

VICTORIA NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SESSION 1869

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. **MR. KING** : To ask The President of Lands and Survey, Whether there is any objection to lay upon the Table of this House the Report of a Board of Enquiry relative to certain charges instituted against McLean, Crown Lands Bailiff for the Castlemaine and Maldon district, together with the evidence taken upon the enquiry.
2. **MR. BLAIR** : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, If it is his intention to extend the Electric Telegraph wires from Stawell to Pleasant Creek, and when.
3. **MR. BLAIR** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to remove the Powder Magazine at Pleasant Creek to a less dangerous site; and also to provide at the same place a secure building in which to preserve public records.
4. **MR. LANGTON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When a return to an order of this House, made on the 25th August, 1868, for certain information in regard to appointments in the Civil Service, will be laid upon the Table.
5. **MR. REEVES** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, When he will be prepared to introduce a Bill to amend the present Electoral Law.
6. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the present inadequate and inconvenient mode of delivery of letters on Emerald Hill, and to ask, whether some alteration cannot be made to obviate the inconvenience at present felt by the inhabitants of that Borough.
7. **MR. EVERARD** : To ask the Honorable the Treasurer, If, in the Government retrenchment scheme, any action has been taken under the 7th clause of the Civil Service Act to reduce the maximum salary of the various classes.
8. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether in regard to the subject of water supply to country districts, it is the intention of the Government to depart from the policy or provisions of the Water Works Act; and if so, to what extent.

NOTICES OF MOTION :

1. **MR. BYRNE** : To move, That during the present session no fresh business (excepting the postponement of business on the paper) be called on after eleven o'clock.
2. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That, considering the conflicting reports from two gentlemen holding high positions in the service of the Victorian Government respecting the capacity, durability, and financial prospects of the Coliban water scheme, it would be unwise to enter into any further contracts for the completion of the works until this House has had an opportunity of expressing its opinion as to the management and utility of the undertaking.
3. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the following documents—
 - (1.) The report made by the Engineer-in-Chief of Railways upon the Victorian Water Supply department in the year 1866.
 - (2.) Complaints or charges (if any) made to the Government against the Department of Victorian Water Supply, previous to the Engineer-in-Chief of Railways being lately directed to enquire into the working of such department.
 - (3.) The report of the Engineer-in-Chief of Railways on the result of his enquiry, in answer to the same; the report of the Chief Engineer of Water Supply, and the reply (if any) thereto of the Engineer-in-Chief of Railways.
 - (4.) All other reports, correspondence, and documents relating to such enquiry.
4. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in each week during the present session, be the days on which the Assembly shall meet for the despatch of business, and that four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day.
5. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, in each week during the present session, the transaction of Government Business shall take precedence of all other business except that on Wednesday Private Bills shall have precedence from half-past four o'clock to half-past six o'clock.
6. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council, Mr. J. T. Smith, Mr. Crews, Mr. Aspinall, Mr. King, and Mr. Byrne.
7. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following members form the Select Committee on Standing Orders, three to form a quorum, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. Fellows, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Capt. Mac Mahon, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. G. P. Smith, Mr. Casey, Mr. Lalor.
8. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following members do form the Printing Committee during the present Session, three to form a quorum :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Davies, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Everard, Mr. Carr, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Wilson.

9. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following members form the Library Committee of the Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—
Mr. Speaker, Mr. Blair, Mr. McDonnell, Mr. Williams, Mr. McKean.
10. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That the following members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—
Mr. Speaker, Mr. Harbison, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer.
11. **MR. HANNA** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return of the expenses incurred by the several returning officers at each election to the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly from July, 1864, to the present time, giving the number of polling places and the names of the returning officers.
12. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the better representation of the people, and for amending the laws relative to Parliament and the Responsible Ministers of the Crown.
13. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law with respect to the property of Married Women.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
2. **HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH**—To be taken into consideration.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works to the drains at present being constructed from the Military Barracks and Immigrants' Home; and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to complete the main drain from the railway to the Yarra, in order that the additional drainage may be provided for.

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1. **MR. CREWS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, all papers and documents relating to a piece of land known as the North Zoological Gardens.
2. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of all the Magistrates added to the roll, since the present Minister of Justice took office, also showing the number appointed to each constituency, and at whose request they were appointed.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. BLAIR** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the defectiveness of the Police Regulations in certain parts of the City of Melbourne, and the remedy for such defectiveness, and that such Committee consist of Mr. Butters, Mr. G. Paton Smith, Mr. Byrne, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Harcourt, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
2. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH FEBRUARY, 1869.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 1.

Return of Members of Legislative Council, 11th February, 1869, at the opening of the Sixteenth Session of Parliament.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 1.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[1.]

Customs Returns—A General Summary of Import, Export, and Shipping Returns, and Abstract of Customs Revenue, for year 1868, &c., &c. No. 6.

Reports of Mining Surveyors and Registrars for Quarter ending 31st December, 1868. No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 1869.

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2. MR. BYRNE : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, What steps the Government have taken to carry out the recommendations of the Select Committee appointed last session to enquire into the working of the Lands Titles Department.
3. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the desirability of completing the survey of the proposed line of railway through the Western District *viâ* Colac and Camperdown, and to ask what the Government intend to do in the matter.
4. MR. BLAIR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, If he has read in the *Argus* newspaper, of February 13th, the particulars of three cases of alleged attempts to evade the Land Act, with which cases it is asserted certain Members of this House were mixed up ; and whether he will consent to lay upon the Table of this House, without a special motion to that effect, the full details of each of the cases in question.
5. MR. EVERARD : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary and Treasurer, If he has any intention during the present session of Parliament to introduce a Bill for the repeal or modification of the Civil Service Act, in accordance with a promise given last year.
6. MR. HARCOURT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the D. Mackay, Esq., appointed Returning Officer for the North-Western Province, and for the Electoral District of Castlemaine, on the 3rd of October, 1868, is the same D. Mackay who was returning officer for the aforesaid province in 1866, and who was reported by the Audit Commissioners, in their Report of August 24th, 1868, as not having accounted for the sum of £112 11s. 3d., advanced to him from the Treasury for electoral purposes, in December, 1866.
7. MR. F. L. SMYTH : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Railways to the circumstance that a railway is about to be constructed in South Australia, at the cost of £3750 per mile ; and to ask, If it be the intention of the Government to construct future lines, including the line from Melbourne to Belvoir, on a similar plan, and at like cost ; and if so, how much out of the proposed loan of two and a quarter millions is likely to be available to the construction of other lines than the above mentioned line from Melbourne to Belvoir.
8. MR. BLAIR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, Whether his attention has been called to the fact that the Presbyterian congregation of Ballarat West hold two separate allotments of public land, whereas one allotment to each congregation is the rule usually observed in making grants for religious purposes.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—Motion for—To be considered in Committee.

General Business.

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3. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Progress Report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the probable silting up of Hobson's Bay.
4. MR. MACGREGOR : To move, That the Reports of the Engineer-in-Chief of Railways and the Chief Engineer of Water Supply and other documents relating thereto, laid upon the Table of this House, be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report, such Committee to consist of Mr. Frazer, Mr. Kerferd, Mr. Kitto, Mr. Macpherson, Capt. Mac Mahon, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Williams, Mr. Carr, Mr. Butters, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. Richardson, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers, with power to meet upon days when the House does not sit, and to move from place to place.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY.

1. MR. WILSON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Under what circumstances the defendant in the Customs case, the Queen *v.* Lackerstein, was summoned to Castlemaine instead of to Melbourne, to answer the charge of alleged fraud under the Customs Act.

General Business.

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3. CAPTAIN MAC MAHON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the names of the men recently discharged from the Railway department, showing the work on which they had been employed, their length of service, and general conduct.

TUESDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY.

1. MR. HUMFFRAY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether it is the intention of the Government to make provision on the Estimates for the establishment of a School of Mines.
2. MR. DYKE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the practice that exists in the manner of the disposal of mining plants, &c., under the powers of bills of sale; and to ask, Whether in any new Bill to be introduced relating to mining, it is proposed to give a lien for wages to the miner over the plant, &c.
3. MR. BERRY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Survey, Whether he is aware that a free selector of the name of *Dean* has been committed to gaol for two years, because he refused to be a party to a breach of the provisions of the Amending Land Act, but adhered to the conditions of the lease granted him by the said Commissioner of Lands and Survey; if so, whether he will state the particular circumstances of the case.
4. MR. MACGREGOR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether in regard to the subject of water supply to country districts, it is the intention of the Government to depart from the policy or provisions of the Water Works Act; and if so, to what extent.

General Business.

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1. MR. EVERARD : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House copies of all correspondence in connection with the proposed formation of the Rosedale Road Board, together with the local officer's report on the same subject.
2. MR. FELLOWS : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
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ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business.

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1. MR. HUMFFRAY : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause :—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”
2. MR. HUMFFRAY : To move, *on an early day* :—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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FRAN^d. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH FEBRUARY.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[2.]

Report of Engineer-in-Chief of Railways, and Reply of Chief Engineer of Water Supply on Works constructed by Victorian Water Supply Department. No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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5. **MR. BYRNE:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, When will the rewards recommended by the Board to investigate claims of new gold-fields discoverers be paid, more particularly that to Mr. Walters and party for their valuable discovery near Landsborough.
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5. **MR. MACPHERSON:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all correspondence with the Agent-General of Victoria relating to the Railway Loan; also, all correspondence, papers, and documents relating to the subject of railway extension not yet laid before Parliament.
6. **MR. WILSON:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all the documents and papers connected with the dismissal of M. J. Page Hanify, Clerk of Courts, Ararat.

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 - (2.) The names, nature of service, and salaries, of all Classified Government Officers whose services have been dispensed with from the 1st October, 1868, till the 15th February, 1869, with the length of service of each officer, the amount of his retiring compensation, the cause of his services having been dispensed with, and the number of officers still left in each department who are junior officers to those dismissed; also, the number of supernumeraries retained whilst classified officers are dispensed with.
 - (3.) The number of unclassified persons whose services have been dispensed with by the Government, between the dates before named, and the amount saved to the country thereby; also,
 - (4.) The amount of actual savings effected by retrenchments enumerated in the first and second returns, after deducting all payments made, or yet to be made, for superannuation allowances and compensations for dismissals.
5. MR. MACPHERSON: To move, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 2.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 2.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[3.]

H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh—Message. B.—No. 1.

Report of the Royal Commission appointed to enquire and report on the practice of Paying or Compensating Members of the Legislature, &c., &c.; with Appendices. No. 7.

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5. MR. RIDDELL : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, When the Essendon line of railway will be open for passenger traffic.
6. MR. RUSSELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, If it is intended to confine the surveys for the Western Railway to the proposed routes from Ballarat to Hamilton and from Geelong *via* Camperdown to Hamilton, or whether a survey shall also be made of the country between Meredjith and Beaufort, so that before the route of the Western Railway is decided upon the practicability and expediency of serving the populous mining and agricultural districts of Rokewood, Scarsdale, Smythesdale, Linton's, Carngham, and Beaufort by the proposed railway might be ascertained.
7. MR. BYRNE : To call the attention of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works to the obstructions standing on Beach street, Sandridge, between Bay street and the railway fence.
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10. CAPT. MAC MAHON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, If it is the intention of the Government to make provision on the Estimates for the sum of £2500, already voted by this House, for the erection of a new fence round the Old Cemetery, West Melbourne.

Government Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **FENCING BILL—**Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. RUSSELL:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.

THURSDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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 - (1.) The expenses and receipts of each telegraph station, and also the profit or loss attached to each station.
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1. **MR. HUMFFRAY:** To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH FEBRUARY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 3.

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

Parliament and Ministers Bill.—[13.]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1869.

