining Roads to Village Settlements	1,500	
66.	To assist in maintaining Road from Murray River Bridge to Railway Station at Yarrawonga	200	
67.	Moiety of Cost of repairing and maintaining Murray River Bridges	350	
Total Division No. 67		29,302	
The sum of ... ..		...	27,802

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

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33	4 f	Operators at from £216 to £300 per annum ...		7,512																											
180	5	Operators at from £40 to £200 per annum (including provision for payment of an allowance of £18 per annum each to four and £16 per annum each to three) ...		34,775																											
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4		Mail Officers at from £18 10s. to £25 per month ...		£ 25	} 74,444																										
90		Sorters at from £11 10s. per month to 75s. per week ...		17/10																											
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457		Letter-carriers and Stampers at from £6 per month to 57s. per week ...		11	} 33,115																										
20		Assistant Operators at £100 per annum ...																													
1		Senior Messenger at £72 per annum ...		11																											
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350		Telegraph Messengers at from £2 to £5 per month ...		5																											
1		Inspector Telegraph Works at £19 10s. per month ...		25																											
3		Overseers of Telegraph Works at £21 per month ...		21																											
27		Line Repairers at from £9 10s. per month to 60s. per week ...		13	} 1,032																										
66		Line Repairers' Assistants at from £7 to £10 per month ...		10																											
1		Foreman Carpenter at £14 per month ...		14																											
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NOTE.—Postmasters and Postmistresses are allowed quarters.

* Twenty-six to be paid at the rate of £80 per annum.

† One to be paid at the rate of £100 per annum and two at the rate of £90 per annum.

‡ Two to be paid at the rate of £100 per annum.

§ Two to be paid at the rate of £94 per annum.

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DIVISION No. 74.																			
1	Battery Room Foreman at 60s. per week ...	13		8,759															
10	Battery Room Assistants at from £6 per month to 54s. per week ...	10																	
1	Electrical Foreman and Instrument Fitter ...	34																	
56	Instrument Fitter, Instrument Fitters' Assistants, Instrument Fitters' Senior Assistants, and Instrument Fitters' Junior Assistants, at from £6 to £20 10s. per month ...	20/10																	
1	Instrument Fitters' Labourer at from £74 to £104 per annum ...	8/13/4																	
2	Cable Jointers at £14 per month ...	14																	
1	Chief Storeman and Foreman Maintenance Staff at £20 per month ...	22																	
7	Saddlers and Sailmakers at from £9 to £13 per month ...	13																	
7	Storeman and Packers at from £9 per month to 54s. per week ...	11/10																	
77	Porters and Pillar Clearers at from £6 per month to 54s. per week ...	11			16,184														
28	Mail Drivers at from £6 per month to 54s. per week ...	10/10																	
2	Female Stamp Embossers at £80 per annum	6/13/4																	
1	Caretaker, General Post Office, at £19 per month ...	19																	
3	Night Watchmen at from £10 to £15 per month ...	15																	
1	Gatekeeper ...	9																	
4	Painters at £12 per month ...	12																	
1	Plumber and Gasfitter at £9 per month ...	14																	
3	Labourers at from £6 10s. to £10 per month ...	10																	
3	Engine-drivers at £15 per month ...	15																	
3	Firemen at £10 per month ...	10		9,371															
124	Telephone Switch-board Attendants at from £4 to £6 10s. per month ...	6/10																	
1	Typewriter at £4 10s. per month ...	6/10																	
1	French-polisher ...	13																	
1	Stamp Printer and Impresser at £14 per month ...	14																	
1	Stamp Impresser and Machineman at £17 per month ...	17																	
2	Boatmen at 56s. per week ...	12																	
To pay Letter-carriers appointed under old Post Office Regulations the following rates on their promotion as Sorters :—																			
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170	Sorters at from £11 10s. to £14 10s. per month			29,142															
1874				184,347															
Subdivision No. 5.																			
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)																			
8	Telephone Switch-board Attendants at from £6 10s. per month to £100 per annum ...			646															
3	Instrument Fitters ...			359															
11				1,005															
2527	Total SALARIES ...			300,920															

DIVISION No. 74.

Subdivision No. 6.

CONTINGENCIES.

	£	£
Allowances to Country Postmasters, including Commission for conducting Telegraph business; also payments to Victorian Railway Department for performance of Postal Duties	32,000	
Overtime to Officers and others when unavoidably employed at night under special circumstances	300	
Police Constables' Allowances	160	
Temporary Assistance, and to provide for the absence of Officers through sickness and when on leave	4,000	
Special Allowances to Postmasters—Mildura, at £40; Omeo, at £20; Walhalla, at £20	80	
Contributions towards the Maintenance of Telegraph Stations at Gabo Island and Flinders	545	
Purchase, Mire, and Forage of Horses in connexion with Maintenance of Lines	2,500	
Telegraph Instruments, Battery Materials, Tools, &c.	3,000	
Clothing for Railway Mail Sorters, Letter-carriers, Telegraph Messengers, &c.	2,000	
Stores, Stationery, Mail Bags, Ironmongery, Safes, Seals, and Stamps, &c.	8,000	
Travelling Expenses (including payment to the Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company for Carriage of Letter Carriers and Telegraph Messengers, and to Victorian Railways for Payment of Railway Fares for Officers whilst travelling on duty)	7,000	
Fuel, Light, and Water	5,000	
Charwomen, and cleaning at Country Stations	2,750	
Carriage of Stores, Insurance Premiums on extra guarantees, Incidentals, &c.	2,000	
	69,335	
Total Division No. 74	370,255	
The sum of		276,235

DIVISION No. 75.

TELEGRAPH LINES.

No. 1. Extensions, Repairs, and Alterations, Renewing Poles, Transferring Lines to routes of New Railways, including Wire, Insulators, Fittings, &c.; for Telegraph Poles and Telegraph Materials for stock; also Maintenance of Telephone Lines for various Departments and Renewing and Repainting Poles ...	9,000	
2. Telephone Exchanges, Telephones, Battery Materials, Cables, Wire, Poles, &c.	20,280	
3. To proportion of Subsidy payable by Victoria towards the construction and maintenance of the Tasmanian Submarine Cable	1,505	
Total Division No. 75	30,785	
The sum of		20,280

DIVISION No. 76.

MAIL SERVICE.

No. 1. Conveyance of Inland Mails—

Government Railways	...	...	...	58,810
Contractors, Special Conveyance of Mails, Purchase and Forage of Horses for Clearance of Letter Pillars, and Conveyance of Mails to Railway Stations, &c.	39,600

Total Division No. 76	98,410
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The sum of	73,510
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DIVISION No. 77.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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

Annual Allowance to J. Legon	...	...	£70	10	5
S. Bastard	...	...	52	7	7
J. Macfarlane	...	...	25	7	0
Elizabeth J. Stewart (née Bowie)	...	...	21	3	10
Ellen Reilly (née Campion)	...	...	22	0	0
To Benjamin Greening	...	£133	0	6	
Less paid from Special Appropriations	93	2	4		
			39	18	2
			£231	7	0

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To Porter John Bourke, £50 (in addition to pension of £32 17s. 3d.), on retirement from the service, in consideration of special services rendered in the establishment of the first overland Mail Service to Sydney

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Total Division No. 77	282
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The sum of	213
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And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

19. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 17, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 43.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. CASE OF J. HALL.—Mr. Maloney, Chairman, brought up the Report from the Select Committee upon the case of J. Hall; together with the Appendices, Proceedings of the Committee, and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

3. PAPER.—Mr. McColl presented—

Land Act 1898.—Part III.—Acquisition of Land for the purpose of Family Settlement and Workmen's Homes.—Copy of Agreements made by the Minister of Lands on behalf of the Board of Land and Works for the Purchase of certain Lands at Brunswick for the purpose of Family Settlement and Workmen's Homes; together with a Statement giving the particulars prescribed by Section 155 of the *Land Act* 1898 in respect of the Land included in the said Agreements.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Mayor Aldermen Councillors and Citizens of the City of Melbourne to raise a further sum or sums of money not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five thousand pounds*" without amendment.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the extension of the Northcote Tramway*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

Clause 13, line 31, after "any" insert "delegation or."

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

7. LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES LAW AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments of the Legislative Assembly in this Bill disagreed with by the Legislative Council or agreed to with amendments having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments of the Assembly.

How dealt with by the Council.

1. Clause 3, sub-section (3), omit this sub-section and insert the following :—

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in his will or any codicil thereto on the death of any person the property and interest of such person in any policy or policies of assurance of his life maturing at his death shall not be assets for the payment of his debts except those (if any) for the payment of which he shall in such will or codicil declare an intention to make such property and interest assets by words expressly referring to such policy or policies and expressly negating the provisions of this section ; but if he dies within four years after the date of any policy a portion of the sum paid under such policy equal to the amount of premiums actually paid in respect of so much of the sum assured as exceeds One thousand pounds shall be assets for the payment of his debts.

Disagreed with by the Council.

2. Clause 14, line 36, omit all the words after “(2)” and insert the following :—

“In every winding up, whether voluntary or compulsory, which shall be commenced after the passing of this Act every creditor shall be entitled to be paid interest after the rate of Four pounds per centum from the date of the order to wind up the company out of any assets available for distribution amongst the creditors generally which may remain after satisfying the costs of the winding up and the debts and claims established : Provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the right of any secured creditor to realize out of his security interest due to him since the liquidation as well as before the same, but so that he shall only be entitled to be paid out of such general assets by way of interest subsequent to liquidation the difference if any between the amount thus realized and the amount of the interest at Four per centum as aforesaid.”

Amendment to omit all the words after “(2)” disagreed with by the Council ; amendment to insert words agreed to with the following amendments :—Line 1, before “In” insert “Provided however that” ; line 3, after “this” insert “amending” ; line 5, after “centum” insert “per annum” ; line 10, omit “Provided that” ; line 19, after “centum” insert “per annum.”

3. After clause 16 insert the following new clause :—

A. Notwithstanding anything contained in section three hundred and forty-seven of the *Companies Act 1890* a company which in respect of any year complies with the provisions of section twenty-four of the *Companies Act 1896* requiring a shareholders' balance-sheet to be prepared and audited and a copy thereof to be sent to every member of such company shall not be required to prepare for such year a balance-sheet in the form in the Nineteenth Schedule to the *Companies Act 1890*.

Agreed to by the Council with the following amendments :—Lines 3–4, omit “respect of any year complies” and insert “complying” ; line 9, after “company” insert “substitutes (which it is hereby authorized to do) for the paragraph (2) of Form B of the Third Schedule to the *Companies Act 1896*, a balance-sheet in the form contained in the Seventeenth Schedule to the *Companies Act 1890* if such company transacts life assurance business only, or in the Nineteenth Schedule to the said Act if such company concurrently with the transaction of life assurance business transacts any other kind of assurance or other business” ; line 10, after “a” insert “separate” ; line 11, before “Nineteenth” insert “said Seventeenth or.”