1. **MR. KERFERD:** To call the attention of the House to the way the revenue is being defrauded on the Border, and ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs, Whether any and what special arrangements exist between the Customs department of Victoria and certain Albury merchants for the passing of certain spirits in bond through Victoria overland into New South Wales; whether it has come to the knowledge of the department that such arrangements have been violated; and if so, by whom and how often, and what penalty were the offenders liable to, and what was the actual penalty inflicted in each case.
2. **MR. McLELLAN:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to a neglect on the part of the Government in not appointing an official agent within the prescribed time, in the place of the late Mr. Carver, in the case of the winding up of the Alabama Gold Mining Company, Ballarat, whereby a small number of gentlemen have been rendered liable for the whole of the liabilities of the shareholders; and to ask whether, in consequence of such neglect on the part of the Government, he will recommend that the above gentlemen be held responsible only for their just share of the debts of the company, and such only as they would have been legally liable for had the neglect not occurred.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed):—

1. **MR. MACGREGOR:** To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a Return shewing—
 - (1.) The annual and total expenditure upon the Board of Agriculture from its establishment to the present time.
 - (2.) The annual and total amount of the aid given to the various farmers' societies during the same period.
 - (3.) The annual and total expenditure of the Model Farm.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—Resolution to be reported.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, 2ND MARCH.

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MEETING
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Wednesday, 24th February, 1869.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—At 3 o'clock.

FRAN. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19TH FEBRUARY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 3.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 4.

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

Victorian Water Supply Department—Return. C.—No. 1.

Married Women's Property Bill.—[12.]

Statistical Summary of Victoria from 1836 to 1867 inclusive.

Statistics of the Colony of Victoria for Year 1867—Part V.—Finance, &c. No. 3.

Statistics of the Colony of Victoria for Year 1867—Part VI.—Vital Statistics, &c. No. 2.

Statistics of the Colony of Victoria for Year 1867—Part VII.—Production. No. 4.

Statistics of the Colony of Victoria for Year 1867—Part VIII.—Religious, Moral, and Intellectual Progress. No. 5.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure of the Government of Victoria—the Year 1869; and Supplementary Estimates for the Year 1868. B.—No. 2. (To Members of both Houses only.)



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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FENCING BILL—Second reading.

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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 26th February.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 3 o'clock.

Tuesday, 2nd March.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

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LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN . MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH FEBRUARY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 3.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 5.

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

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure of the Government of Victoria—the Year 1869; and Supplementary Estimates for the Year 1868. B.—No. 2. (Issue completed.)

Report of Inspector of Asylums on Hospitals for the Insane for the Year 1868. No. 9.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 2ND MARCH, 1869.

1. **MR. HARBISON**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, Whether the law is now in force for preventing the destruction of sparrows, hares, &c.; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a measure for its repeal.
2. **MR. BOWMAN**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, When it is his intention to lay upon the Table of this House the returns relative to the appointment of magistrates.

Government Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the House to the Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the probable silting up of Hobson's Bay, and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether it is the intention of the Government to continue their services.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **COUNTY COURTS**—MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
3. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS**—MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT**—MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
5. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

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1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To move, That the Report of the Royal Commission on Payment of Members presented to both Houses of Parliament by His Excellency's Command, shows that the practice of compensating members of the legislature prevails in almost every country in the world enjoying parliamentary government, and that, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government of Victoria to take immediate measures for obtaining the sanction of Parliament to the establishment of the practice in this colony.
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 - (3.) The number of unclassified persons whose services have been dispensed with by the Government, between the dates before named, and the amount saved to the country thereby; also,
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in futuro terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 4TH MARCH.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HANNA : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all correspondence or contracts (if any) between the Government and the proprietors of the *Geelong Register* regarding printing or advertising, from the 1st January, 1868, to the present date.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause :—

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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 26th February.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 2nd March.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

Wednesday, 3rd March.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN . MURPHY,
Speaker.

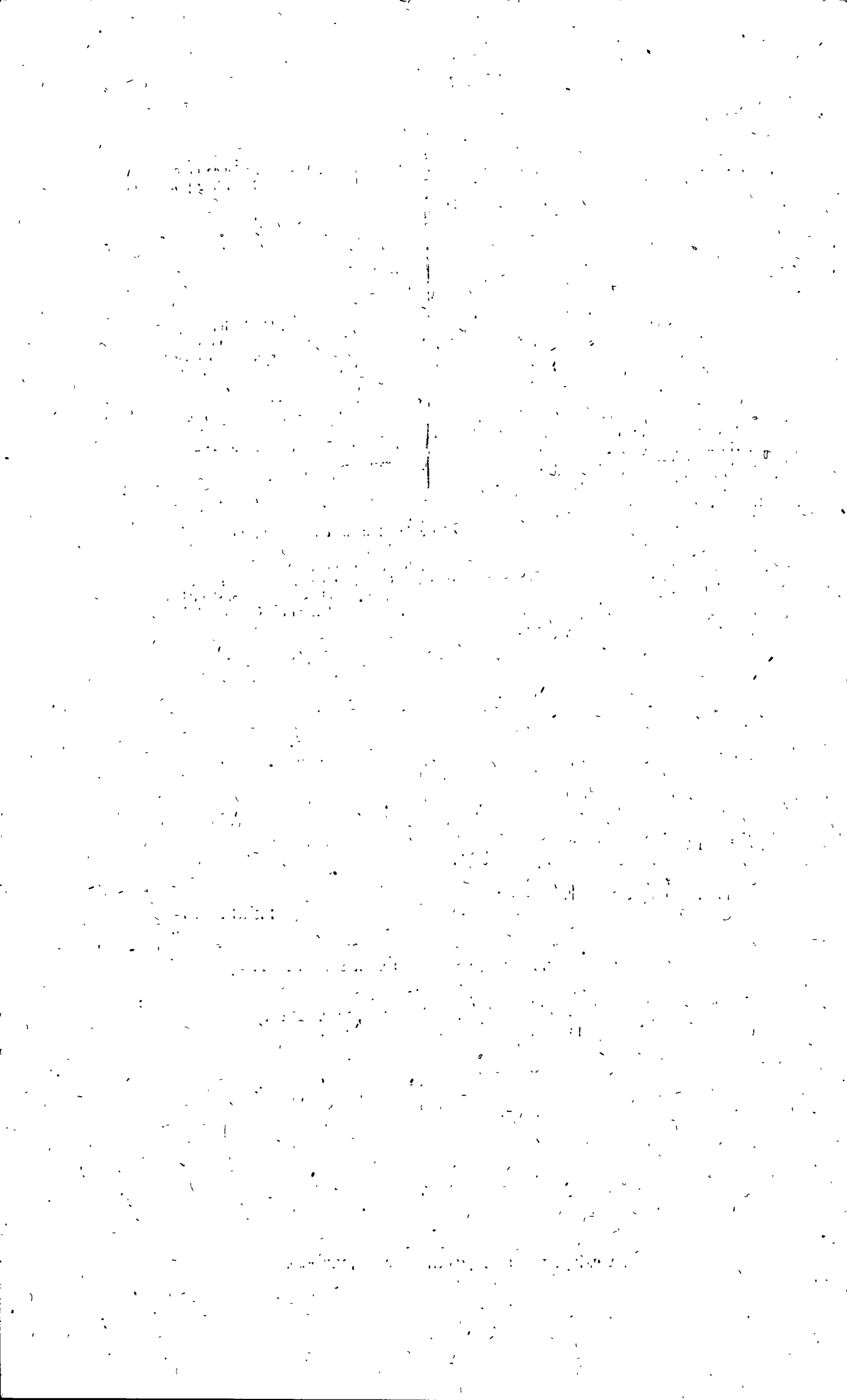
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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[7.]

Mining Surveyors' Reports for Quarter ending 30th September, 1868. No. 1.

Consolidated Fund Bill.—[14.] (To Members of both Houses only).



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1869.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the House to the Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the probable silting up of Hobson's Bay, and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary whether it is the intention of the Government to continue their services.
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5. **MR. WILSON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Acclimatisation Society has received any communication from England with reference to the value of Angora wool; and if so, has the Honorable the Chief Secretary any objection to lay the same on the Table of the House.
6. **MR. BYRNE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that much delay, trouble, and expense are caused to applicants for titles under the *Transfer of Land Statute*, owing to dower rights *prima facie* outstanding, and that the number of wives entitled to dower is very limited in this colony; and to ask, Whether he will introduce a measure to alter the law on the subject.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CASEY** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Abattoirs and the Slaughtering of Cattle.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 4TH MARCH.

General Business.

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TUESDAY, 9TH MARCH.

1. **MR. KERNOT**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to bring in any measure for the immediate or gradual repeal of the 53rd clause of the Constitution Act.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
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MEETINGS
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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 3rd March.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.
LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

Tuesday, 9th March.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

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- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 7.
- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[8.]
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- Order in Council—General Rule for Proceedings before Wardens. A.—No. 3.
- " Appointing Court of Mines for Mining District of Gippsland to be holden at Bairnsdale. A.—No. 4.
- Estimates, 1869; and Supplementary Estimates, 1868—Message. B.—No. 2.
- Silting up of Hobson's Bay—Progress Report. C.—No. 2.
- First Report of Printing Committee. D.—No. 1.
- Order in Council—Mining on Camp Reserve, Rushworth. No. 11.
- " Fees for Surveys of Mining Tenements, Beechworth. No. 12.
- " Gold Mining Leases—Alteration of Regulations. No. 13.
- " Mineral Leases—Alteration of Regulations. No. 14.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY**—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS**—MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
3. **COUNTY COURTS**—MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
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Government Business.

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. BERRY** : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on a Supplementary Estimate for 1869 for the widow and children of the late Mr. Foott.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **ABATTOIRS BILL**—Second reading.

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 4th March.

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Tuesday, 9th March.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH MARCH.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 4.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 8.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1869.

1. MR. KERNOT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to bring in any measure for the immediate or gradual repeal of the 53rd clause of the Constitution Act.
2. MR. DYTE : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, If he intends extending the telegraph to the Ballan and Egerton district.
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 - (1.) The present system of boarding vessels at the Heads by the Health Officer.
 - (2.) The eligibility of the present site for the purposes of quarantine.
 - (3.) The desirability of a medical gentleman, responsible to the government, remaining at the Station during the detention of persons in quarantine.
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6. MR. MASON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government to give compensation to those employés in the Public Service who have lately been dispensed with, but who do not come within the provisions of the Civil Service Act.
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8. MR. BYRNE : To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, If it is his intention to extend the time for closing the country telegraph offices.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INSOLVENCY LAW—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
2. SCAB—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS—Resolutions to be reported.
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WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH.

Private Bill Business.

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Government Business.

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General Business.

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Friday, 5th March.

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Tuesday, 9th March.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH MARCH.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 9.

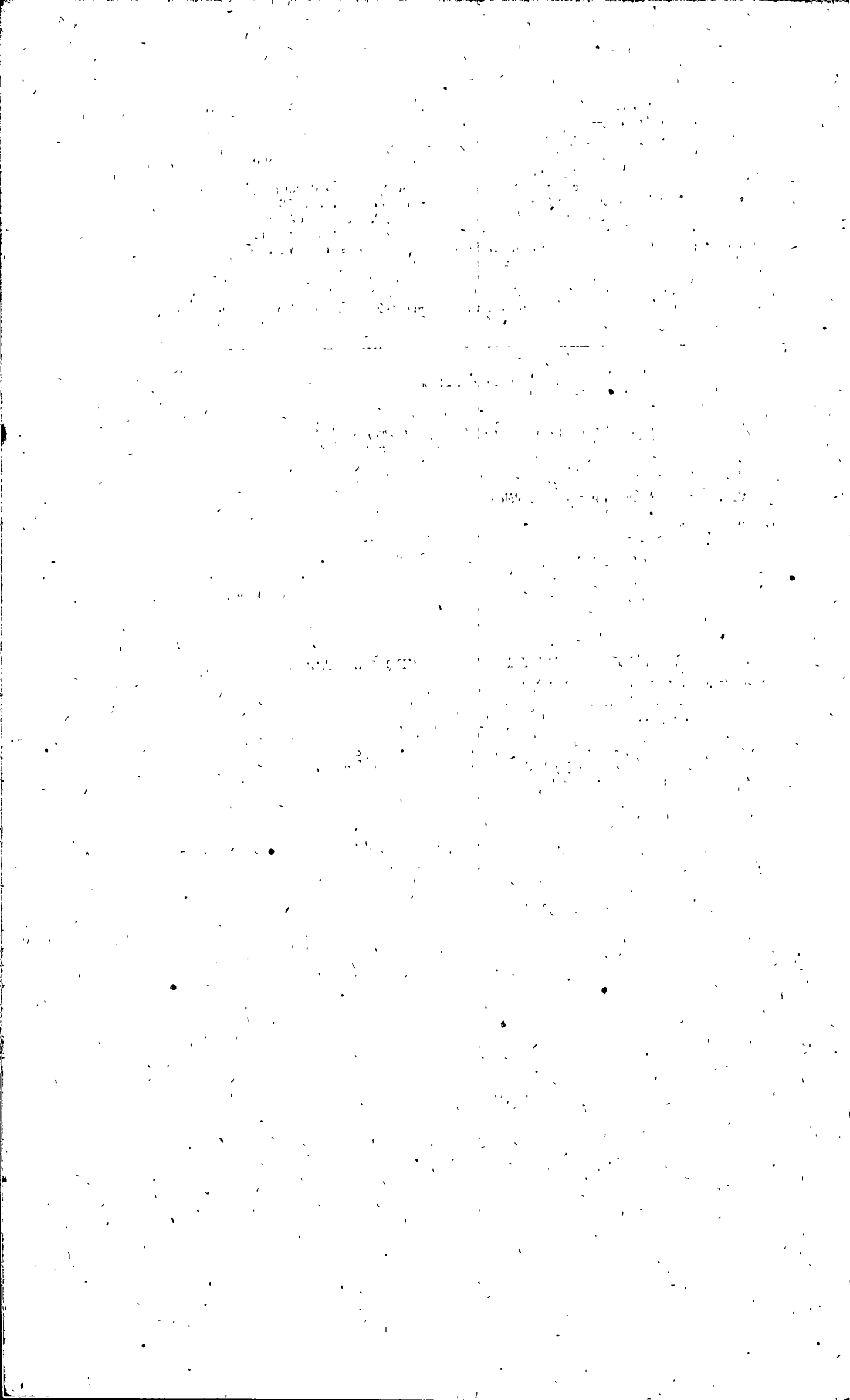
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[10.]

Abattoirs Bill.—[10.]

Boroughs Statute.—[1.] To members of Assembly only.

Shires Statute.—[9.] To members of Assembly only.

The Bank of New South Wales, The Bank of Victoria, and The National Bank of Australasia Extension of Power Bill. (Private.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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Government Business.

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

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 10.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for quarter ended 30th September, 1868.

A.—No. 1.

County Court Laws Amendment—Message. B.—No. 3.

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment—Message. B.—No. 4.

Local Government Act Amendment—Message. B.—No. 5.

Order in Council—Polling Places for Steiglitz Division, Ballarat Mining District. No. 17.

Additional Papers in Connection with Report of Royal Commission Appointed to enquire and report on Paying or Compensating Members of the Legislature. No. 18.

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill.—[1.] (Issue completed.)

Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[9.] (Issue completed.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

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 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 11th March.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

Friday, 12th March.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 16th March.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH MARCH.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 5.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 11.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[12.]
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 16TH MARCH, 1869.

1. **MR. CONNOR**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, At what period of the present Session the Government intend to introduce their Amended Land Bill.
2. **MR. BURROWES**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If he will relieve the Boroughs and Shires of the cost of medical examinations and transit of lunatics until otherwise provided for by the Local Government Act.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. ABATTOIRS BILL—Second reading.
5. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
6. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
7. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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10. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

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1. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor requesting His Excellency to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the despatch forwarded by the Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria, to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies in or about the months of January or February, 1853, recommending that a sum not exceeding £200,000 be advanced out of the unappropriated moiety of the land fund by instalments during the next three years, for the execution of sewerage for Melbourne under the supervision of the Sewerage and Water Commission; and also a copy of the reply (if any) received to such despatch.
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3. **MR. J. T. SMITH**: To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the first report from the Refreshment Rooms Committee.
4. **MR. LANGTON**: To move, That the 165th Standing Order be suspended, with a view to the admission of the representatives of the press to the meetings of the Select Committee on Complaint appointed on Thursday, March 11th, and to the publication of the proceedings of the said committee from day to day.
5. **MR. HANNA**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all correspondence or contract (if any) between the Government and the proprietors of the *Geelong Register* regarding printing or advertising, from the 1st January, 1868, to the present date.
6. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH MARCH.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS**: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. BLAIR**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the defectiveness of the Police Regulations in certain parts of the City of Melbourne, and the remedy for such defectiveness, and that such Committee consist of Mr. Butters, Mr. G. Paton Smith, Mr. Byrne, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Harcourt, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

THURSDAY, 18TH MARCH.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CREWS**: To move, That in the opinion of this House the grounds known as the North Botanical Gardens should be reserved for recreative purposes for Friendly Societies and other public bodies, and that they be placed under trust for that object.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY**: To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—

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MEETINGS

OF

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Friday, 12th March.

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REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH MARCH.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 12.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[13.]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1869.

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY:** To call the Honorable the Chief Secretary's attention to the loss and inconvenience to which the Charitable Institutions are subject by the present uncertain system of paying the Grant in Aid; and to ask whether he will take into consideration, before the grants are voted in the present Estimates, the propriety of annexing a condition to the vote, directing that it may be paid for the future in quarterly instalments at fixed periods.
2. **MR. MACBAIN:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the tenders accepted on the 12th instant for the completion of the Waterworks, and ask what course he proposes to pursue in relation to the same.
3. **MR. BOWMAN:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, if it is his intention to take any action with regard to a member of this House, and at present Minister of the Crown, who was publicly proved to have acted as a dummy for another member of this House, who is also an ex-Minister of the Crown, thereby attempting to evade the Land Act.

ORDER OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. **PRIVILEGE.**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

Private Bill Business.

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THURSDAY, 18TH MARCH.

1. **MR. FARRELL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, When he will call for tenders for the remainder of the works necessary to supply Castlemaine and surrounding districts with water for domestic purposes.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **ABATTOIRS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 6TH APRIL.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 12TH MARCH.

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

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

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First Report from Select (Joint) Committee on Refreshment Rooms. D.—No. 2.

Order in Council—Additional Polling-places, Sandhurst Mining District. No. 16.

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Progress Report of the Technological Commission. No. 22.

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TUESDAY, 6TH APRIL.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

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1. **MR. MCKEAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, no tender should be called for any public work until the specifications, conditions, and contracts be submitted and approved by a competent board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council.
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WEDNESDAY, 7TH MARCH.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 6.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 14.

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

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1869.

1. **MR. LANGTON:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When the accounts of expenditure under the authority of the Constitution Act, during the year 1868, required by that Act to be presented to Parliament within thirty days after the beginning of the session, will be laid on the Table.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 19th March.

COMPLAINT—at 11 o'clock.

Tuesday, 6th April.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH MARCH.

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

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 15.

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

Amending Land Act—Payment of Instalments of Purchase Money.—Return. C.—No. 3.

Appointment of Magistrates.—Return. C.—No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1869.

1. **MR. HANNA** : To ask the Honorable the Acting Commissioner of Railways and Roads, If it is his intention to move for the appointment of a Select Committee of this House to inquire into the allegations made against the Locomotive Department, Victorian Railways.
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4. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, Whether it is the fact, and, if so, under what circumstances it has occurred, that the Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons has been without any clerical assistance for the last three weeks; and, further, whether any correspondence has taken place explanatory of the subject.
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9. **MR. WILSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to an article in the *Age* newspaper of the 6th instant, where it is stated that the Member for South Gippsland (Mr. Macartney), is ineligible (under the provision in the 11th clause of the *Constitution Act*, which relates to ministers of religion) to sit in Parliament, and to ask him, whether in the opinion of the Law Officers, the provision referred to applies to the Member for South Gippsland.
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THURSDAY, 8TH APRIL.

1. **MR. BYRNE** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General; When the retiring compensation will be paid to the widow of the late Mr. Moran, by virtue of his resignation in April, 1867.

TUESDAY, 13TH APRIL.

ORDERS OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—REPORT OF—To be taken into consideration.
2. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE.—Mr. J. S. Butters—To attend in his place.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH APRIL.

General Business.

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MEETING
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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 8th April.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 7.

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Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 3.

Lands Titles Department—Return. C.—No. 5.

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—[8.]

County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—[6.]

Health Officer—Report for the year ending 31st December, 1868. No. 23.

Report from the Select Committee on Complaint; together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.—No. 3. (To Members of both Houses only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 8TH APRIL, 1869.

1. **MR. BYRNE:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, When the retiring compensation will be paid to the widow of the late Mr. Moran, by virtue of his resignation in April, 1867.
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4. **MR. F. L. SMYTH:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, If any steps are being taken to open that part of the country of North Gippsland, lying between the Snowy River and the presumed boundary line of New South Wales.
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NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

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2. **MR. KING:** To move, That there be laid upon the table of this House all correspondence with the Minister of Justice and the Curator of Intestate Estates relating to the working of his department in reference to its reductions.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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2. **MR. CARE:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing:—
 - (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 8TH APRIL.

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

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Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure, &c. A.—No. 7.

Public Works Loan Act 1868—Statement, &c. A.—No. 8.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—REPORT OF—To be taken into consideration.
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Government Business.

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1. ABATTOIRS BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. SCAB BILL—Second reading.
7. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
8. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
9. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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MEETINGS

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PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH APRIL.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 8.
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PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN. MURPHY, Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 9TH APRIL.

- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly, No. 19.
- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[20.]
- Progress Report from Select Committee on Complaint. D.—No. 3.
- Abattoirs Bill.—[10]. As reported 8th April.
- Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 55, for the Years 1866 and 1867. A.—No. 6.

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 20.

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

Precedence—Messagé. B.—No. 8.

Report of General Superintendent of Electric Telegraph, &c., for 1868; with Appendices. No. 19.

Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 55. No. 27.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST APRIL.

1. **MR. HUMFRAY**: To ask the Honorable the Acting Commissioner of Railways and Roads, Whether the Government has any objection to grant free railway passes to Ballarat to fifty members of the Melbourne and Geelong V. R. A., with special accommodation for ordnance, on the 24th May next, in order to celebrate the Anniversary of the Queen's Birthday, on condition that the V. R. A. of Ballarat pay all the local expenses.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS**: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY:** To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
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 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 20th April.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.
 PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH APRIL.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9.
 Abattoirs Bill.—[10]. To Members of Council only.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 21.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[22.]

Report of the Post Office Department for 1868. No. 24.

Further Papers in connection with Report of Royal Commission appointed to enquire and report on the Practice of Paying or Compensating Members of the Legislature. No. 26.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. **MR. KING:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When it is intended to pay the compensation to the Supernumeraries belonging to the Geological Department.
3. **MR. KERFERD:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer, If he is in a position, to give the House any information as to the non-success, in floating the Railway loan, and whether the portion sold will be immediately available.
4. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If the sum of Ten shillings per acre is demanded, in addition to the sum £15, for surveyors' fees, from each applicant for a Gold Mining Lease, prior to the survey or even the issue of the lease.
5. **MR. MCKEAN:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether or not the persons subscribing to the funds of the Association mentioned in the Report of the Complaint Committee are pastoral tenants of the Crown; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to renew their licenses.