And, after debate—

Amendment in clause 3 insisted on, but the following consequential amendment made :—

Line 5, after “ maturing ” insert “ only.”

Amendment in clause 14 disagreed with by the Legislative Council, not insisted on by the Assembly ; and amendments of the Legislative Council on the Legislative Assembly’s amendment to insert certain words in the said clause agreed to.

Amendments of the Legislative Council in new clause A agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council on the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said Bill, and that they insist on the amendment disagreed with by the Legislative Council in clause 3, but have made a consequential amendment in it, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section twenty-seven of the ‘ Weights and Measures Act 1890 ’* ” without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

9. WINE ADULTERATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

11. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 1, line 6, after “ Parts ” insert “ III.”
2. Clause 2, omit this clause.
3. Clause 3, line 12, after “ practicable ” insert “ after the seat of any member of the Legislative Council becomes vacant or.”
4. ” line 17, before “ district ” insert “ province or.”
5. ” line 18, omit “ of the Legislative Assembly.”
6. Clause 4, lines 5–6, omit “ the Legislative Assembly for any electoral ” and insert “ any province or.”
7. ” line 7, omit “ being a male elector ” and insert “ appears from the rolls to reside in such province or district as the case may be, and.”
8. ” lines 8–9, omit “ resides at least five miles from the nearest polling booth at which he is entitled to vote ” and insert “ does not reside in any city town or borough.”
9. ” line 15, before “ district ” insert “ province or.”
10. ” lines 16–17, omit “ for the district within which he appears from the then existing rolls to reside.”
11. Clause 6, line 26, omit “ for any electoral district.”
12. ” line 28, before “ district ” insert “ province or.”
13. Clause 8, line 4, omit “ Acts ” and insert “ Act 1890.”
14. ” line 8, omit “ Assembly ” and insert “ Council or Assembly (as the case may be).”
15. Clause 9, line 14, omit “ district ” and insert “ province or district to which such postal ballot-paper relates.”
16. ” line 18, after “ every ” insert “ such.”
17. ” line 18, omit “ for the division.”
18. ” line 21, omit “ advise ” and insert “ notify such issue to.”
19. ” lines 21–2, omit “ in the division of such issue ” and insert “ for such province or district at which a roll is to be used on which such applicant’s name appears.”
20. Clause 10, line 24, before “ district ” insert “ province or.”
21. ” line 25, before “ district ” insert “ province or.”
22. ” line 30, after “ name ” insert “ or names.”
23. ” line 33, after “ name ” insert “ to the declaration.”
24. ” line 42, before “ districts ” insert “ provinces or.”

25. Clause 10, page 4, line 4, after "officer" insert "If any postmaster or officer contravenes or does not comply with the provisions of this sub-section he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding One hundred pounds."
26. After clause 10 insert the following new clause :—
- A. Where any elector who has received a postal ballot-paper is blind or unable to write and signifies the fact to the postmaster or officer such postmaster or officer may and at the request of such elector shall for him in the presence of a witness (if so desired by such elector) write on the ballot-paper the name or names of the candidate or candidates whom such elector may designate and shall read over to the elector the declaration on the counterfoil and indicate to such elector the place for his signature to such declaration or, if such elector be a ratepayer and unable to write, his mark and if desired shall enclose the ballot-paper in the envelope provided.
27. Clause 12, line 18, after "sent" insert "states that he has not received such postal ballot-paper and."
28. " line 18, after "booth" insert "within the province or district to which such postal ballot-paper relates."
29. " line 19, after "deputy" insert "returning officer."
30. Clause 13, line 33, omit "thereat" and insert "at any election for any province or district."
31. " line 34, omit "questions A and B" and insert "question."
32. " line 37, after "election" insert "for the Legislative Council or Assembly (as the case may be)."
33. " lines 37-40, omit "and B. Have you already posted to any returning officer of any electoral district a postal ballot-paper for any election to-day?"
34. " line 41, omit "each" and insert "the."
35. " page 5, lines 1-2, omit "questions are" and insert "question is."
36. " same page, line 3, omit "question A" and insert "the question."
37. " same page, lines 4-5, omit "or if he does not answer question B absolutely in the negative."
38. " same page, line 10, before "such" omit "any."
39. Clause 14, page 6, line 7, omit "Assembly" and insert "Council or Assembly (as the case may be)."
40. " same page, line 10, omit "Assembly" and insert "Council or Assembly (as the case may be)."
41. Clause 15, line 14, omit "Assembly" and insert "Council or Assembly (as the case may be)."
42. Clause 16, line 23, omit "three" and insert "five."
43. " line 23, after "days" insert "exclusive of Sunday."
44. Clause 21, before "district" wherever occurring insert "province or."
45. Clause 22, omit this clause.
46. Clause 23, lines 32-4, omit "for the purpose of prescribing the mode in which returning officers may appoint officers for the purposes of this Act, and."
47. Clause 24, line 38, after "years" insert "from the commencement of this Act and thence until the end of the next ensuing session of Parliament and no longer."
48. In Schedules, omit wherever occurring "district" and "Assembly" and leave a blank in each case.
49. Second Schedule, omit where first occurring "(c) { No. of application
General Roll No."
50. " below "Counterfoil" insert "ELECTORAL OF [OVENS] [MYRTLE CREEK] DIVISION" and omit these words before the Declaration.
51. " In the Declaration print in italics "and that I have resided for at least six months out of the last twelve months in Victoria" and add marginal note "(d) The words in italics may be omitted if the applicant claims to vote as a ratepayer."

And, after debate—

Amendments 1 to 7 agreed to.

Amendment 8 disagreed with.

Amendments 9 to 25 agreed to.

Amendment 26 agreed to with the following amendments :—

Lines 1 and 2, omit "or unable to write."

Line 8, omit "or, if such elector be a ratepayer and unable to write, his mark."

Amendments 27 to 44 agreed to.

Amendment 45 disagreed with.

Amendment 46 agreed to.

Amendment 47 agreed to, and the following consequential amendment made in clause 24 :—

Line 1, after "shall" insert "come into operation on the first day of December One thousand nine hundred."

Amendments 48 to 51 agreed to.

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

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1900.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.

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

14. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1900-1901.—Mr. Beazley reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900-1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XI.—MINISTER OF MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.

				£	£
		DIVISION NO. 78.			
		MINES AND WATER SUPPLY.			
		SALARIES.			
		Subdivision No. 1.			
		FIRST DIVISION.			
1	3	Acting Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ...		450	
		Allowance to Mr. James Travis for acting as Secretary for Mines and Water Supply ...		300	
				750	
		Subdivision No. 2.			
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.			
			Maxi- mum.		
			£		
1	A. & E.	Chief Engineer	1200	1,200	
1		Metallurgist	800	800	
1	S. & L.	Government Geologist	750	500	
1	A. & E.	Engineer	500	360	
2		Assistant Engineers	360	620	
4		Inspectors of Mines	350	1,400	
7		Inspectors of Mines	300	1,540	
7		Junior Draughtsmen	200	1,400	
1	f	Junior Draughtsman	200	192	
1	Sc.	Analyst	250	250	
				8,262	
26		Subdivision No. 3.			
		CLERICAL DIVISION.			
1	2	Chief Clerk		420	
		Allowance to Mr. P. Cohen for acting as Chief Clerk		60	
1	3	Accountant		360	
1	3	Clerk and Draughtsman		450	
12	4	Clerks and Draughtsmen		3,900	
2	4 f	2nd Grade Draughtsmen		540	
1	4	Lithographer		350	
48	5	Clerks and Draughtsmen		9,232	
				15,312	
66		Subdivision No. 4.			
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.			
			Maxi- mum.		
			£		
2		Rate Collectors, Bendigo	252	430	
1		Rate Collector, Geelong	208	186	
1		Reservoir Keeper, Malmsbury	168	135	
2		Water Bailiffs and Channel Keepers, Bendigo	144	252	
2		Water Bailiffs, Kow Swamp	144	276	
1		Turncock, Geelong	156	157	
1		Bailiff	180	170	
1		Senior Messenger	132	132	
2		Junior Messengers	72	144	
1		Type-writer	132	90	
				1,972	
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Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION NO. 78.		
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
8	Mining Surveyors and Mining Registrars ...		200	
31	Mining Registrars		700	
20	Wardens' Clerks		360	
6	Clerks to Mining Boards		544	
4	Keepers of Mining Board Offices		64	
1	Draughtsman		200	
2	Inspectors of Dredging		600	
1	Temporary Assistant Engineer		300	
1	Temporary Inspector of Waterworks		264	
74			3,232	
181		Total SALARIES	29,528	
		Subdivision No. 6.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
	Expenses of Prosecutions under the Mines and Water Acts		25	
	Special Allowances to Mining Surveyors for reporting on Lands, &c. ...		150	
	Expenses of Mining Board Elections and Miscellaneous Expenses of Mining Boards		200	
	Travelling Expenses, including those of Officers reporting on Leased Lands, Dredging Operations, &c.		2,750	
	Stores, Books, Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals		1,100	
	Printing Reports, Stationery, &c.		750	
	Expenses of Laboratory		1,500	
	Temporary Draughtsmen and Clerks		810	
	Drawing Leases on Plans		240	
			7,525	
		Total Division No. 78	37,053	
		The sum of ... ..	...	27,440
		DIVISION NO. 79.		
		PROSPECTING FOR GOLD AND COAL.		
	Prospecting for Gold and Coal, purchase and working of Diamond or other Drills and of appliances used for boring, materials and expenses connected therewith, and expenses in connexion with the working of Testing Plants		2,300	
		The sum of ... ..	...	1,600
		DIVISION NO. 80.		
		WATERWORKS IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS.		
	Surveys, Reports, and Contingencies in connexion with Projects of Water Supply to Country Districts, Expenses in connexion with Gauging Rivers, and Analyses of Waters		2,000	
		The sum of ... ..	...	1,430

	£	£
DIVISION No. 81.		
COLIBAN, GEELONG, AND NATIONAL WORKS.		
Subdivision No. 1.		
COLIBAN AND GEELONG WORKS.		
Travelling and Incidental Expenses in connexion with the Collection of Rates—		
Coliban District	250	
Geelong District	100	
Labour and Materials, Stores, Forage, Travelling Expenses, and Contingencies in connexion with—		
Coliban Works	7,500	
Geelong Works	2,600	
	10,450	
Subdivision No. 2.		
NATIONAL WORKS.		
Material, Wages, Contingencies, and all other Expenses in connexion with the Management and Maintenance of—		
Goulburn System of National Works	2,250	
Laanecoorie Weir and Distribution of Water	300	
Bridgewater and Kinypaniel Weirs, &c.	200	
Kow Swamp and Macorna National Works	1,650	
Broken River Works	570	
Lake Lonsdale Reservoir and Sea Lake Channel	700	
	5,670	
Total Division No. 81	16,120	
The sum of ... ..	...	9,920
DIVISION No. 82.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. Underground Surveys of Mines, Geological Surveys, &c. ...	6,000	
2. Expenses of Mining Surveyors removing Posts from Leases declared void, and Reports on Leases, &c. ...	50	
3. Travelling and other Expenses attending Examinations of Engine-drivers	700	
4. To provide for Railway Passes for Trustees of Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund	15	
5. For the purchase of Miners' Rights and Railway Passes for Unemployed Miners	2,000	
6. Expenses in connexion with testing Scheme of Ventilation of Mines	250	
Total Division No. 82	9,015	
The sum of ... ..	...	5,515
And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.		