ORDERS OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Further consideration of Report—Resumption of debate.
2. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Mr J. S. Butters—To attend in his place.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 22ND APRIL.

1. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that the Supreme Court has granted a rule nisi for an information against Mr. Reid for allowing a nuisance, and to ask under what circumstances it became necessary to move the Court in order to bring such matter to trial.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. McDONNELL**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the letter suspending Mr. Hugh John Chambers from his office of Chief Examiner of Titles, and all subsequent correspondence and papers in relation thereto.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY**: To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”

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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 21st April.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 16TH APRIL.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 9.
Abattoirs Bill.—[10.] (Issue completed.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 22.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 4.

Papers relating to Victorian Water Supply, Nos. 10, 11, and 12.

Small-pox—Additional Report of the Chief Medical Officer. A.—No. 14.

Unappropriated Moiety of Land Fund—Message. B.—No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.*Tuesday, 27th April.*

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
*Speaker.***PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22ND APRIL.**

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 23.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[24.]

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be taken into further consideration for further such bills as are necessary to be passed or having entered into

- 2. Mr. MCKENNA: To move, That in the opinion of the House persons who have been or may be appointed to
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 - (d) The areas assigned for and those granted;
 - (e) The number assigned and resigned respectively, with the grounds for such resignation and the districts in which assigned;
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5. Mr. BARKER: To move, That the members of the House are due to the Government of the colony for
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6. Mr. BLAIR, Mr. E. COLE, Mr. E. T. SWAIN, Mr. HILCOMB and the Motion with power to call for
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS:

- 1. COMMISSIONER GENERAL—Further consideration of Report—Resumption of debate.
- 2. COMMISSIONER GENERAL—Mr. B. BOWMAN—To attend in his place.

ORDERS OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

TUESDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1898

NOTICES OF MOTION AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1869.

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

1. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Mr R. Bowman—To attend in his place.
2. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Further consideration of Report—Resumption of debate.

Government Business.

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1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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 - (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.
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PRINTING—at half past 3 o'clock.

FRANK MURPHY, Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD APRIL

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—25.

Store and Transport Department—Report of Board of Inquiry. A. No. 13.

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Order in Council—Warrenheip and Bungaree Reservoir Site excepted from Mining Operations. No. 28.

Order in Council—Mining authorized on Excepted Land at Castlemaine. No. 30.

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NOTICE OF MOTION AND ORDER OF THE HOUSE

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Government Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY.

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the dangerous increase of leprosy amongst the Chinese in Ballarat East, and to the desirability of immediate action being taken by the Government to establish a Chinese camp, in a remote and isolated position, for the reception of lepers, with a view to the prevention of contagion and the deterioration in value of property in an important and populous part of Ballarat East; and to ask, Whether it is the intention of the Government to make full inquiry into this matter.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 4th May.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 11 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH APRIL.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL - To be further considered in Committee.
2. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL - To be further considered in Committee.
3. INDIAN AND BURMESE SUGAR - To be further considered in Committee.
4. MINISTERS AND SECRETARIES - To be further considered in Committee.
5. SCAR BILL - Second reading.
6. SUPPLY - To be further considered in Committee.
7. FRESHING BILL - Second reading.
8. WILLS AND DEEDS - To be further considered in Committee.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

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2. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Further consideration of Report—Resumption of Debate.

Private Bill-Business.

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Government Business.

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FRANK MURPHY, Speaker.

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Mail Service via Cape of Good Hope—Copy of Correspondence, &c. A.—No. 16.

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THURSDAY 6TH MAY 1958

Mr. Speaker, To let the Honorable the Government (various departments) are to receive the same manner as the Government...

Government Business

Notice of Motion

The Honorable the Government is asked to... the House...

ORDER OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 13TH MAY.

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LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1869.

1. **MR. MCKEAN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether or not the persons subscribing to the funds of the Association mentioned in the Report of the Complaint Committee are pastoral tenants of the Crown; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to renew their licenses.
2. **MR. HUMFRAY**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether it is the intention of the Government to carry out the recommendation of the Select Committee, appointed to report on the plans, &c., for the Coliban Water Scheme, namely, that compensation should be made to Wardle and Co. for the plans supplied by them to the Government.
3. **MR. MACKAY**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether in the election of new Trustees of Local Savings Banks the recommendation of the Commissioners of Savings Bank in favour of the choice falling upon Government officers is to be understood as in any way binding upon those trustees who have to make the selection.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. SCAB BILL—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
7. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. **MR. McDONNELL**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the letter suspending Mr. Hugh John Chambers from his office of Chief Examiner of Titles, and all subsequent correspondence and papers in relation thereto.
2. **MR. HUMFRAY**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an approximate estimate of the cost generally, up to date, of the enquiry instituted by the Government into the manner in which the works for the Coliban Water Scheme have been carried on.
3. **MR. HANNA**: To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February, relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed.
4. **MR. BURROWES**: To move, That the thanks of this House are due to the Volunteers of this colony for their efficiency and general conduct since enrolment.
5. **MR. LONGMORE**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, all papers, reports, and evidence connected with the forfeiture of lot D., area of Woorndo.
6. **MR. CARE**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing:—
 - (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
7. **MR. MCKEAN**: To move, That in the opinion of this House, persons who have declined or neglected to enter into public contracts for which they have been successful tenderers, or having entered into contracts, have not completed the same to the satisfaction of the department, be not allowed in future to tender for any public works.
8. **MR. MCKEAN**: To move, That in the opinion of this House, no tender should be called for any public work until the specifications, conditions, and contracts be submitted and approved by a competent board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council.
9. **MR. E. COPE**: To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz.:—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.

10. MR. WILLIAMS : To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which an uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
11. MR. CREWS : To move, That in the opinion of this House the grounds known as the North Botanical Gardens should be reserved for recreative purposes, for Friendly Societies and other public bodies, and that they be placed under trust for that object.
12. MR. MACPHERSON : To move, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
13. MR. BERRY : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on a Supplementary Estimate for 1869 for the widow and children of the late Mr. Foott.
14. MR. FELLOWS : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
15. MR. HUMFRAY : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House—
 - (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851, to the 1st January, 1869.
 - (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.
16. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
17. MR. EVERARD : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House copies of all correspondence in connection with the proposed formation of the Rosedale Road Board, together with the local officer's report on the same subject.
18. MR. MCKEAN : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the telegraph and post offices about to be closed by the Honorable the Postmaster-General be not closed until a reasonable time after a return on this subject be laid on the Table of this House.
19. MR. MCCAW : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House all the papers and correspondence connected with the contracts numbered respectively 758 and 759, in the year 1862, between Benjamin Armitage and the Department of Roads and Bridges.
20. MR. BLAIR : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the defectiveness of the Police Regulations in certain parts of the City of Melbourne, and the remedy for such defectiveness, and that such Committee consist of Mr. Butters, Mr. G. Paton Smith, Mr. Byrne, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Harcourt, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH MAY.

ORDERS OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. J. ETTERS HANK, J. WINTER, T. RUSSELL, W. S. ANDERSON, R. B. RONALD, W. FENTON, J. WHITE, AND E. ARGYLE—To attend at the Bar of the House.
2. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Further consideration of Report.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FRANCIS : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

THURSDAY, 13TH MAY.

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the dangerous increase of leprosy amongst the Chinese in Ballarat East, and to the desirability of immediate action being taken by the Government to establish a Chinese camp, in a remote and isolated position, for the reception of lepers, with a view to the prevention of contagion and the deterioration in value of property in an important and populous part of Ballarat East; and to ask, Whether it is the intention of the Government to make full inquiry into this matter.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFRAY : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding ^{thirty} years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”

2. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To move, *on an early day*:—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
3. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM:** To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—"On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868."
4. **MR. LONGMORE:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply to consider the Vote for Charitable Institutions, That the Minutes of the Melbourne Hospital Committee and papers relating to the dispensing of drugs laid on the Table of this House show that there is a certain amount of mismanagement in that institution.

MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 7th May.

VICTORIAN WATER SUPPLY—at 2 o'clock.
 PRIVILEGE—at 3 o'clock.

Tuesday, 11th May.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.
 PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 7TH MAY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 11.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 30.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[31.]

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH MAY, 1869.

1. MR. GAVAN DUFFY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether, in selecting a site for the intended Mint, the recommendation of the Royal Commission on Public Offices that such offices should be erected on the reserve adjoining the Treasury will be acted on.
2. MR. LANGTON : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to certain allegations in relation to the administration of his department, made in a newspaper called the *Maryborough Advertiser*, in its issues of April 28th, and May 7th and 10th of this present year, and to ask—
 - (1.) Whether the mining leases referred to were forfeited in the manner alleged in the said newspaper.
 - (2.) Whether the Minister of Mines promised, as alleged, to refer the whole matter to the warden, and to abide by his decision.
 - (3.) Whether the warden, as alleged, decided that the ground ought to be restored to the company.
 - (4.) Whether it is true, as alleged, that other parties, who have not spent one shilling on the ground, have, in spite of the warden's decision, been put in possession of it.
 - (5.) Whether it is true, as alleged, that after the execution of a certain mining lease by the Crown, it was ordered by the Minister to be returned to the Mining department, and "the date of the document put forward, by which means a gift was made to the persons interested of over £100."
3. MR. WHITEMAN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When he proposes to consider the Educational Vote ; and also when the salaries for April to the teachers under the Board of Education will be paid.
4. MR. WHITEMAN : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether the Government has any objection to furnish a return of the distribution of the sum voted last year relative to New Industries.
 - (2.) Whether it is intended to place a sum, for a like purpose on the Supplementary Estimates for the current year.
5. MR. McLELLAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If it is true that Mr. Moriarty, the gentleman who has reported on the Coliban Water Scheme, has sent in a bill for £600 for personal and other expenses.
6. MR. FARRELL : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 - (1.) Whether the Government have in their possession the iron pipes necessary for the reticulation of water for domestic purposes throughout the borough of Castlemaine and surrounding neighborhood.
 - (2.) When it is his intention to call for tenders for laying the pipes for that purpose.

ORDERS OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. J. ETTERSHANK, J. WINTER, T. RUSSELL, W. S. ANDERSON, R. B. RONALD, W. FENTON, J. WHITE, AND E. ARGYLE—To attend at the Bar of the House.
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Government Business.

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8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION—

1. MR. LANGTON : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House the originals of all such papers, documents, and correspondence relating to the forfeiture and re-issue of a mining lease in the Maryborough district as are in the possession of the department, and copies of all such as have been issued from it.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH MAY.

1. MR. HUMFFRAY: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the dangerous increase of leprosy amongst the Chinese in Ballarat East, and to the desirability of immediate action being taken by the Government to establish a Chinese camp, in a remote and isolated position, for the reception of lepers, with a view to the prevention of contagion and the deterioration in value of property in an important and populous part of Ballarat East; and to ask, Whether it is the intention of the Government to make full inquiry into this matter.

TUESDAY, 18TH MAY.

1. MR. MCKEAN: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether or not the persons subscribing to the funds of the Association mentioned in the Report of the Complaint Committee are pastoral tenants of the Crown; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to renew their licenses.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HANNA: To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February, relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed.

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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 12th May.

PRIVILEGE—at half-past 1 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 7TH MAY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 31.

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

Government Printing Office—Progress Reports Nos. 1 and 2 of Board appointed to enquire into and report upon the Management of. Nos. 37 and 38.