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

Number.	Classification		£	£
		DIVISION No. 83.		
		AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES.		
		Subdivision No. 1.		
		FIRST DIVISION.		
1		Secretary for Agriculture	800	
		Subdivision No. 2.		
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.		
	Sc.		Maxi- mum. £	
1		Chemist	550	550
1		Entomologist	350	350
1		Assistant Chemist	250	250
1		Assistant Chemist	140	140
1		Assistant Entomologist	212	156
5				1,446
		Subdivision No. 3.		
		CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1	3	Chief Clerk		450
6	5	Clerks		1,050
		Allowance to Mr. J. H. Mullaly for acting as Accountant		100
7				1,600
		Subdivision No. 4.		
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.		
1		Junior Messenger	72	72
		Subdivision No. 5.		
		<i>(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)</i>		
5		Pupils to Chemist—Three at £75, and two at £50		325
19		Total SALARIES		4,243
		Subdivision No. 6.		
		CONTINGENCIES.		
		Travelling Expenses, Stores, Books, Instruments, and Incidentals ...	1,200	
		Total Division No. 83		5,443
		The sum of		3,925
		DIVISION No. 84.		
		EXPERIMENTAL CULTIVATION.		
		Purchase of Seeds, Implements, Manures, Carriage, Cultivation, &c. ...	200	
		The sum of		150
		DIVISION No. 85.		
		VINE DISEASES ERADICATION.		
		Departmental Expenses, Trenching, &c., in connexion with the eradica- tion of diseased vineyards	1,000	
		The sum of		650

Number.	Classification				£	£
		DIVISION No. 86.				
		DISEASES IN STOCK.				
		Subdivision No. 1.				
		CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	4	Acting Chief Inspector of Stock *	...	...	350	
3	4	District Inspectors of Stock *	...	...	900	
5	5	Inspectors of Stock *	...	...	1,050	
9					2,300	
		Subdivision No. 2.				
		NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
				Maxi- mum.		
				£		
5		Inspectors of Stock *	...	...	200	870
2		Inspectors of Stock *	...	...	178	282
7						1,152
16		Total SALARIES	...	...		3,452
		Subdivision No. 3.				
		CONTINGENCIES.				
		Allowances, Travelling and Incidentals	...	...	...	1,550
		Temporary Assistance	...	...	...	180
						1,730
		Total Division No. 86	...	...	...	5,182
		The sum of	...	...	...	3,893
		DIVISION No. 87.				
		VEGETATION DISEASES.				
		Subdivision No. 1.				
		PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
				Maxi- mum.		
				£		
7	Sc.	Inspectors under Vegetation Diseases Act†	...	...	...
		—One at £204, one at £197 18s., one at	...	...	...
		£197 4s., one at £186 7s., and three at	...	...	...
		£150	...	...	210	1,236
		Subdivision No. 2.				
		CONTINGENCIES.				
		Allowances, Travelling and Incidentals	...	...	...	1,000
		Temporary Assistance	...	...	...	188
						1,188
		Total Division No. 87	...	...	...	2,424
		The sum of	...	...	...	1,815

* Receive travelling and horse allowances of from £25 to £100 per annum.
† Receive travelling allowances of £120 per annum when engaged in District duties.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 88.		
GRANTS.		
No. 1. To Agricultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council	6,000	
2. For Fencing and Improving Public Parks and Gardens under the control of Borough Councils, Trustees, Committees of Management, &c., to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council, no payment to exceed £250	2,500	
3. To the Geelong Corporation, one-half of the expenses of Maintaining and Improving the Botanical Gardens, Geelong, for the year 1900, but not to exceed £250	250	
4. To Horticultural Societies, to be expended under regulations to be approved by the Governor in Council	300	
5. For Medals to be awarded in connexion with the Royal Agricultural Society's Annual Show	100	
6. To the Victorian Silk Culture Association, to assist in advancing the Sericultural Industry	100	
7. For Prizes to be Awarded for the best samples of Factory Butter suitable for Export	50	
Total Division No. 88	9,300	
The sum of	9,300
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DIVISION No. 89.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
No. 1. For Payment of Expenses in connexion with the Export of Dairy Produce, Fruits, Honey, Meat, Rabbits, Poultry, and other Products	33,650	
2. To the Melbourne University, for performing bacteriological work for the Department of Agriculture	150	
Total Division No. 89	33,800	
The sum of ... ..	...	24,762

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

Resolved—That the following sum be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

Number.	Classification		£	£
DIVISION No. 90.				
PUBLIC HEALTH.				
SALARIES.				
Subdivision No. 1.				
PROFESSIONAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1	M.	Assistant Medical Inspector ...	500	500
1	M.	Health Officer, Quarantine Station *	500	500
1	A. & E.	Inspector and Engineer ...	500	500
1	A. & E.	Assistant Inspector and Engineer ...	360	360
1	A. & E.	Assistant Inspector and Engineer ...	300	200
1	M.	Veterinary Inspector ||	400	400
1	G.	Sanitary Inspector ...	275	250
7				2,710
Subdivision No. 2.				
CLERICAL DIVISION.				
1	2	Secretary ...		600
1	3	Senior Clerk ...		360
1	4	Accountant, Vaccination and Cemeteries Officer		350
1	4	Clerk ...		300
6	5	Clerks ...		1,040
1	5	Storekeeper and Telegraph Operator ...		200
11				2,850
Subdivision No. 3.				
NON-CLERICAL DIVISION.				
			Maxi- mum.	
			£	
1		Caretaker, Calf Lymph Depôt *†	120	111
1		Caretaker, Sanatorium*†	108	108
1		Coxswain † ...	180	171
2		Boatmen* †§ ...	144	290
5				680
Subdivision No. 4.				
(Exempt from provisions of Act No. 1133.)				
1		Chairman and Medical Inspector ...		1,100
1		Messenger and Caretaker ...		156
2				1,256
25		Total SALARIES ...		7,496

* With quarters; —† With fuel, light, and water. —‡ Now employed on general duties. —§ One acts as skilled labourer. —|| Also acts as Veterinary Inspector to Defence Department.

	£	£
DIVISION No. 90.		
Subdivision No. 5.		
CONTINGENCIES.		
Expenses Board of Public Health, including Travelling Expenses of Inspectors	1,350	
Stores, Stationery and Printing, and Fuel, Light, Water, and Incidentals	160	
Allowances to Port Health Officers (including two at £271 per annum)	658	
Provisions and Stores for Quarantine Station and Steam Launch ...	250	
Maintenance of the Sanatorium	30	
Bacteriological and Laboratory Work	350	
Allowance for support of Lepers, including Wages of Attendants and Expenses of Removal	150	
Expenses in connexion with the stamping out of Contagious Diseases ...	1,000	
	3,948	
Subdivision No. 6.		
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Allowances for Vaccination, including expenses attending Cultivation of Calf Lymph	4,300	
To assist in Fencing New Cemeteries	100	
Expenses in connexion with the Provision of Hospital Accommodation by Municipalities	300	
Maintenance of Old Cemetery	30	
	4,730	
Subdivision No. 7.		
Expenses in connexion with the outbreak of Bubonic Plague ...	4,000	
Total Division No. 90	20,174	
The sum of ... ..	...	15,132

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

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1900–1901 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

Number.	DIVISION No. 91. VICTORIAN RAILWAYS. SALARIES. Subdivision No. 1. SECRETARY'S BRANCH.	£	£
1	Secretary	1,000	
1	Chief Clerk	500	
2	Clerks	638	
4		2,138	
	ACCOUNTANT'S BRANCH.		
1	Chief Accountant	750	
1	Sub-Accountant	650	
11	Clerks	4,313	
13		5,713	
	TRAFFIC AUDIT BRANCH.		
1	Traffic Auditor	800	
4	Clerks	1,380	
5		2,180	
	STORES BRANCH.		
1	Railway Storekeeper	600	
1	Assistant Railway Storekeeper and Stores Inspector	400	
2		1,000	
	TRAFFIC BRANCH.		
1	Chief Traffic Manager *	900	
1	Goods and Assistant Traffic Manager	650	
1	Traffic Running Superintendent	550	
8	District Traffic Superintendents—One at £450, † one at £400 †, one at £375, † two at £350, * three at £350 †	2,975	
1	Goods Superintendent †	450	
8	Station-masters—One at £375, † two at £350, * two at £300, * three at £300 †	2,575	
1	Metropolitan Yard Inspector	350	
8	Clerks—One at £350 †	3,050	
1	Special Officer	325	
30		11,825	
	TELEGRAPH BRANCH.		
1	Telegraph Superintendent	600	
3	Inspectors	1,050	
4		1,650	
	LOCOMOTIVE BRANCH.		
1	Chief Mechanical Engineer	1,100	
1	Workshop Manager and Deputy Chief Mechanical Engineer	600	
1	Locomotive Running Superintendent	550	
8	District Locomotive Inspectors	2,940	
11	Locomotive Foremen	3,649	
1	Chief Draughtsman	360	
1	Chief Clerk	400	
24		9,599	

* With quarters value £52 per annum. — † With allowance of £52 per annum in lieu of quarters. — ‡ With allowance of £25 per annum.