Local Government Act Amendment Bill—New clause to be proposed by Mr. Miller and new clause to be proposed by Mr. Williams. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. MR. WHITEMAN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the inconvenience at present felt by parties seeking to obtain warrants, in criminal proceedings, at the City Court, Melbourne, and to ask if some alteration in the present system cannot be effected.
3. MR. MCKENNA: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, Whether there is any and what objection to permitting clerks of Police Courts to act as Commissioners of the Supreme Court for taking Affidavits.
4. MR. DAVIES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If the Government intend to distribute amongst the members of both Houses of Parliament copies of Mr. Brough Smythe's newly published volume entitled "*The Goldfields and Mineral Districts of Victoria*"; and whether it is intended to present copies of this work to each of the Mechanics' Institutes and Public Libraries of the Colony.
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 - (1.) Whether the Government have in their possession the iron pipes necessary for the reticulation of water for domestic purposes throughout the borough of Castlemaine and surrounding neighborhood.
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1. MR. LANGTON: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the originals of all such papers, documents, and correspondence, as are in the possession of the Mining Department, relating to the forfeiture of mining leases Nos. 344, 345, 346, and 352, Mining District of Maryborough, and to the post-dating of a certain lease issued in the same district; and also copies of all such as have been issued from the department in relation to the same subject.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SULLIVAN: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of a main trunk line of railway from Essendon to the Upper Murray at Belvoir.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WAYS AND MEANS—Resolution to be reported.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
3. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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- (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
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10. **MR. WILLIAMS** : To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which an uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
11. **MR. CREWS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the grounds known as the North Botanical Gardens should be reserved for recreative purposes for Friendly Societies and other public bodies, and that they be placed under trust for that object.
12. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To move, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
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14. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
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19. **MR. McCAW** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House all the papers and correspondence connected with the contracts numbered respectively 758 and 759, in the year 1862, between Benjamin Armitage and the Department of Roads and Bridges.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 18TH MAY.

1. **MR. MCKEAN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether or not the persons subscribing to the funds of the Association mentioned in the Report of the Complaint Committee are pastoral tenants of the Crown; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to renew their licenses.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HANNA**: To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February, relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed.
2. **MR. BAYLES**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to recommend the appropriation of a sum of £30,000 for the erection of bridges within the boundaries of Shire Councils.
3. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the subject of railway extension in Victoria, with a view to ascertain the most economical mode of construction, consistent with safety and stability.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH MAY.

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

1. **J. ETTERS HANK, J. WINTER, T. RUSSELL, W. S. ANDERSON, R. B. RONALD, W. FENTON, J. WHITE, AND E. ARGYLE**—To attend at the Bar of the House.
2. **COMPLAINT COMMITTEE**—Further consideration of Report.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. FRANCIS**: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY**: To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause :—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”

2. **MR. HUMFFRAY**: To move, *on an early day* :—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 - (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
3. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM**: To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—“On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868.”
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MEETINGS
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Thursday, 13th May.

PRIVILEGE—at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 19th May.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH MAY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 32.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[33.]

Reports of Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Quarter ending 31st March, 1869. No. 31.

Suggestions for Amendment of Boroughs and Shires Statutes (Bills). (To Members of Assembly only.)

Local Government Act Amendment Bill—Loan Clause and Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Connor. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. **MR. MCKEAN:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether or not the persons subscribing to the funds of the Association mentioned in the Report of the Complaint Committee are pastoral tenants of the Crown; and if so, whether it is the intention of the Government to renew their licenses.
2. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Whether he is prepared to name the day upon which he proposes to introduce the intended Land Bill.
3. **MR. DAVIES:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If the Government intend to distribute amongst the members of both Houses of Parliament copies of Mr. Brough Smythe's newly published volume entitled "*The Goldfields and Mineral Districts of Victoria*"; and whether it is intended to present copies of this work to each of the Mechanics' Institutes and Public Libraries of the Colony.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. SULLIVAN:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of a main trunk line of railway from Essendon to the Upper Murray at Belvoir.
2. **MR. G. P. SMITH:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and simplify the procedure in taking private lands for public purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
2. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **CONSOLIDATED FUND BILL**—Second reading.
4. **COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
7. **SCAB BILL**—Second reading.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH MAY.

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

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2. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE—Further consideration of Report.

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NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.

THURSDAY, 20TH MAY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. MR. McCAW: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of as a gratuity to John Ewart for his bravery in assisting to capture a gang of bushrangers in 1842.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
 “It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”
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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 18th May.

PRIVILEGE—at 2 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

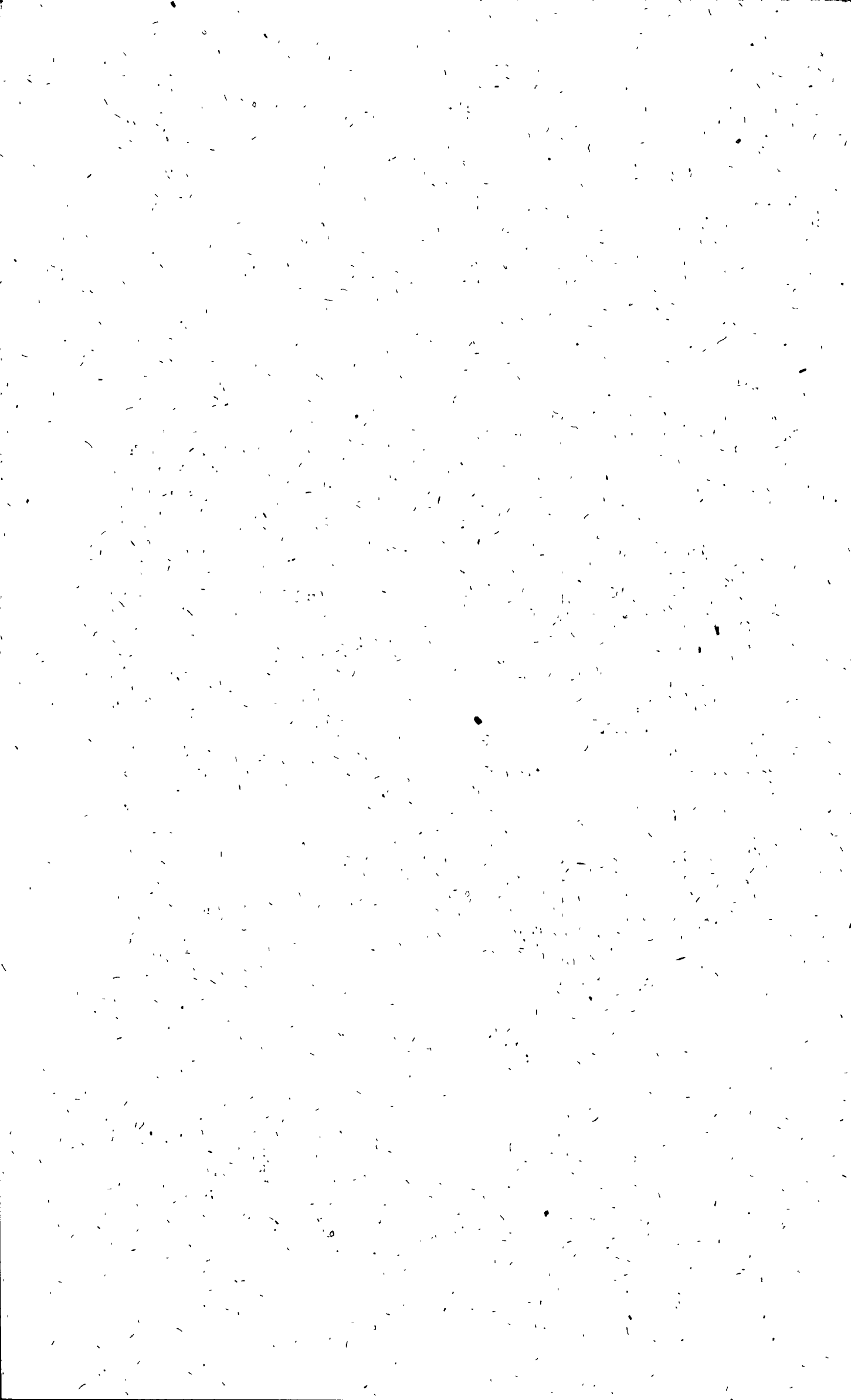
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

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 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[34.]

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH MAY, 1869.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether any of the Civil Servants who have been reduced, and who refund the compensation granted to them, when notified of a vacancy, will be entitled to have the same amount returned to them if the appointment offered should be refused, as not being of sufficient value for the maintenance of their families or adequate to their former salaries.
 - (2.) Whether they are required to refund the six weeks' gratuity given to them for the short notice they received of the loss of their situations.
 - (3.) Whether it is not sufficient for any Civil Servant who has received compensation to refund the same, when notified by the Government of a vacancy, just prior to entering upon the appointment offered.
2. **MR. LANGTON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the recommendation of the Select Committee on Penal Discipline of 1857, in regard to the appointment of prison chaplains, has been departed from, and if so, when the change was made, what was the nature of the change, and whether it was made with the approval of the late Inspector of the Penal Department.
3. **MR. MCKEAN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, How many deaths have been occasioned by the recent introduction of Small-pox into the colony ; and also the amount expended by the Government in consequence of the introduction of that disease.
4. **MR. BYRNE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, What steps (if any) has the Government of Victoria taken in reference to the Government of New South Wales appropriating and disposing of Pentall Island, the station of Messrs. Wood Brothers and Company, in the Crowlands District, near Swan Hill.
5. **MR. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If the Government intend to distribute copies of Mr. Brough Smyth's newly published volume entitled, "*The Goldfields and Mineral Districts of Victoria*," to each of the Mechanics' Institutes and Public Libraries of the Colony.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return regarding the occupation and disposal of every Pastoral Run held under license at the time of the passing of the Land Act of 1860, distinctly setting forth the following particulars :—
 - (1.) Name and then area of run, and the names of the then and present licensees.
 - (2.) The quantity of such run since sold by auction.
 - (3.) The quantity selected under the Land Acts of 1860, 1862, and 1865, respectively.
 - (4.) The quantity disposed of under the 42nd section of the Amending Land Act.
 - (5.) The quantity disposed of under other licenses and leases not before specified.
 - (6.) The quantity disposed of for commonage.
 - (7.) The quantity reserved for any purpose, or otherwise withdrawn, from pastoral occupation.
 - (8.) The quantity of every such run still held under license for pastoral purposes.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY (*To take precedence*) :—

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7. **SCAB BILL**—Second reading.
8. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. KERFERD**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the transfers which have been sanctioned by the Land Department of land taken up under the 42nd Clause, specifying to whom and the acreage of land so held by each.
2. **MR. J. T. SMITH**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Second Report of the Refreshment Rooms Committee.
3. **MR. BAYLES**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to recommend the appropriation of a sum of £30,000 for the erection of bridges within the boundaries of Shire Councils.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 20TH MAY.

1. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General, to the recent destruction of a large number of sheep near Rifle Downs; and to ask under what circumstances such destruction was authorized.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. MCCAW** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of as a gratuity to John Ewart for his bravery in assisting to capture a gang of bushrangers in 1842.
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TUESDAY, 25TH MAY.

1. **MR. GRANT** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Sale and Occupation of Crown Lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **LANDS COMPENSATION BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HANNA** : To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February, relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution; or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”

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- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 34.
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- Consolidated Revenue Bill.—[22.]
- Report from Select Committee upon Victorian Water Supply; with Proceedings of Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.—No. 6.
- Report from the Select Committee on Privilege, with Proceedings of the Committee. D.—No. 7. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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ORDER OF THE DAY

- 1. The Hon. Mr. McArthur's Resignation of Office.—Further consideration of Report.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 20TH MAY, 1869.

1. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General, to the recent destruction of a large number of sheep near Rifle Downs; and to ask under what circumstances such destruction was authorized.
2. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether any of the Civil Servants who have been reduced, and who refund the compensation granted to them, when notified of a vacancy, will be entitled to have the same amount returned to them if the appointment offered should be refused, as not being of sufficient value for the maintenance of their families or adequate to their former salaries.
 - (2.) Whether they are required to refund the six weeks' gratuity given to them for the short notice they received of the loss of their situations.
 - (3.) Whether it is not sufficient for any Civil Servant who has received compensation to refund the same, when notified by the Government of a vacancy, just prior to entering upon the appointment offered.
3. **MR. MCKEAN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, How many deaths have been occasioned by the recent introduction of Small-pox into the colony; and also the amount expended by the Government in consequence of the introduction of that disease.
4. **MR. BYRNE**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, What steps (if any) has the Government of Victoria taken in reference to the Government of New South Wales appropriating and disposing of Pentland Island, the station of Messrs. Wood Brothers and Company, in the Crowlands District, near Swan Hill.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFAY**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the cases in which Selectors under the Amending Land Act have been permitted to subdivide their allotments, specifying the area of the subdivisions and the names of the parties.
2. **MR. KITTO**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers, documents, and correspondence (if any) relating to the revocation of the Order in Council of the 24th of June, 1867, temporarily reserving about 3,700 acres of land in the parishes of Fryers and Elphinstone for the purpose of affording a supply of timber for firewood and mining purposes.
3. **MR. KERFERD**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return showing the transfers which have been sanctioned by the Land Department of land taken up under the 42nd Clause, specifying to whom and the acreage of land so held by each.

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

1. **PRIVILEGE COMMITTEE**—REPORT OF—Resumption of Debate.
2. **J. ETTERS HANK, J. WINTER, T. RUSSELL, W. S. ANDERSON, R. B. RONALD, W. FENTON, J. WHITE, AND E. ARGYLE**—To attend at the Bar of the House.
3. **COMPLAINT COMMITTEE**—Further consideration of Report.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
2. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
3. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.
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6. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
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General Business.

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 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
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 2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.**

TUESDAY, 25TH MAY.

1. **MR. GRANT:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the Sale and Occupation of Crown Lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS:** To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
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Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 12.

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Essendon and Upper Murray Railway Construction Bill.—[24.]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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TUESDAY, 25TH MAY, 1869.

1. **MR. HARCOURT** : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, If it be true that the gentlemen composing the engrossing staff of the Crown Lands Office have had their rate of remuneration reduced fifty per cent. since the beginning of this year, though their average monthly earnings did not exceed £9 10s. for the previous twelve months; and notwithstanding the promise made by the Chief Secretary in his Financial Statement, "that there should be no reduction this year in compensation for the losses the public employes sustained by the dead locks of 1867 and 8."
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 - (1.) Of the number of private houses occupied by the Government in Melbourne for public purposes, and from whom.
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Government Business.

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16. **MR. CREWS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the grounds known as the North Botanical Gardens should be reserved for recreative purposes for Friendly Societies and other public bodies, and that they be placed under trust for that object.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
2. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the subject of railway extension in Victoria, with a view to ascertain the most economical mode of construction, consistent with safety and stability.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—

“It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate.”

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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21st MAY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 12.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 13.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 36.

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

Metropolitan Asylum for the Insane—Report on old Foundations of. A.—No. 17.
Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[9.] (Issue completed.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH MAY, 1869.

1. **MR. HARBISON:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, Whether any Police Magistrate has authority to order a Police Court to be opened for business on a public holiday.
2. **MR. BYRNE:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the great inconvenience and loss caused to the inhabitants of Landsborough and its vicinity, in consequence of the withdrawal of the Receiver and Paymaster from that district; and to ask him, If he will remedy the complaint.
3. **MR. MCKEAN:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Survey, If he will be pleased to inform the House, how many acres of Crown lands are held by the gentlemen connected with the recent bribery fund under the Land Acts of 1862 and 1865, distinguishing the number of acres held by each person; and whether or not the conditions imposed by law with reference to the tenure of such lands have been complied with or not.
4. **MR. BLAIR:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, Whether, as Chairman of the Select Committee on Privilege, he intends to lay on the Table of this House a copy of the form of appeal to the Privy Council recommended by that Committee; and if so, when.
5. **MR. BLAIR:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, Whether it is the intention of the Government to send home to the Privy Council an appeal from the recent decision of the Judges of the Supreme Court in a matter affecting the privileges of this House, in accordance with the resolution passed by the House on Thursday last.
6. **MR. BAYLES:** To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, Whether he has refused to allow compensation to Mr. H. W. Fay, who was discharged from his office of Assistant Teacher at Sunbury.
7. **MR. HARCOURT:** To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, If it be true that the gentlemen composing the engrossing staff of the Crown Lands Office have had their rate of remuneration reduced fifty per cent. since the beginning of this year, though their average monthly earnings did not exceed £9 10s. for the previous twelve months; and notwithstanding the promise made by the Chief Secretary in his Financial Statement, "that there should be no reduction this year in compensation for the losses the public employés sustained by the dead locks of 1867 and 8."

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. RUSSELL:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing—
 - (1.) When the detachment of the 14th Regiment at present in the colony arrived.
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 - (4.) The offences with which they were charged, and the punishment awarded.
2. **MR. DYTE:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the number of surveyors that have been engaged surveying for the various water schemes of the colony, specifying, under various headings, name of surveyor, locality where engaged, amount of cost for such survey, and the result.

Private Bill Business.

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1. **MR. FRANCIS:** To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CASEY:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.*"
2. **MR. CASEY:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Coroners Statute 1865.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **JURY STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT**—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
2. **COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Third reading.
3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
4. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
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1. **MR. MACPHERSON :** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the subject of railway extension in Victoria, with a view to ascertain the most economical mode of construction, consistent with safety and stability.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH MAY.

1. **MR. BLAIR** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government intend to introduce any measure this Session for the repression of bribery and other corrupt practices within this House.
2. **MR. T. COPE** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Roads and Bridges, When it is probable that the first moiety of the grant-in-aid to Shire Councils and Road Boards will be paid to those bodies.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the Second Report of the Refreshment Rooms Committee.

TUESDAY, 1ST JUNE.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CREWS** : To move, That in the opinion of this House the grounds known as the North Botanical Gardens should be reserved for recreative purposes for Friendly Societies and other public bodies, and that they be placed under trust for that object.

TUESDAY, 8TH JUNE.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
 "It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 21st MAY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 13.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 37.

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

Order in Council—Regulations for Mining Officers in the Mining District of Ballarat. No. 34.

Order in Council—Regulations relating to Licenses for Races, Drains, Dams, and Reservoirs. No. 35.

County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—[6.] As reported 19th May.

Lands Compensation Bill.—[23.]

Schedule—Liabilities of Shire Councils and District Road Boards.—(To Members of Assembly only.)

County Courts Bill.—[6.] As amended on consideration of Report, 25th May.—(To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. **MR. T. COPE**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Roads and Bridges, When it is probable that the first moiety of the grant-in-aid to Shire Councils and Road Boards will be paid to those bodies.
3. **MR. BLAIR**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If he is correctly reported in *Hansard* (Session 1864-5, part 2, page 1409), to have stated in a debate involving a question of privilege that, "to apply to the Privy Council would be to give up to a great extent our privileges and our views of the rights we possess."
4. **MR. BLAIR**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to certain circumstances connected with two recent elections in Ballarat West, as showing the urgent necessity of an alteration in the Electoral Act, so as to make provision for the due representation of large minorities; and to ask, if it is the intention of the Government to introduce a measure making such alteration.
5. **MR. McLELLAN**: To ask the Honorable Member for Rodney, Chairman of the Water Works Committee, If it is his intention to bring the Report from that Committee under the notice of the House.
6. **MR. McKEAN**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Survey, If he will be pleased to inform the House, how many acres of Crown land are held by the gentlemen connected with the recent bribery fund under the Land Acts of 1862 and 1865, distinguishing the number of acres held by each person; and whether or not the conditions imposed by law with reference to the tenure of such lands have been complied with or not.

Government Business.

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1. **JURIES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT**—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
2. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 1ST JUNE.

Government Business.**NOTICE OF MOTION—**

1. MR. CASEY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. CORONERS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

General Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION:—**

1. MR. CREWS: To move, That in the opinion of this House the grounds known as the North Botanical Gardens should be reserved for recreative purposes for Friendly Societies and other public bodies, and that they be placed under trust for that object.
2. MR. MCKEAN: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Mining Statute 1865.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

Private Bill Business.**NOTICE OF MOTION:—**

1. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

TUESDAY, 8TH JUNE.

Government Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY:—**

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
"It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."
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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 27th May.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
*Speaker.***PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 27TH MAY.**

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 14.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 38.

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

Scab Bill.—[15.]

Amendments to be proposed in the Local Government Bills. (To Members of Assembly only.)

A Bill to amend the Coroners Statute 1865.—[25.] (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 1ST JUNE, 1869.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION—

1. MR. CASEY: To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
3. LANDS COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.
4. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
5. JURIES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. CORONERS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. SCAB BILL—Second reading.
8. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
9. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM**—To be considered in Committee.
2. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
3. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS** : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. BURROWES** : To move, That this House expresses its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the Volunteers of this colony since their enrolment.

TUESDAY, 8TH JUNE.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 1st June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 10 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH MAY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 14.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 39.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[40.]

Juries Bill—New Clause—(Mr. Macgregor.) To Members of Assembly only.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Assembly

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. Mr. GABRY. To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "The Act to amend the Currency Statute."

ORDER OF THE DAY.

1. Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

2. Justice Statute 1885 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

3. Governor's Statute 1885 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

4. State Bill—Second reading.

5. Revenue Bill—Second reading.

6. Inheritance Law Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

7. Salary—To be further considered in Committee.

8. Ways and Means—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

1. Mr. BURROW. To move that the said House express its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the Government of this colony since their enrolment.

2. Mr. McKENZIE. To move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Money Statute 1885.

3. Mr. LAMBTON. To move that there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the amount received as interest on the balance of the public account for each of the years from 1880 to 1885.

4. Mr. WATKINS. To move that there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the names of officers and stipendiaries appointed with in the General Post Office at the time of the general election and that the same be printed.

5. Mr. LAMBTON. To move that the Order of the Legislative Assembly be amended so that the names of the members of the Assembly be printed in the Table of the House of Representatives.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND JUNE, 1869.

1. **MR. RUSSELL** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If his attention has been directed to the fact that miners are sometimes kept at work underground on election days, for the purpose of keeping them from recording their votes; and to ask, if he proposes to alter the Electoral Act so that the time for polling may be extended to five o'clock in the afternoon.
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3. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government to recoup those warders at Pentridge and elsewhere, whose services were dispensed with when the recent reductions were made, for the outlay they were compelled to make in the purchase of uniforms and requisites.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—**Second reading.
2. **LANDS COMPENSATION BILL—**Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH JUNE.

Government Business.

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1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 2nd June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 28TH MAY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 40.

Weekly Report of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[41.]

Statement of Accounts of the Post Office Savings Bank in Victoria for the Year ended the 31st

December, 1868: No. 29.

Industrial Schools—Report of the Inspector for the Year 1868. No. 32.

Victorian Railways—Correspondence in relation to recent construction and working of Railways in England and elsewhere. No. 41.

Letter of Engineer-in-Chief to Hon. Commissioner of Railways, submitting observations on construction of proposed North-Eastern Railway. No. 42.

Report of Proceedings taken under provisions of Land Act 1862 and Amending Land Act 1865, up to 31st December, 1868. No. 43.

Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.]

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Government Business.

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1. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
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General Business.

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Government Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JUNE.

1. MR. KITTO: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, When he intends to clear the Barker's Creek Reservoir and erect the valve-tower in connection with this work.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

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MEETING

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 3rd June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD JUNE.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 15.
County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—[6]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 41.

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

Insolvency Bill—Amendments and Postponed Clauses. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Boroughs Statute—Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Francis. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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 (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—**To be considered in Committee.
2. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.
3. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH JUNE.