Number.		£	£
	DIVISION No. 91.		
	EXISTING LINES BRANCH.		
1	Chief Engineer for Existing Lines	900	
1	Chief Assistant Engineer	700	
8	Assistant Engineers	3,495	
2	Surveyors	720	
5	Draughtsmen	1,650	
3	Superintending Inspectors	1,465	
31	Inspectors	10,020	
1	Chief Clerk	475	
52		19,425	
	ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S BRANCH.		
1	Engineer-in-Chief	1,250	
1	District Engineer	650	
4	Assistant Engineers	1,670	
3	Draughtsmen	1,280	
1	Field Assistant	330	
2	Clerks	890	
1	Lithographic Printer in Charge... ..	350	
13		6,420	
147	Total SALARIES of £300 per annum and upwards ...	59,950	
	Deduct Estimated Amount chargeable to Loans	7,000	
		52,950	
	Total Salaries from £40 to £300 per annum	188,000	
		240,950	
	Working expenses of all Lines during the year 1900-1, including Salaries as above, viz., £240,950—		
	Maintenance and Renewals	467,000	
	Locomotive Charges	675,000	
	Traffic Charges	566,000	
	General Charges	56,000	
		1,764,000	
	To provide for portion of expenditure temporarily charged to the "Treasury Bonds Loan Account 1896," Act No. 1451, an equivalent amount to be transferred from Loan Proceeds to the Consolidated Revenue—		
	Maintenance and Renewals	1,500	
	Locomotive Charges	6,000	
		7,500	
	To provide for portion of expenditure temporarily charged to the Victorian Government Three per cent. Stock Act 1898, No. 1564, under the authority of the Railway and Public Works Loan Application Act 1898, No. 1566, an equivalent amount to be transferred from Loan Proceeds to the Consolidated Revenue—		
	Maintenance and Renewals	10,000	
	Locomotive Charges	4,000	
		14,000	
	Total Division No. 91	1,785,500	
	The sum of ... ..	...	1,185,500

DIVISION No. 92.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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

	£ s. d.			Less paid out of Special Appropriations.			£ s. d.			£
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
J. B. Blackburn ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218	15	0	219
J. Jeremy ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125
A. P. Mathison ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	400
J. Bruce ...	382	10	0	348	15	0	33	15	0	
W. Cadwallader ...	276	0	0	208	6	8	67	13	4	
I. Chapman ...	227	8	2	213	3	11	14	4	3	
J. Galbraith ...	77	9	4	70	8	6	7	0	10	
F. Glenister ...	222	0	0	204	0	0	18	0	0	
W. Huffer ...	70	8	6	68	1	7	2	6	11	
A. Homewood ...	194	5	0	178	10	0	15	15	0	
T. Maddock ...	77	9	4	72	15	5	4	13	11	
P. McDonald ...	82	3	3	75	2	5	7	0	10	
P. O'Brien ...	51	14	2	47	2	11	4	11	3	
T. Phipps ...	84	10	2	77	9	4	7	0	10	
J. Richmond ...	146	4	5	132	10	3	13	14	2	
C. Thomson ...	176	0	3	157	16	1	18	4	2	
M. Toohey ...	77	9	4	75	2	5	2	6	11	
B. F. Wiseman ...	117	2	1	107	1	4	10	0	9	
							226	8	2	227

No. 2. Annual Allowances as Compensation:—

Fanny K. Cooke—Allowance for permanent injuries received in Railway Collision at Sunbury, 1872 ...	70
Helena A. Wilson—Allowance for permanent injury received in Railway Collision at Windsor, March, 1882 ...	52
John Smith—Allowance for being disabled whilst in the execution of his duty as an Engine-cleaner ...	52
Margaret Darcy—Allowance for permanent injury received at South Melbourne, March, 1889 ...	70
Honora Rickard—Allowance for five years, commencing at 1st October, 1895, and ending 30th September, 1900, at £20 per annum, as mother of Elizabeth Agnes and Rachel Rickard, who were run over by a train on 4th September, 1888, the former being killed and the latter losing a limb—Three months at £20 per annum ...	5
3. To pay Pensions, computed on the basis of section 44 of Act 25 Vict. No. 160, to Officers who have retired in consequence of changes in the Department, and who are not entitled to Pensions under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135 ...	4,810
4. To provide for the difference between the amount of Pension due and the minimum of £30 per annum payable to certain Officers who have retired under Act 54 Vict. No. 1135 since 29th January, 1895 ...	550
5. To Alexander Glenn, being the difference between the amount of Pension paid, computed at reduced rate of pay, and Pension computed at rate of pay prior to reduction, £2 8s. 3d. ...	3
Total Division No. 92 ...	6,583

The sum of ... 3,803

And the said resolutions were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

15. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 9 to 14 inclusive be postponed until this day.
16. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Murray reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution.
On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Murray reported from the Committee of Ways and Means a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows :—
Resolved—That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1901, the sum of £3,198,735 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. Shiels and Mr. Irvine do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
17. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—Mr. Irvine then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
18. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.
19. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Irvine moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44.

THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SALTWATER RIVER BRIDGE BILL.—Mr. Graham moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Graham and Mr. McColl do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Graham then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House :—
Water Act 1890—
Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Construction of Subway for No. 2A Channel.—Order Repealed.—Order in Council.
Rutherglen Waterworks Trust.—Application for an Additional Loan of £1,200.
4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Woomelang through Mildura to Yelta*” without amendment.
Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.
W. A. ZEAL,
President.
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of railway*” without amendment.
Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.
W. A. ZEAL,
President.
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to make a further appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty’s Regular Forces in South Africa*” without amendment.
Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.
W. A. ZEAL,
President.
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Lands in the Town of Geelong and for other purposes*” without amendment.
Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.
W. A. ZEAL,
President.
5. PETITION.—Mr. A. Harris presented a Petition from H. M. Stewart, of Tangil, praying that the House will take into consideration his claim as the discoverer of the first gold-field in Gippsland, and will grant him such relief as it thinks fit.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

6. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACT 1900.—SPECIAL BOARDS TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.**—Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of manufacturing overmantels and wood mantelpieces other than wood mantelpieces to be painted, such as are usually made in saw-mills.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of manufacturing mattresses or bedding.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of glazing or bevelling plate glass, or of silvering plate or sheet glass, or of embossing plate, sheet, or stained glass, or of cutting plate or stained glass, or of glazing stained glass in lead.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of an engraver or die sinker.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of manufacturing jam, fruit, jelly, pickles, and sauces.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturing confectioner.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a manufacturing jeweller.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a fellmonger, or woollscourer, or tanner of sheepskins.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of carriages, carts, and other vehicles other than perambulators.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Mr. McLean moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a tanner, currier, or leatherdresser other than a tanner of sheepskins.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. **MARRIAGE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
1. Clause 4, line 3, after “bear” insert “and upon proof that such woman is enceinte.”
 2. Clause 7, lines 18–19, omit “in the said Part IV. of the *Marriage Act 1890.*”
 3. „ line 20, omit “made thereunder” and insert “and as to the powers of the Court of General Sessions of the peace for the district in reference to any such orders.”
 4. Add the following new clause :—
 - A. In any proceedings under this Act no man shall be taken to be the father of a child the subsequent birth of which is probable upon the oath of the woman who is enceinte only.
- And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.
8. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
- Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
- Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same without amendment.

9. PUBLIC SERVICE RECLASSIFICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Watt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.		Noes, 36.
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Salmon,	Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Shiels,	Mr. Best,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Bromley,
Mr. Keys,	Mr. Sterry,	Mr. Burton,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Taverner,	Mr. Carter,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Vale,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Watt,	Mr. Gavan Duffy,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Wheeler.	Mr. Duggan,
Mr. Maloney,		Mr. Fink,
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Foster,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Cook,	Mr. Gillott,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Thomson.	Mr. Gray,
		Mr. Grose,
		Mr. Gurr,
		Mr. Hamilton,
		Mr. J. Harris,
		Mr. John A. Isaacs,
		Mr. Kennedy,
		Mr. Manger,
		Mr. McGregor,
		Sir B. O'Loughlen, Bart.,
		Mr. O'Neill,
		Mr. Peacock,
		Mr. Sadler,
		Mr. Sangster,
		Mr. Toutcher,
		Mr. Trenwith,
		Mr. J. B. Tucker,
		Sir George Turner,
		Mr. Turner,
		Mr. White,
		Mr. Wilkins.
		<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Bailes,
		Mr. Murray.

And so it passed in the negative.

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Legislative Assembly in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes,*" and have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in the said amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Bungaree Junction to the Race-course Reserve*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Improvement of the Approach to the City of Melbourne by the Saint Kilda-road at Prince's-bridge*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on one of their amendments, do insist on another disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause A, and have agreed to the consequential amendment in clause 24 with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they are of opinion that they have the undoubted right to make the amendment in clause 5 of the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla*," as transmitted to the Legislative Assembly on the 3rd of October instant, and the Legislative Council now return the said Bill to the Legislative Assembly, with the intimation that they insist on the said amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

13. BRUNSWICK LANDS.—Mr. McColl moved, pursuant to notice, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the following resolution :—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of family settlement and workmen's homes the land at Brunswick, particulars of which are included in the Agreements and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 10th day of October, 1900.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRIDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1900.

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

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

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

Resolved—That it is expedient to acquire for the purpose of family settlement and workmen's homes the land at Brunswick, particulars of which are included in the Agreements and Statement placed upon the Table of the Legislative Assembly on the 10th day of October, 1900.

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

Ordered—That Mr. McColl and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

14. BRUNSWICK LANDS PURCHASE BILL.—Mr. McColl then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain Land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

15. WINE ADULTERATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 7 inclusive be postponed until this day.

17. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Salmon moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Salmon moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of Mr. Salmon, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Salmon, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 9 be postponed until this day.
19. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The following Orders of the Day were read and discharged :—
Insolvency Law further Amendment Bill—Second reading.
Coal Mines Bill—Second reading.
Land Acts further Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.
Municipalities Reclassification Bill—Second reading.
Railways Acts Amendment Bill—Second reading.
 Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.
20. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until this day :—
Saltwater River Bridge Bill—Second reading.
 Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.
- And then the House, at forty-five minutes past twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day, at half-past one o'clock p.m.

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 45.

FRIDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Bromley, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up the Report of the Printing Committee.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. PAPER.—Mr. Salmon presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
Education.—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1899–1900.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SALTWATER RIVER BRIDGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said—“In my opinion this is a Private Bill.”
Mr. Graham moved, by leave, That this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Graham, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Graham, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until after the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 7 inclusive.
6. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message of the Legislative Council in regard to their amendment in this Bill having been read—Mr. Irvine moved, That this House adheres to the decision already arrived at embodied in a Message to the Legislative Council, that it declines to entertain the amendment referred to therein upon the ground stated in such Message, and directs the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message of the Legislative Council insisting upon the proposed amendment to be discharged.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The said Order of the Day was thereupon discharged.