1. **MR. KITTO** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, When he intends to clear the Barker's Creek Reservoir and erect the valve-tower in connection with this work.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS** : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—**Second reading.

TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. McCAW: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of as a gratuity to John Ewart for his bravery in assisting to capture a gang of bushrangers in 1842.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JUNE.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BURROWES: To move, That this House expresses its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the Volunteers of this colony since their enrolment.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause :—

"It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."

2. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, *on an early day* :—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 8th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 15.

County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—[6]. (Issue completed.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 42.

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

Boroughs Statute—New Clause by Mr. Burrowes. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE

1870

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. **MR. KITTO:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, When he intends to clear the Barker's Creek Reservoir and erect the valve-tower in connection with this work.
2. **MR. THOMAS:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, Whether the land advertised for sale at Sandridge has been withdrawn.
3. **MR. KITTO:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, If it is his intention to cause provision to be made in the Shires Bill, now before the Legislative Council, by which Presidents of Shires will take precedence in their own districts, similar to that made in the Municipal Corporations Bill.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether or not, in carrying out the recent reductions in the Civil Service, any officers have been reduced in class; and, if so, whether compensation has been made to them for such reduction, either out of the vote of six weeks' pay for reduced officers, or on the principle laid down in the Civil Service Act, of one month's pay for each year of service, such amount to be computed on the difference between the salary now drawn and that drawn at the time of reduction.
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Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS:** To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. G. P. SMITH:** To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the registration of designs and the better protection of copyright.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. LANDS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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5. CORONERS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
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NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. LONGMORE:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land at Inglewood in 1865, by two men named Crossman and Moog, together with the disallowance of their selections and the revocation of such disallowance; also into the selection of same lots by two men named Kinnear and Hawkins, together with the disallowance, revocation of disallowance, and forfeiture of said selections; such Committee to consist of Mr. Everard, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harbison, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers; and to sit on days on which the House does not sit; three to form a quorum.
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 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
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10. **MR. MCKEAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, persons who have declined or neglected to enter into public contracts for which they have been successful tenderers, or having entered into contracts, have not completed the same to the satisfaction of the department, be not allowed in future to tender for any public works.
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2. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CASEY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WRIXON : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to recommend an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue of a sum not exceeding £ for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate in aid for the improvement of the Harbour at Belfast, and for other purposes.

TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
MEETINGS

OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 9th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 2 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRANK MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 4TH JUNE.

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

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 43.

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

Yan Yean Water Supply—Cash Sheet and Balance Sheet for Year 1868. A.—No. 18.

Chief Medical Officer.—Report on the Sanitary Station during the Year ending 31st December, 1868. No. 25.

Juries Statute 1865 Amendment—Message. B.—No. 10.

Distribution of Her Majesty's Troops—Message. B.—No. 11.

Boroughs Statute—New clause in lieu of 155. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Watkins. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE.

Government Business.**ORDER OF THE DAY :—**

1. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—Second reading.

General Business.**NOTICES OF MOTION :—**

1. **MR. McCAW**: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of as a gratuity to John Ewart for his bravery in assisting to capture a gang of bushrangers in 1842.
2. **MR. LONGMORE**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the value of presents, and when and to whom made, by his Royal Highness Prince Alfred whilst in Victoria, with the view that this House should on some future day resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor praying that a sum of money be placed on an Additional Estimate to recoup the Imperial Government all or so much of the sum of £3,500 as was expended in Victoria by His Royal Highness, in the making of such presents; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blair, Mr. E. Cope, Dr. Macartney, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. McKean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Richardson, Mr. G. P. Smith, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.

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 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Thursday, 10th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday, 15th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 16.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 17.
Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[9.] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 44.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[45.]
Weekly Reports of Divisions—Nos. 6 and 7.
Railway Loan Correspondence—Further Return. C.—No. 6**.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 15TH JUNE, 1869.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the great inconvenience felt by the community at large from the want of telegraphic communication from Wilson's Promontory to Melbourne, and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to provide for this pressing necessity.
2. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Survey to the present condition of the south bank of the Yarra, with regard to the recent buildings erected thereon; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to make some provision for carrying off flood-waters, and providing additional wharfage accommodation on that bank of the river.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CASEY**: To move for leave to bring in a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Lunacy Statute.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—Second reading.
3. **LANDS COMPENSATION BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
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6. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the names of officers and supernumeraries dispensed with in the General Post Office at the time of the general reductions, and of all persons who have since been appointed.
7. **MR. HANNA**: To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February, relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed.
8. **MR. BOWMAN**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers having reference to the application of Paul Joske, as Joske Brothers, and Messrs. Alex. Joske, — Morton, Adam Burnes, and others, for a lease or license of the Mineral Springs at Hepburn, or the ground adjacent thereto, and that in the meantime no lease or license be issued to any party.

9. **MR. BAYLES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to recommend the appropriation of a sum of £30,000 for the erection of bridges within the boundaries of Shire Councils.
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THURSDAY, 17TH JUNE.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WRIXON: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to recommend an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue of a sum not exceeding £5,000 for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate in aid for the improvement of the Harbour at Belfast, and for other purposes.

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 "It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."
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MEETINGS
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Tuesday, 15th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 11TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 17.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 18.

First Report of Printing Committee. D 3.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 45.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[46.]

Progress Report from Select Committee on Railway Extension. D.—No. 8.

Second Progress Report from Select Committee on Railway Extension. D.—No. 9.

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Bates. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH JUNE, 1869.

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines :—
 - (1). Whether it is the intention of the Government to place a sum on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869 to compensate Messrs. Wardle and Co., in accordance with the recommendations of the Select Committee on the Castlemaine and Sandhurst Water Scheme.
 - (2). Similar question to apply to the claims of Mr. J. H. Reilly.
2. **MR. LONGMORE** : To ask the Honorable the President of Lands, Whether he is aware that an allotment of land in the area of Pircana, selected by one Robbie along with one Lanyon, has been sold by auction at Ballarat ; also, whether he is aware that a subdivision of said lot had been arranged for at the time of selection ; and whether he knows who put the improvements on the land, and what the value of such improvements is.
3. **MR. HANNA** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, having in view the report of the Agent-General as to the best means of promoting immigration to this Colony, whether it is the intention of the Government to appoint agents as provided by the ninth clause of the Immigration Act ; if so, whether the full number there provided for shall be appointed, and at what time it is intended they shall enter on their duties.
4. **MR. McCAW** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government, during the present Session, to take any steps to promote immigration ; and if so, what steps.

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 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
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 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—**To be considered in Committee.
2. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.
3. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

THURSDAY, 17TH JUNE.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Postmaster-General to the great inconvenience felt by the community at large from the want of telegraphic communication from Wilson's Promontory to Melbourne, and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to provide for this pressing necessity.
2. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands and Survey to the present condition of the south bank of the Yarra, with regard to the recent buildings erected thereon; and to ask whether it is the intention of the Government to make some provision for carrying off flood-waters, and providing additional wharfage accommodation on that bank of the river.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY—

1. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—**Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to recommend an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue of a sum not exceeding £5,000 for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate in aid for the improvement of the Harbour at Belfast, and for other purposes.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
 "It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."
2. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, *on an early day*:—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
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- 7. **MR. LANGTON:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the "Committee of Public Accounts," for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.

MEETING

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 16th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 18.

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Coroners Statute 1865 Amendment Bill.—[25.] (To Members of Council only.)

Fisheries Act Amendment Bill.—[32.]

County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—Amendment proposed by the Hon. W. Hignett, in Clause 9. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 46.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[47.]

Imperial Troops—Memorandum &c.—No. 20.

Railway Extension to the Western District—Petition—E. No. 2.

Local Government Act—New Clause.—(To Members of Assembly only.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION &c.

Mr. BURTON: To move, that this House express its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the volunteers of this colony since their enrolment.

Mr. LITTO: To move, that this House is of opinion that the works connected with the Barker's Creek Reservoir should be completed forthwith.

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Mr. LANGTON: To move, that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the value of presents and gratifications and when and to whom made, by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh while in Victoria, with the view that this House should on some future day resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a sum of money be placed on an Additional Estimate to equip the Imperial Government all or so much of the sum of £3,500 as was expended in Victoria by His Royal Highness, in the making of such presents and gratifications; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blair, Mr. E. G. Cope, Dr. Macarthur, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. McKean, Mr. McLean, Mr. Richardson, Mr. G. P. Smith, and the Member for the Government, with power to call for persons and papers.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 17TH JUNE, 1869.

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5. **DR. MACARTNEY:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, Whether he will appoint some officer in South Gippsland, who shall conduct at Palmerston the sales of the Crown Lands of that extensive district.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.
2. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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 - 2. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.
 - 3. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

TUESDAY, 22ND JUNE.

- Government Business.**
NOTICE OF MOTION:—
- 1. **MR. CASEY :** To move for leave to bring in a "Bill to amend the Lunacy Statute."

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JUNE.

- Private Bill Business.**
- NOTICE OF MOTION:**
- 1. **MR. FRANCIS :** To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

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Thursday, 17th June.

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Weekly Report of Divisions No. 8.

Public Works—Estimates submitted to Parliament for Public Works, &c. A.—No. 22.

Boroughs Statute—New Clause to follow 333. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—New Clauses. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 1869.

1. MR. WHITEMAN: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, When the Clock at the Post Office will be finished.
2. MR. BYRNE: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, When the returns ordered by this House relative to the Lands Titles Office will be laid upon the Table of this House.
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4. DR. MACARTNEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, Whether he will appoint some officer in South Gippsland, who shall conduct at Palmerston the sales of the Crown Lands of that extensive district.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. CASEY: To move for leave to bring in a "Bill to amend the Lunacy Statute."

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3. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JUNE.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS** : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to recommend an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue of a sum not exceeding £10,000 for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate in aid for the improvement of the Harbour at Belfast, and for other purposes.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause :—
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2. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, *on an early day* :—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
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4. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply to consider the Vote for Charitable Institutions, That the Minutes of the Melbourne Hospital Committee and papers relating to the dispensing of drugs laid on the Table of this House show that there is a certain amount of mismanagement in that institution.
5. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.

6. **MR. BERRY:** To move, *on an early day*, That steps be taken by the Railway department to provide reasonably decent third-class carriages, and run the same on the National railways once at least on each working day to and from each open station, at a fare not exceeding three-half-pence per mile for each adult.
7. **MR. LANGTON:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the "Committee of Public Accounts," for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 22nd June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH JUNE.

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 1.

County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—[6.] As reported 15th June. (To Members of both Houses.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 48.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[49.]

Immigration—Report of the Agent-General and Correspondence on the subject of. A.—No. 21. Amendments to Borough Statute. (By Minister of Justice.) To Members of Assembly only.

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New Clauses. (Proposed by Mr. McCaw.) Re-issue. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—Amendments and New Clauses. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD JUNE, 1869.

1. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To draw the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the want of a lock-up in Rosedale, and the condition in which prisoners are, at present, there confined ; and to ask, if it is the intention of the Chief Secretary to put a sum on an Additional Estimate for this year for the building a proper lock-up in that town.
2. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Whether regulations have been framed under the seventh section of the *Land Act 1865*.
3. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works to the impediments which exist in the neighborhood of the Alexandra Gold Fields to the selection of land, and to ask him if he will take measures to make the arable land of the district immediately available for settlement under the 42nd section of the *Land Act 1865*.
4. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Treasurer to the great hardship experienced by many of the late employés in the Railway Department, in consequence of the delay in paying the compensation money which they believe they are entitled to ; and to ask, whether they will receive the same at an early date.
5. **MR. EVERARD** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands, Whether the forfeiture of McNichol's four allotments is to be revoked.
6. **MR. EVERARD** : To inquire of the Honorable the Postmaster-General, If it be true that British Columbia has been struck out of the Postal Guide, and when the Post Office Department received any notice of a change in American postage rates, and what that change was.
7. **MR. EVERARD** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, By what authority he recognizes the Supreme Court in the case of Glass and Quarterman, in giving instructions for an application for a rule *nisi* to upset the Chief Justice's decision, after the Assembly had refused to give him authority to appear on their behalf in the matter.
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Government Business.