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7. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **WATER SUPPLY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment.
On the motion of Mr. Shiels, the House ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Shiels moved, That the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **RAILWAY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Shiels moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of Mr. Shiels, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Beazley reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Shiels, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. Outtrim moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from Moe to Walhalla.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That Mr. Outtrim and Mr. Graham do prepare and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Outtrim then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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

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

12. VOTING BY POST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill and disagreed with by the Assembly, or agreed to with amendments, having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments of the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.
1. Clause 22, omit this clause	{ Disagreed with by the Assembly and insisted on by the Council.
2. Clause 24, line 38, after "years" insert "from the commencement of this Act and thence until the end of the next ensuing session of Parliament and no longer."	{ Agreed to by the Assembly, and the following consequential amendment made in clause 24 :—Line 1, after "shall" insert "come into operation on the first day of December One thousand nine hundred." Consequential amendment agreed to by the Council with the following amendment :—Insert "and shall" after "hundred."

And, after debate—

Amendment 1, disagreement insisted on, but the following amendments made in the clause, viz. :—

Line 1, omit "directly or indirectly requires."

Lines 2 and 3, omit "vote by post or to apply for or."

Line 4, after "person" insert "by bribery or intimidation."

Lines 5 and 6, omit "on conviction be liable to imprisonment for any term not exceeding one year" and insert "forfeit and pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered in a summary way before two justices by any person who shall sue for the same."

"'Bribery or intimidation' shall for the purposes of this section include any promise or threat either expressed implied or understood of any benefit or disadvantage to accrue directly or indirectly to such person from such first-mentioned person."

Amendment 2, amendment of the Council on the consequential amendment of the Assembly agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Council on the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Assembly in clause 24, and that they insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit clause 22, but have made amendments in the clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

13. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the County of Delatite known as the Whitfield Estate*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of Money for Water Supply in Country Districts*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize certain expenditure out of money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900,

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the acquisition by the State of certain land in the Parish of Jika Jika County of Bourke*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Swamp-road Bridge over the Saltwater River*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Friendly Societies Act 1890'*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not now insist on their amendment to omit clause 5 in the said Bill and have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the said clause with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

Amendment of the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

Clause 5, omit this clause.

Disagreed with by the Assembly, and insisted on by the Council. Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly but the following amendment made in the clause :—Clause 5, page 3, line 3, omit all the words after "1890" to the end of the clause and insert the following :—"If the client shall seek to set aside such agreement or to reduce the amount payable thereunder on the ground that the same is unfair or unreasonable he may proceed in a summary manner before the court or a judge who shall have power upon proof thereof to order such agreement to be cancelled or the amount payable thereunder to be reduced, and may give all such directions as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of carrying such order into effect." Amendment to omit clause 5 still insisted on by the Council. Disagreement still insisted on by the Assembly. Amendment to omit clause 5 not now insisted on by the Council, and amendment of Assembly agreed to with amendments :—Line 7, after "cancelled" insert "and the bill of such solicitor to be furnished and taxed"; line 8, after "reduced" insert "but not below such sum as the bill when taxed would amount to"; line 10, after "effect" add "Provided always that in taxing such bill the taxing officer shall allow such fees charges and disbursements in respect of the business done by such solicitor as such solicitor would have been entitled to if the amount had not been fixed by any agreement and shall give his certificate accordingly for the amount of such bill when taxed. The provisions of this section shall apply to any agreement made between a barrister and solicitor acting as a barrister and his client or between a barrister and solicitor acting as a barrister only and a solicitor acting on behalf of a client and whether such agreement be expressed or implied or made by marking the amount of a fee upon any brief or document delivered to such barrister in the same manner and to the same extent as if such agreement were made by a solicitor."

Mr. Irvine moved, That the House disagree with the amendments of the Legislative Council on the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in clause 5, and that, as a consequential amendment, clause 5 be omitted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the amendments of the Legislative Council on an amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 5, and, as a consequential amendment, have omitted clause 5.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to one of the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in clause B, that they insist on their amendments in the said clause with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed, and have disagreed with the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly on the said amendments.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

Amendment of the Legislative Assembly.

How dealt with.

Insert the following new clause :—

B. No council company or person supplying or using electricity under the provisions of the Principal Act or this Act shall employ any servant or workman engaged in manual or mechanical labour for more than six days in each week. Provided that where it shall appear to the Minister that any employment in contravention of this section has been rendered necessary by any unforeseen emergency he shall have power to certify in writing to that effect, in which case the provisions of this section shall not apply to such employment. In the event of such emergency involving extra Sunday labour the payment for such Sunday labour shall be twice the ordinary rate. Any other overtime shall be paid for at a rate fifty per centum over the ordinary rate. Any council company or person offending against this provision shall be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Fifty pounds to be recovered with or without costs by any person in a court of petty sessions.

Agreed to by the Legislative Council with the following amendments :—Line 1, omit "or using"; line 12, omit "extra" and insert "overtime on"; line 12, omit "labour"; line 13, omit "labour" and insert "overtime"; line 17, omit "Fifty" and insert "Ten."

Amendment to omit "or using," in line 1, agreed to by the Legislative Assembly with the following consequential amendment :—Line 3, after "employ" insert "in connexion with such supply"; amendment to omit "extra," in line 12, agreed to; amendment to insert "overtime on" disagreed with; amendment to omit "labour," in line 12, agreed to; amendment to omit "labour" and insert "overtime," in line 13, disagreed with, and the following consequential amendments made :—Line 12, omit "involving" and insert "requiring any person who has already worked on the six preceding consecutive days or who has worked forty-eight hours upon the preceding days to work on"; line 14, after "overtime" insert "beyond forty-eight hours in any one week"; amendment to omit "Fifty," in line 17, and insert "Ten" agreed to.

Consequential amendment in line 3 agreed to by the Legislative Council; amendment to insert "overtime on," in line 13, insisted on; amendment to omit "labour" and insert "overtime," in line 13, insisted on, and consequential amendments disagreed with.

And, after debate—

Amendment to insert "overtime on," in line 12—disagreement insisted on.

Amendment to omit "labour" and insert "overtime," in line 13—disagreement insisted on, and the following amendments made in the consequential amendments :—

Line 3, omit "on" and insert "forty-eight hours during."

Lines 4 and 5, omit "or who has worked forty-eight hours upon the preceding days to work on."

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on the amendments in clause B disagreed with by the Legislative Council, but have made amendments in their consequential amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

16. TRACTION ENGINES REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, line 7, after "road" insert "oil or."
2. Clause 4, line 18, after "letters" insert "not less than one inch long."
3. " lines 18-19, omit "the motor" in two places and insert "such engine" in each case.
4. Clause 9, line 34, before "before" insert "Traction engines may travel through any city town borough or shire between the hours of sunrise and sunset but."
5. " line 35, omit "shire" and insert "populous part of a shire as defined by the shire council (which it is hereby authorized to do)."
6. " line 35, omit "two" and insert "three."
7. " line 36, omit "twenty-four" and insert "forty-eight."
8. " " omit "mayor."
9. " line 39, omit "mayor or."
10. " line 42, omit "mayor or."
11. " page 3, line 2, after "indicated" insert "by the town clerk or shire secretary in writing."
12. " " line 8, after "directed" insert "if any direction be given."
13. Clause 10, line 11, before "becomes" insert "breaks down or."
14. " line 11, omit "obstructed or."
15. " line 13, after "to" insert "properly and completely."
16. Clause 11, line 23, after "place" insert "and maintain for twenty-four hours at least."
17. " " after "mark" insert "including a light at night."
18. " " omit "he" and insert "such owner or driver."
19. " " after "shall" insert "not (unless such engine and the load thereon or therewith on the bridge or culvert at the time of such breaking or damage exceed the total weight of twelve tons avoirdupois)."
20. " line 24, omit "and" and insert "provided he."
21. " line 25, omit "mayor or president or surveyor or engineer" and insert "town clerk or shire secretary at the municipal offices."
22. " line 30, at the end of clause add "In the event of such engine and the load thereon or therewith on the bridge or culvert at the time of such breaking or damage exceeding twelve tons avoirdupois both the owner and driver shall be liable to repay to the council the cost of repairing the damage done to such bridge or culvert."
23. After clause 13 insert the following new clause :—
 - A. The driver of every traction engine when travelling on any public road shall when requested so to do by any person driving a horse or horses in any conveyance stop until such conveyance has passed such traction engine.
24. Clause 15, line 6, omit "One pound" and insert "Three pounds."
25. " line 7, omit "Three" and insert "Five."
26. " line 8, omit "the third" and insert "any subsequent."
27. " line 8, omit "Five" and insert "Ten."

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendments 1 to 15 agreed to.

Amendments 16 to 22 disagreed with, but the following consequential amendment made :—Omit clause 11.

Amendments 23 to 27 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the said amendments and have disagreed with others, but, as a consequential amendment, have omitted clause 11.

17. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in the omission of clause 5 in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890.'*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they do not now insist on the omission of clause 22 in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council,*" and have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly made in the said clause.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the expenditure of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Moe to Walhalla*" without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to prevent the Adulteration of Wine,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

Clause 8, line 37, omit "section five of."

Clause 14, line 23, omit "section nine" and insert "this Act."

Clause 18, line 1, omit "Minister" and insert "Board."

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly to omit clause eleven in the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Traffic of Traction Engines.*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

20. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLean moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next, at two o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Electric Light and Power Act 1896,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council still insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly and disagree with the consequential amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

And the said amendments were read. (For amendments see page 253.)

Mr. Irvine moved, That this House do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments insisted on in clause B by the Legislative Council.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendments insisted on in clause B by the Legislative Council.

And then the House, at forty-eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Wednesday next, at two o'clock.

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

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 46.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1900.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MALLEE WATER SUPPLY.—Mr. Cameron, Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of Mallee Water Supply ; together with the Appendices and Minutes of Evidence.
Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLean, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 19.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a copy of a despatch which he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying to the people of Victoria the sincere thanks of Her Royal and Imperial Highness the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha for the expression of sympathy upon the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Government House,
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

Victoria, No. 85.

Downing-street, 31st August, 1900.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that the Message contained in your telegram of the 1st of August was duly conveyed to the Duchess of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha through Her Majesty's Minister at Coburg.

2. Her Royal and Imperial Highness has caused Her Majesty's Minister to be informed that she desires that her sincerest thanks for this very kind expression of sympathy may be conveyed to you and to the people of Victoria.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Officer Administering the Government of Victoria.

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

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 20.

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

“ *An Act relating to Military Service in South Africa by Members of the Police Force or Public Service and for other purposes.* ”

“ *An Act for determining the Divisions in Victoria for which Members of the Federal House of Representatives shall be chosen and the number of Members for each Division.* ”

“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Saint Kilda Loan Act 1893.’* ”

“ *An Act for taking a Census for Victoria in the year One thousand nine hundred and one.* ”

“ *An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the financial year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred.* ”

“ *An Act relating to the Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Assembly.* ”

“ *An Act to provide for certain matters in Victoria in connexion with the Commonwealth.* ”

“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Dairying Companies Act 1900.’* ”

“ *An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Geelong to lease Buildings erected on the General Market Site for other than Market purposes.* ”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 8th October, 1900.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Council, for their consideration; the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the provisions of the Companies Acts relating to Life Assurance and for other purposes*" :—

In clause 14, page 6, last line, after "order" insert "or resolution"; page 7, after "four" insert "pounds."

In clause 18, sixth line, after "ink" insert "(except in any advertisement in a registered newspaper)."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments therein recommended.

6. WATER SUPPLY BILL.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had this day received from the Clerk of the Parliaments a letter, which he read and is as follows :—

Parliament House,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

SIR,

I do myself the honour to report, in conformity with the Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical error has been discovered in the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts*" :—In clause 6, line 3, the words "three hundred" have been inserted instead of the words "eight hundred."

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

GEORGE H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

To the Honorable the Speaker, &c., &c., &c.

On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House agreed that the above error be corrected by the insertion in line 3 of clause 6 of the words "eight hundred" instead of the words "three hundred."

Ordered—That the letter of the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing error.

7. VICTORIAN MILITARY CONTINGENTS FURTHER APPROPRIATION BILL.—Mr. Speaker reported that he had this day received from the Clerk of the Parliaments a letter, which he read and is as follows :—

Parliament House,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

SIR,

I do myself the honour to report, in conformity with the Joint Standing Order No. 21, that the following clerical error has been discovered in the Bill intituled "*An Act to make a further Appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa*" :—In clause 3, line 8, the figures "1890" have been inserted instead of the figures "1900."

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

GEORGE H. JENKINS,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

To the Honorable the Speaker, &c., &c., &c.

On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House agreed that the above error be corrected by the insertion in line 8 of clause 3 of the figures "1900" instead of the figures "1890."

Ordered—That the letter of the Clerk of the Parliaments be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting them to concur in the correction of the foregoing error.

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

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 21.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890'*":—
In clause 1, omit "first day of August" and insert "eighteenth day of October."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House agreed to the said amendment, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment and requesting their concurrence therein.

9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. Outtrim, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 22.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of Railway*":—

Clause 4 (last line but five), omit "mean" and substitute "include," and omit "meant" and substitute "included."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of Mr. Outtrim, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

10. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by Mr. McLean, and the same was read :—

JOHN MADDEN,
Lieutenant-Governor.

Message No. 23.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act* the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, for their consideration, the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council*":—

In the title, omit "Assembly" and substitute "Council"; omit "Council" and substitute "Assembly."

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 16th October, 1900.

On the motion of Mr. McLean, the House agreed to the said amendments, and ordered that His Excellency's Message be transmitted to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.

11. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1890.'*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the charging of Local Rates on certain lines of Railway.*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Council.*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in correcting the clerical error reported by the Clerk of the Parliaments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to make a further Appropriation for the Victorian Military Contingents serving with Her Majesty's Regular Forces in South Africa.*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in correcting the clerical error reported by the Clerk of the Parliaments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money for Water Supply in Country Districts.*"

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 17th October, 1900.

W. A. ZEAL,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Lieutenant-Governor desires this Honorable House to attend His Excellency immediately in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to attend His Excellency, when His Excellency was pleased to give the Royal Assent to the following Public Bills, viz.:—

"*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and one and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.*"

"*An Act to provide for Voting by Post at Elections of Members to serve in the Legislative Council and in the Legislative Assembly.*"

And His Excellency was pleased to reserve the following Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon :—

"*An Act relating to Members of the Federal Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.*"

After which His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I am happy to be able to release you from your legislative labours, and to congratulate you upon the many measures of importance with which you have dealt in a session so necessarily brief.

Under the brilliant generalship of that most distinguished soldier, Lord Roberts, the South African war has practically now been brought to a triumphant close. One of the many significant results of the arduous struggle in which the Empire was reluctantly compelled to engage which will always stand out in striking relief is, that the colossal power of the British Empire is not weak and disunited by reason of its being dispersed over many seas. Eloquent proofs have been furnished that Her Majesty and Her successors will always find they can rely upon the great dependencies of the Empire for material assistance in upholding the honour of the country and securing it against attack.

It is a matter of great satisfaction to learn that the Australian troops continue to win the admiration of the Imperial authorities for their valour, resourcefulness, and general bearing. Advices are to hand eulogizing the manner in which our several Victorian Contingents for South Africa were equipped and despatched by the Victorian Department of Defence; praise has also officially been given with reference to the arrangements made in connexion with the Naval Contingent which we sent to China.

I congratulate you most cordially upon the Queen's Assent having been given to the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act and upon the Proclamation of the establishment of Federation. As Melbourne will be the scene of the inauguration of the first Parliament of the Commonwealth, and under auspices of an exceptionally distinguished order, I am pleased to observe that you have passed appropriate measures to meet all the requirements of the occasion.

The condescension of Her Majesty in sanctioning the visit of the Duke of York to open the first Parliament of the Commonwealth evokes the homage of our loyal gratitude, and makes the event unique in interest and importance. His Royal Highness and His consort will receive from Australia an enthusiastic welcome, not only from their close relationship to the Crown, but also because of those personal qualities which grace their exalted rank and commend Them to the deep regard of the people of the United Kingdom.

The selection of the Earl of Hopetoun as our first Governor-General has afforded universal gratification. His highly successful career as Governor of Victoria won for him the favour of all classes, and proved his possession in an eminent degree of all the qualities fitted for such a distinguished appointment. In the higher station to which he has now been called by the Sovereign's grace, the dignity of the Crown and the interests of the Commonwealth will be sagaciously and zealously safeguarded.

For the representation of Victoria in the Federal House of Representatives it has been necessary to divide the Colony into 23 Federal Electorates. To the scheme which you have approved my Advisers had given their most earnest attention, to effect such a division as would evince due regard for community of interests, and lead to the equitable representation of the people in the First Federal Parliament.

You have conferred upon electors who reside outside a radius of five miles from the nearest polling place, and upon absent voters and those incapacitated by physical infirmity, the privilege of Voting by Post, thus liberalizing the franchise and placing it within the reach of all without inconvenience or privation.

The acquisition of the Walmer and Whitfield Estates will promote the permanent settlement on our lands of a contented and prosperous yeomanry. The Lands Office has been largely re-organized, so that the great increase of work caused by recent enactments may be transacted with efficiency and despatch. In addition to the purchase of Wando Vale, Walmer, and Whitfield Estates for closer rural settlement, a new departure has been made to meet the needs of the workers in densely-populated centres. As a first instalment an area of land has been purchased at Brunswick, where workmen can devote their spare time and labour to create for themselves comfortable homes under healthy and cheerful conditions.

The extension of our Railway system by the authorization of the Pitfield, the Mildura, and the Walhalla Railways will, it is hoped, conduce to the advantage and progress of the districts concerned and of the community at large.

In the course of the session resolutions have been passed in accordance with the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, under which the establishment of Special Boards has been authorized to regulate wages in the case of 22 trades.

Amongst other matters, legislation has been enacted amending the Supreme Court and Life Assurance Acts, making provision for taking the Census, establishing Workmen's Homes, and regulating Railway Local Rates.

In response to the general demand of the community, a needful measure has been passed to prevent the adulteration of Victorian wine.

In anticipation of the transference of Customs and Excise to the Commonwealth, my Advisers have distributed the services which will still be controlled by the State among the existing Departments in such a manner as will preserve their efficiency and conduce to the convenience of the public.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I thank you, in Her Majesty's name, for the wise provision which you have made for the service of the State.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

It is most gratifying to be able to point to the steady increase of trade, the satisfactory revenue prospects, and the general prosperity of the community.

I thank you for your attendance in this the fourth session of the Seventeenth Parliament of Victoria, and express the hope that the result of your labours may increase the prosperity of the country. In Her Majesty's name, I declare this Parliament to be prorogued to Tuesday, the 23rd day of October instant, and it is prorogued accordingly.

JOHN MADDEN.

W. V. ROBINSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

F. C. MASON,
Speaker.

SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1900.



1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed 27th June, 1900.)

Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Burton,
Mr. Cameron,
Mr. A. Harris,



Mr. Methven,
Mr. Moule,
Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.



2.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Graves,
Mr. Higgins,
Mr. Levien,
Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. McLean,



Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. A. L. Tucker,
Sir George Turner,
Mr. Vale,
Mr. Wheeler.



3.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Deakin,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,



Mr. Madden,
Mr. Shiels.



4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Graham,
Mr. Moule,



Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Taverner.



5.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Bromley,
Mr. Craven,
Mr. Dyer,
Mr. Gray,
Mr. Grose,



Mr. Kirton,
Mr. Langdon,
Mr. Mauger,
Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Rawson.

6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Austin,
Mr. Bennett,Mr. Brown,
Mr. Wilkins.

7.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Beazley,
Mr. Carter,
Mr. Deakin,
Sir John McIntyre,Mr. R. Murray Smith, C.M.G.,
Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Wheeler.

8.—FIFTH BATTALION OF MILITIA.

(Appointed 10th July, 1900.)

Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Burton,
Mr. Duggan,
Mr. Foster,Mr. Hamilton,
Mr. Kirton,
Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Thomson.

9.—RAILWAY SPARK ARRESTERS.

(Appointed 25th July, 1900.)

Mr. Bowser,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,
Mr. Graves,
Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. McKenzie,Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. H. R. Williams.

10.—RAILWAY PORTER McHALE.

(Appointed 8th August, 1900.)

Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Bromley,
Mr. J. Harris,Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Moule,
Mr. Wilkins.

11.—RAILWAY CARRIAGE LIGHTING.

(Appointed 22nd August, 1900.)

Mr. Anderson,
Mr. Burton,
Mr. Gillott,
Mr. McArthur,Mr. McGregor,
Mr. McLeod,
Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Vale.

12.—CASE OF J. HALL.

(Appointed 19th September, 1900.)

Mr. Fink,
Mr. Hamilton,
Mr. Maloney,
Mr. McLeod,Mr. Methven,
Mr. Murray,
Mr. Styles.

13.—LIFE ASSURANCE ON THE ASSESSMENT PRINCIPLE.

(Appointed 26th September, 1900.)

Mr. Bennett,
Mr. Fink,
Mr. Gillott,
Mr. J. Harris,Mr. Kennedy,
Mr. Moule,
Mr. H. R. Williams.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 1.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 19TH JULY, 1900.

TUESDAY, 17TH JULY, 1900.

No. 1.—*Women's Suffrage Bill*.—Clause 1.

This Act may be cited as the *Woman Suffrage Act* 1900.—(*Mr. McLean.*)

Short title.

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.
—(*Mr. McLean.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Toucher,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. White.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McBride,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Cook,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Craven.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Maloney,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Mauger,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Higgins,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Wilkins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH JULY, 1900.

No. 2.—*Traction Engines Regulation Bill*.—Clause 9.

No traction engine shall travel on any street road or highway unless the tires of the wheels of such engine and of all waggons or vehicles attached thereto shall comply with the following conditions:—

- (1) Waggons carrying five tons weight tires to be not less than *four* inches wide.
- (2) Waggons carrying over five tons up to eight tons tires to be not less than *five* inches wide.
- (3) Waggons carrying exceeding eight tons tires to be not less than *six* inches wide.

—(Mr. Sterry.)

Motion made and question put—That clause 9, as amended, stand part of the Bill.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Austin,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Keys,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. Salmon,
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 24.

Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Grose,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Wilkins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 2.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 2ND AUGUST, 1900.

THURSDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1900.

No. 1.—*Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill*.—Clause 2.

In "this" Act unless the context otherwise requires—

"Electoral District" means Electoral District for the Legislative Assembly as described in the Seventeenth Schedule to *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* as amended by the *Electoral Districts Boundaries Amendment Act 1896*; and

Meaning of "electoral district" and "division." Nos. 1075, 1427.

"Division" means division of any electoral district as described in the said Schedule.—(Mr. McLean.)

Amendment proposed—That the word "this," in line 1, be omitted.—(Mr. McKenzie.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. J. Harris,
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 33.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. F. C. Mason,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Craven.
Mr. McGregor,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 3.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 9TH AUGUST, 1900.

TUESDAY, 7TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 1.—*Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.*—Schedule.

FEDERAL ELECTORATES IN VICTORIA OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Column 1. Name of Federal Electorate.	Column 2. Electoral Districts, the whole or portion of which are included in Federal Electorate.	Column 3. Divisions of Electoral District included in Federal Electorate.
<p>* * *</p> <p>6. CORIO ...</p> <p>* * *</p>	<p>* * *</p> <p>BARWON</p> <p>"BOURKE WEST" ...</p> <p>GEELONG</p> <p>GRANT ...</p> <p>BENALLA AND YARRAWONGA DELATITE NUMURKAH AND NATHALIA SHEPPARTON AND EUROA</p> <p>* * *</p>	<p>* *</p> <p>Bacchus Marsh Gisborne Maribyrnong Melton Mount Cotteril Sunbury</p> <p>Barrarbool Gheringhap Lara Moorpanyal Mount Wallace Parwan Peak Steiglitz Werribee Wyndham</p> <p>* *</p>

FEDERAL ELECTORATES IN VICTORIA OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA—*continued.*

Column 1. Name of Federal Electorate.	Column 2. Electoral Districts, the whole or portion of which are included in Federal Electorate.	Column 3. Divisions of Electoral District included in Federal Electorate.
9. "INDI" 	BENAMBRA BOGONG GIPPSLAND EAST OVENS WANGARATTA AND RUTHERGLEN	Omeo
10. CORINELLA 	BOURKE WEST CASTLEMAINE DAYLESFORD "GRANT" KILMORE, DALHOUSIE, AND LANCE- FIELD KINETON WARRENHEIP 	Ballan South Ballan Carlsruhe Miami Newham Bungaree Gong Gong Gordons South Road Warrenheip
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19. SOUTHERN MELBOURNE	ALBERT PARK EMERALD HILL MELBOURNE SOUTH "ST. KILDA" SOUTH YARRA	St. Kilda West
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—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "Bourke West," in column 2, in the Federal Electorate No. 6, Corio, be omitted.—(*Mr. Gurr.*)

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

Ayes, 48.

Mr. Austin,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowsor,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. White.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McArthur,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McColl,	Mr. A. Harris.

Noes, 21.

Mr. Burton,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Grose,
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. McGregor.
Mr. Morrissey,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “Goulburn Valley,” in column 1, be omitted with a view to insert in lieu thereof the word “Moira.”—(*Mr. Graves.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. White.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Toutcher.

Noes, 39.

Mr. Bennett,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Gavau Duffy,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Madden,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McBride,	Mr. Thomson.
Mr. McGregor,	

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 3.—

And the name of the Federal Electorate No. 9, “Indei,” having been altered to “Indi”—

Further amendment proposed—That the word “Indi,” in column 1, as amended, be omitted with a view to insert in lieu thereof the words “Ovens and Murray.”—(*Mr. Bowser.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gavau Duffy,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. White.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. McLeod,	Mr. Burton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—

Further amendment proposed—That the word “Grant,” in column 2, in the Federal Elector to No. 10, Corinella, be omitted.—(*Mr. Lawson.*)
Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 54.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. White.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 14.

Mr. Gair,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Lawson,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Sadler,	Mr. Burton.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 5.—

Further amendment proposed—That the words “St. Kilda,” in column 2, be omitted.—(*Mr. T. Smith.*)
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Brown,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Levien,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Thomson.

Noes, 14.

Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. White,
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Morrissey,	
Mr. Sadler,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Burton,
Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Gray.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 4.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 16TH AUGUST, 1900.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 1.—*Non-compulsory Vaccination Bill.*—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the *Health Act 1890* no parent or person shall be deemed to have committed an offence against any of the provisions of the said Act by reason only of his neglect or refusal to cause or allow his child or any child in his custody or himself, as the case may be, to be vaccinated or revaccinated.—(*Mr. Cook.*)

No person guilty of an offence by neglecting or refusing vaccination &c.

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(*Mr. Gillies.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Bennett,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. A. Harris,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. White,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Keys,	
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McArthur,	

Tellers.

Mr. Forrest,
Mr. Grose.

Noes, 36.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kennedy,	
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McColl,	

Tellers.

Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Toutcher.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—

And at a later stage—

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.—

(Mr. Carter.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McBride,
Mr. Bromley,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. White,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. J. Harris,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Forrest,
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. Grose.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 29

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Toucher.

THURSDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 3.—*Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.*—Clause 2.—*(On recommitment.)*

“In” this Act unless the context otherwise requires—

“Electoral District” means Electoral District for the Legislative Assembly as described in the Seventeenth Schedule to *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* as amended by the *Electoral Districts Boundaries Amendment Act 1896*; and

“Division” means division of any electoral district as described in the said Schedule.

—*(Mr. Irvine.)*Amendment proposed—That the word “In,” in line 1, be omitted.—*(Mr. McKenzie.)*Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Moloney,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. White,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McColl,	Mr. J. Harris,
Mr. Methven,	Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 42.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. F. C. Mason,
Mr. Brown,	Mr. J. W. Mason,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Cameron,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Toucher,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kennedy,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Keys,	Mr. McBride.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 5.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 30TH AUGUST, 1900.

TUESDAY, 28TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 1.—*Voting by Post Bill.*—Clause 2.—(*On recommital.*)

This Act shall only apply to elections of members to serve in the Legislative Assembly.—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

Applies only to elections for Legislative Assembly.

Amendment proposed—That the words “and in the Legislative Council” be added to the clause.—(*Mr. Bromley.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Mauger,
Mr. Beazley,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gair,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. E. D. Williams,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Lawson,	
Mr. Maloney,	

Tellers.

Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Grose.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Morrissey,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. White.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. McColl,	
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McLeod,	

Tellers.

Mr. Craven,
Mr. McBride.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1900.

No. 2.—*Walmer Estate Purchase Bill*.—Clause 4.

Notwithstanding anything contained in section one hundred and sixty-six of the *Land Act* 1898 it shall be lawful to subdivide the said land into allotments the value of each of which shall not exceed One thousand *five hundred* pounds.—(Mr. McColl.)

Further amendment proposed—That the following words be added to the clause as amended :—
“ which may be purchased or taken on perpetual lease at the option of the settler.”—(Mr. Cook.)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

Mr. Burton,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gurr,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. White,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. Sangster,	
Mr. T. Smith,	
Mr. Styles,	
Mr. Toucher,	

Tellers.

Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Maloney.

Noes, 34.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Austin,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McLeod,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. Graves,	Sir George Turner.
Mr. A. Harris,	
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Langdon,	
Mr. Madden,	

Tellers.

Mr. McBride,
Mr. Moule.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 6.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

TUESDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

No. 1.—*Federal House of Representatives Electorates Bill.*—Clause 2.—(On recommital.)

** "this" Act unless the context otherwise requires—

"Electoral District" means Electoral District for the Legislative Assembly as described in the Seventeenth Schedule to *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890* as amended by the *Electoral Districts Boundaries Amendment Act 1896*; and

"Division" means division of any electoral district as described in the said Schedule.

—(Mr. Irvine.)

Further amendment proposed—That the word "this," in line 1, be omitted.—(Mr. Best.)

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

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Levien,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. J. W. Mason,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Chirnside,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Thomson,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Turner.
Mr. Holden,	
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. Grose.

Noes, 40.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Best,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Higgins,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. White,
Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Lawson,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Methven,	Mr. Maloney.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—New clause A.

This Act shall not come into operation until every female person of the full age of twenty-one years is qualified to be an elector for the Legislative Assembly if she fulfil the same conditions as are required for male electors.—(*Mr. Maloney.*)

Motion made and question put—That new clause A be added to the Bill.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.		Noes, 59.	
Mr. Cook,	Mr. J. B. Tucker.	Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Madden,
Mr. Higgins,		Mr. Austin,	Mr. J. W. Mason,
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McArthur,
Mr. Sangster,		Mr. Best,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Bowser,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Styles,	Mr. Maloney.	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. McKenzie,
		Mr. Burton,	Mr. Methven,
		Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Moule,
		Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. Murray,
		Mr. Craven,	Mr. Outtrim,
		Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Peacock,
		Mr. Downward,	Mr. Sadler,
		Mr. Gavan Duffy,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
		Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Spiers,
		Mr. Fink,	Mr. Staughton,
		Mr. Forrest,	Mr. Sterry,
		Mr. Foster,	Mr. Thomson,
		Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Toutcher,
		Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Trenwith,
		Mr. Graham,	Sir George Turner,
		Mr. Hamilton,	Mr. Vale,
		Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Watt,
		Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. Wheeler,
		Mr. Holden,	Mr. White,
		Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wilkins,
		Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. E. D. Williams.
		Mr. Kennedy,	
		Mr. Kerr,	<i>Tellers.</i>
		Mr. Langdon,	Mr. Bailes,
		Mr. Lawson,	Mr. Grose.
		Mr. Levien,	

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

No. 3.—*Life Assurance Companies Law Amendment Bill.*—Clause 14.

Sub-section (2) of section one hundred and fifty-three of the *Companies Act 1896* Amendment of section 153 of No. 1482. is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

* * * * * no interest in respect to any period subsequent to the commencement of the winding up, whether by order of the court or under the supervision of the court or voluntarily, of any company shall be computed charged or payable on any debt or claim due from the company and allowed admitted or claimed in the winding up.—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

Amendment proposed—That, at the commencement of sub-section (2), the following words be inserted in place of the words omitted, viz.:—“In the winding up of any company which shall be commenced to be wound up after the passing of this Act interest upon such debts as carry interest shall be allowed and computed according to the rate they respectively carry ‘but save as aforesaid.’”—(*Mr. Irvine.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the words “but save as aforesaid” in the proposed amendment be omitted, and that the following words be inserted in place thereof, viz.:—“Any creditor whose debt or claim so allowed does not carry interest shall be entitled to interest after the rate of Four pounds per centum per annum from the date of the order to wind up the company out of any assets which may remain after satisfying the cost of the winding up the debts and claims established and the interest of such debts and claims as by law carry interest.”—(*Mr. Higgins.*)

And the words "but save as aforesaid" having been omitted from the proposed amendment—
 Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put.
 Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Gurr,	
Mr. Higgins,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. John A. Isaacs,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Maloney.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Austin,	Mr. Moule,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Foster,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Kennedy,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Keys,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. Turner,
Mr. Madden,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. J. W. Mason,	
Mr. McColl,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Morrissey,	Mr. Forrest.

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 7.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

No. 1.—*Non-compulsory Vaccination Bill.*—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the *Health Act 1890* no parent or person shall be “deemed to have committed an offence against any of the provisions of the said Act by reason only of his neglect or refusal to cause or allow his child or any child in his custody or himself, as the case may be, to be vaccinated or revaccinated.”—(*Mr. Cook.*)

No person guilty of an offence by neglecting or refusing vaccination &c.

Amendment proposed—That all the words after the word “be,” in line 2, to the end of the clause be omitted, and that the following words be inserted in place thereof, viz.:—“liable to any penalty under section two hundred and four of the *Health Act 1890* if within four months from the birth of the child he satisfies two justices or a police magistrate in petty sessions that he conscientiously believes that vaccination would be prejudicial to the health of the child and within seven days thereafter delivers to the registrar of births and deaths for the district a certificate by such justices or magistrate of such conscientious objection.

“(2) This section shall come into operation on the passing of this Act, but in its application to a child born before the passing of this Act there shall be substituted for the period of four months from the birth of the child the period of four months from the passing of this Act.”—(*Mr. Salmon.*)

And the words proposed to be omitted having been omitted—

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Cook,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Peacock.
Mr. Murray,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—

Motion made and question put—That clause 2, as amended, stand part of the Bill.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,	Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,	Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Spiers,	Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,	Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,	Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,	Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Watt,	Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins,	Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.	Mr. Kerr,	Mr. White.
Mr. Kirton,		Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Levien,		Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McGregor,	Mr. McLean,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Moule.	Mr. Murray,	Mr. Salmon.

And the numbers being equal, the Chairman said—"The voting being equal, it devolves upon me to give my casting vote. I shall have another opportunity, possibly, myself, of voting in the House according to my opinions on this question, and as, moreover, Honorable Members will have two other opportunities in the House of making amendments if they desire to do so, I give my casting vote with the 'Ayes.'"

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—New clause A.

This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and one and shall remain in force until the first day of "February One thousand nine hundred and one."—(*Mr. Salmon.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "February One thousand nine hundred and one," in lines 2 and 3, be omitted, and that the following words be inserted in place thereof, viz.:—"January One thousand nine hundred and four."—(*Mr. Cook.*)

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

Ayes, 25.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,	Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,	Mr. Cook,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,	Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,	Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Staughton,	Mr. Gair,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Vale,	Mr. Graves,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. White.	Mr. Holden,	
Mr. Kerr,		Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Madden,		Mr. Kirton,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	<i>Tellers.</i>	Mr. Levien,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Craven,		Mr. Wilkins.
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Salmon.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 7.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1900.

No. 1.—*Non-compulsory Vaccination Bill.*—Clause 2.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the *Health Act 1890* no parent or person shall be "deemed to have committed an offence against any of the provisions of the said Act by reason only of his neglect or refusal to cause or allow his child or any child in his custody or himself, as the case may be, to be vaccinated or revaccinated."—(*Mr. Cook.*)

No person guilty of an offence by neglecting or refusing vaccination &c.

Amendment proposed—That all the words after the word "be," in line 2, to the end of the clause be omitted, and that the following words be inserted in place thereof, viz.:—"liable to any penalty under section two hundred and four of the *Health Act 1890* if within four months from the birth of the child he satisfies two justices or a police magistrate in petty sessions that he conscientiously believes that vaccination would be prejudicial to the health of the child and within seven days thereafter delivers to the registrar of births and deaths for the district a certificate by such justices or magistrate of such conscientious objection.

"(2) This section shall come into operation on the passing of this Act, but in its application to a child born before the passing of this Act there shall be substituted for the period of four months from the birth of the child the period of four months from the passing of this Act."—(*Mr. Salmon.*)

And the words proposed to be omitted having been omitted—

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put. Committee divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Cook,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Salmon,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Kirton,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Mauger,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McKenzie,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. O'Neill,	Mr. Moule.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McLean,	Mr. Craven,
Mr. Murray,	Mr. Peacock.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—

Motion made and question put—That clause 2, as amended, stand part of the Bill.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Bennett,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. Wilkins,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Levien,	
Mr. Mauger,	
Mr. McKenzie,	
Mr. O'Neill,	

Tellers.

Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Moule.

Noes, 25.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Kerr,	Mr. White.
Mr. Madden,	
Mr. Maloney,	
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McLean,	
Mr. Murray,	

Tellers.

Mr. Craven,
Mr. Salmon.

And the numbers being equal, the Chairman said—"The voting being equal, it devolves upon me to give my casting vote. I shall have another opportunity, possibly, myself, of voting in the House according to my opinions on this question, and as, moreover, Honorable Members will have two other opportunities in the House of making amendments if they desire to do so, I give my casting vote with the 'Ayes.'"

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—New clause A.

This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and one and shall remain in force until the first day of "February One thousand nine hundred and one."—(*Mr. Salmon.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "February One thousand nine hundred and one," in lines 2 and 3, be omitted, and that the following words be inserted in place thereof, viz.:—"January One thousand nine hundred and four."—(*Mr. Cook.*)

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

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Peacock,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Chirnside,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Staughton,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. White.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Madden,	
Sir John McIntyre,	
Mr. McLean,	
Mr. Murray,	

Tellers.

Mr. Craven,
Mr. Salmon.

Noes, 22.

Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Duggan,	Mr. Spiers,
Mr. Dyer,	Mr. Sterry,
Mr. Gair,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Graves,	Mr. Watt,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Holden,	
Mr. Irvine,	
Mr. Kirton,	
Mr. Levien,	

Tellers.

Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Wilkins.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1900.

No. 8.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDING 5TH OCTOBER, 1900.

THURSDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1900.

No. 1.—*Woomelang to Mildura and Yelta Railway Construction Bill.*—Clause 3.

(1) It shall be lawful for the Board to make and construct the following railway in the line and upon the lands described in the Schedule to this Act and within any deviation thereof as herein provided and all proper works and conveniences in connexion therewith (that is to say):—

Power to make Mildura and Yelta Railway. Schedule.

A railway commencing at or near the "Woomelang Railway Station" and terminating at or near the bank of the Murray River in the township of Yelta in the line and upon the lands described in the Schedule hereto, to be called the Mildura and Yelta Railway.

Schedule. Mildura and Yelta Railway.

(2) The said line shall be deemed to be a line of railway in a country district within the meaning of Part I. of the *Railway Lands Acquisition Act* 1893 and subject to the provisions of the *Railway Lands Acquisition Acts*.

(3) For the purposes of this Act the expression "council," in section twenty of the *Railway Lands Acquisition Act* 1893, shall be deemed to include the several municipal councils of the municipal districts through which the said line is by this Act authorized to be constructed.—(*Mr. Outtrim.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "Woomelang Railway Station," in line 5, be omitted.—(*Mr. Bailes.*)

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

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Austin,	Sir John McIntyre,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McKenzie,
Mr. Best,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. Murray,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Carter,	Mr. Sangster,
Mr. Fink,	Mr. R. Murray Smith,
Mr. Forrest,	Mr. T. Smith,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. A. Harris,	Mr. Trenwith,
Mr. J. Harris,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Levien,	Mr. White.
Mr. Maloney,	
Mr. J. W. Mason,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Mauger,	Mr. Cook,
Mr. McArthur,	Mr. McBride.

Noes, 19.

Mr. Burton,	Mr. O'Neill,
Mr. Craven,	Mr. Sadler,
Mr. Grose,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Gurr,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Holden,	Mr. Vale,
Mr. Isaac A. Isaacs,	Mr. H. R. Williams.
Mr. Kerr,	
Mr. Langdon,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. McGregor,	Mr. Bailes,
Mr. Methven,	Mr. Thomson.
Mr. Morrissey,	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

FRIDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1900.

No. 2.—*Prince's Bridge Approach Bill*.—Clause 3.

(1) Notwithstanding that parts of the lands described in the First and Second Schedules to this Act are not within the boundaries of the City of Melbourne, the Corporation shall after the making of such permanent reservation as aforesaid have the same power—

Power of Melbourne City Council to form road and ornamental reserve.

(a) to form a road upon the land described in "Part I." of the First Schedule to this Act; and

(b) to form ornamental reserves upon the lands described in the Second Schedule to this Act, as if such lands were wholly within the boundaries of the said city and under the care and management of the Corporation.

(2) The Corporation shall not enter upon the work of constructing such road or forming such ornamental reserves until the plans and specifications of the work proposed to be executed have been submitted to and approved by the Governor in Council.—(*Mr. McColl.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words and figure "and Part II." be inserted after "Part I.," in line 5.—(*Mr. J. B. Tucker.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

Mr. Cameron,	Mr. Styles,
Mr. Gray,	Mr. J. B. Tucker,
Mr. Madden,	Sir George Turner,
Mr. Maloney,	Mr. White.
Mr. McArthur,	
Mr. Sangster,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. R. Murray Smith,	Mr. Gair,
Mr. T. Smith,	Mr. Murray.

Noes, 26.

Mr. Anderson,	Mr. Manger,
Mr. Bennett,	Mr. McColl,
Mr. Bowser,	Mr. McLean,
Mr. Bromley,	Mr. Methven,
Mr. Burton,	Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Cook,	Mr. Rawson,
Mr. Deakin,	Mr. Shiels,
Mr. Gillies,	Mr. Taverner,
Mr. Gillott,	Mr. Toutcher,
Mr. Graham,	Mr. Watt.
Mr. J. Harris,	
Mr. Higgins,	<i>Tellers.</i>
Mr. Irvine,	Mr. Langdon,
Mr. J. W. Mason,	Mr. Thomson.

And so it passed in the negative.