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1. **MR. GRANT** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider Estimates of Works under the *Public Works Loan Act 1868*.

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General Business.

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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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General Business.

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MEETINGS

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 29th June.

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PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

Thursday, 1st July.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.

LIBRARY—at a quarter past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 18TH JUNE.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 20.
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 2.Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 49.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[50.]
Statistics, 1868. Part I.—Population. No. 40.
Municipalities Bill.—Addition to Thirteenth Schedule. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
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11. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the value of presents and gratuities, and when and to whom made, by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh whilst in Victoria, with the view that this House should on some future day resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor praying that a sum of money be placed on an Additional Estimate to recoup the Imperial Government all or so much of the sum of £3,500 as was expended in Victoria by His Royal Highness, in the making of such presents and gratuities; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blair, Mr. E. Cope, Dr. Macartney, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. McKean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Richardson, Mr. G. P. Smith, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
12. **MR. T. COPE** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House all those Petitions which were presented last year to the Commissioner of Railways from residents of Hamilton, Portland and the district, (and bearing upwards of 1000 signatures,) in favor of a cheap line from Portland northwards.
13. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land at Inglewood in 1865, by two men named Crossman and Moog, together with the disallowance of their selections and the revocation of such disallowance; also into the selection of same lots by two men named Kinnear and Hawkins, together with the disallowance, revocation of disallowance, and forfeiture of said selections; such Committee to consist of Mr. Everard, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harbison, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not sit; three to form a quorum.
14. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the amount received as interest on the balance of the public account for each of the years from 1864 to 1868, both inclusive.
15. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the names of officers and supernumeraries dispensed with in the General Post Office at the time of the general reductions, and of all persons who have since been appointed.
16. **MR. HANNA** : To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February, relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed.
17. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers having reference to the application of Paul Joske, as Joske Brothers, and Messrs. Alex. Joske, — Morton, Adam Burnes, and others, for a lease or license of the Mineral Springs at Hepburn, or the ground adjacent thereto, and that in the meantime no lease or license be issued to any party.
18. **MR. BAYLES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to recommend the appropriation of a sum of £30,000 for the erection of bridges within the boundaries of Shire Councils.
19. **MR. DYTE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House the correspondence relating to the services of Mr. Moriarty and the Mining Department.
20. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House an approximate estimate of the cost generally, up to date, of the enquiry instituted by the Government into the manner in which the works for the Coliban Water Scheme have been carried on.
21. **MR. CARE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
 - (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
22. **MR. MCKEAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, persons who have declined or neglected to enter into public contracts for which they have been successful tenderers, or having entered into contracts, have not completed the same to the satisfaction of the department, be not allowed in future to tender for any public works.
23. **MR. MCKEAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, no tender should be called for any public work until the specifications, conditions, and contracts be submitted and approved by a competent board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council.
24. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.

25. **MR. WILLIAMS** : To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which an uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
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27. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
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 (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851, to the 1st January, 1869.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—To be considered in Committee.
2. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
3. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 29TH JUNE.

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PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24TH JUNE.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 20.

County Courts Law Amendment Bill.—[6.] As reported 22nd June. (To Members of Council only.)

Coroners Statute 1865 Amendment Bill.—[25.] As reported 22nd June. (To Members of both Houses.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 50.

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

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. McKean. (To Members of Assembly only.)

A Bill to amend the Lunacy Statute.—[26.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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3. **MR. LANGTON:** To ask the Honorable the President of Lands, When the remainder of the information ordered by this House in relation to the lands in the occupation of the pastoral tenants of the Crown will be laid upon the Table.
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MEETINGS

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Tuesday, 29th June.

RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 2 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH JUNE.

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 3.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 51.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 9.

Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill.—[26.] (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH JUNE, 1869.

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, What quantity of the ten million of acres, reserved by the Land Acts of 1862 and 1865 for agricultural settlement, is still in the possession of the State.
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3. **MR. LONGMORE** : To draw the attention of the Honorable the President of Lands and Survey, to certain disabilities which are labored under by selectors under the 42nd section of The Land Act 1865, in Spring Plains and Edenhope, with reference to impounding.
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3. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
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 PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.
 LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 25TH JUNE.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 21.
 Coroners Statute 1865 Amendment Bill.—[25.] To Members of Council only.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 52.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[53.]
 Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for Quarter ended 31st March, 1869.
 A.—No. 19.
 Railway Loan Act 1868.—Estimate of Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for 1869. A.—No. 23.
 Premises Rented by Government. C.—No. 9.
 Second Report of the Printing Committee. D.—No. 11.
 Fifth Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory; with Annual Reports of the Government Astronomer. No. 44.
 Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—Amendment in First Schedule by Mr. Thomas. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Land Laws Amendment Bill—Amendment proposed by Mr. Connor. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 County Courts Law Amendment Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

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WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
 "It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."
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 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
3. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—"On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868."
4. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply to consider the Vote for Charitable Institutions, That the Minutes of the Melbourne Hospital Committee and papers relating to the dispensing of drugs laid on the Table of this House show that there is a certain amount of mismanagement in that institution.

5. **MR. MACPHERSON:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
6. **MR. BERRY:** To move, *on an early day*, That steps be taken by the Railway department to provide reasonably decent third-class carriages, and run the same on the National railways once at least on each working day to and from each open station, at a fare not exceeding three-half-pence per mile for each adult.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

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RAILWAY EXTENSION—at 11 o'clock.
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 1st JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 21.

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

Seventh Report of the Board of Education—New page to be substituted for page 79 in Paper No. 36, issued on 14th May.

Boroughs Statute—Amendments to be proposed. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1869.

1. **MR. McLELLAN** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to grant any remuneration to Volunteers who have joined the force subsequent to the passing of the Land Act of 1865, and, if so, what is to be the nature of it.
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General Business.

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Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 15TH JULY.

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Abattoirs Bill.—[10.] To Members of Council only.

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Railway Loan Act 1868—Victorian Railways—Statement showing Works, &c. A.—No. 24.

Railway Loan Act 1868—Victorian Railways—An Estimate of Expenditure, &c. A.—No. 25.

Victorian Railways—Further Information, &c. A.—No. 26.

First Report of the (Joint) Library Committee. D.—No. 12.

Privilege—Papers relating to. No. 48.

Victorian Railways—Report of the Board of Land and Works for Year ending 31st December, 1868.
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Boroughs Statute—Amendments to be proposed to follow section 226. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New Clause proposed by Mr. Richardson. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Land Bill—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Crews. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 8TH JULY, 1869.

1. CAPT. MAC MAHON : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, To state the number of acres taken up under the Land Act of 1862 on which the improvements required by the Act have not been effected, and for which Crown grants have been issued.

Government Business.

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13. COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
15. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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15. **MR. CARR:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing:—
 - (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
16. **MR. MCKEAN:** To move, That in the opinion of this House, persons who have declined or neglected to enter into public contracts for which they have been successful tenderers, or having entered into contracts, have not completed the same to the satisfaction of the department, be not allowed in future to tender for any public works.
17. **MR. MCKEAN:** To move, That in the opinion of this House, no tender should be called for any public work until the specifications, conditions, and contracts be submitted and approved by a competent board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council.
18. **MR. E. COPE:** To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz.:—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
19. **MR. WILLIAMS:** To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which an uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
22. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House—
 - (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851, to the 1st January, 1869.
 - (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.
23. **MR. WHITEMAN:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM**—To be considered in Committee.
3. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
4. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 13TH JULY.

1. **MR. CREWS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If in any regulations for future immigration it is the intention of the Government to encourage persons from the German States to settle in the colony.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS** : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[56.]

Coranderrk Aboriginal Station—Return. A.—No. 27.

Shipping Returns—Abstract of a Return. C.—No. 8.

Land Laws Amendment Bill—Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Kernot.—[11.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

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3. **MR. DYTE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to a case tried at the Sandridge Police Court under the *Pawnbrokers Act*, where a party of the name of Cook was fined in four penalties of £5 each for not having his name written on the pawn ticket, or the writing not considered legible; and to ask whether he will order the case to be re-considered, or the fines to be remitted.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. RUSSELL** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a Return showing :—
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Government Business.

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14. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
15. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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MEETINGS

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 23.
Local Government Act Amendment Bill—Amendments proposed by the Hon. J. O'Shanassy. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 56.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[57.]
Mineral Statistics of Victoria for 1868. No. 39.
Mining Operations authorized on Reserved Land at Daylesford—Order in Council. No. 49.
Report of the Government Botanist. No. 21.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1869.

1. MR. CONNOR : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to a recent order of the Commissioner of Police, London, by which the men of the Metropolitan Police were allowed to wear beards and moustaches ; and to enquire if there was any objection to a similar privilege being extended to the Victorian Constabulary, if not, whether he will give the necessary instructions.
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4. MR. MACKAY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If his attention has been directed to the circumstances connected with the death of a man named Luman in the Sandhurst Gaol, and whether proper provision is made in the gaols for the treatment of sick prisoners.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. DAVIES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers, letters, and correspondence referring to the forfeiture of allotments 37 and 38 *a b*, in the parish of Garvoc.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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Government Business.

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1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. SCAB BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CORONERS STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
4. PUBLIC WORKS AND RAILWAY LOAN ACTS 1868—ESTIMATES FOR WORKS, SALARIES, &c.—To be considered in Committee.
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6. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. LANDS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
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11. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
12. ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 15TH JULY.

Government Business.

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Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 24.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 57.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[58.]

Water Schemes—Surveys—Return, &c. C.—No. 11.

Statistics, 1868. Part II.—Accumulation. No. 45.

Friendly Societies—Return of all Societies Registered, &c. No. 52.

Boroughs Statute—Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Report of Select Committee on Railway Extension, with Proceedings of Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.—No. 10. (To Members of both Houses.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 15TH JULY, 1869.

1. MR. BYRNE: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is a fact that the works at the Sandridge Jetty have been stopped for several days past; and, if so, when they will be resumed.
2. MR. BLAIR: To ask, the Honorable the Postmaster-General, Whether it is the intention of the Government to extend the Electric Telegraph line from Stawell to the Reefs, Pleasant Creek, and also to establish a branch Post-office at the latter place.

General Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—**To be taken into consideration.
2. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—**To be considered in Committee.
3. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.
4. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

TUESDAY, 20TH JULY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WATKINS** : To move, That two copies of the Report from the Select Committee on Railway Extension, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices, be presented to each Shire Council, Road Board, and Borough Council in the Colony.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST JULY.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to recommend an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue of a sum not exceeding £10,000 for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate in aid for the improvement of the Harbour at Belfast, and for other purposes.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS** : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
 "It shall be lawful for the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, to grant, without any charge or consideration, any Crown lands, either in fee simple or for any less estate, to any persons as trustees for and on behalf of any hospital, asylum, infirmary, or other charitable institution, or to any municipal council or other elective body corporate, in order that the rents, issues, and profits of such lands may be applied (as the case may be) by such trustees for the support, maintenance, or extension of such hospital, asylum, infirmary, or charitable institution, or by such municipal council or body corporate, is or shall be by law authorized to carry out; and such trustees, municipal council, or body corporate (as the case may be) from time to time may devise any lands so granted to them for any period not exceeding _____ years from the date of such demise, but shall not dispose of any such lands for any greater estate."

2. **MR. HUMFRAY**: To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
3. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM**: To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—"On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868."
4. **MR. LONGMORE**: To move, on going into Committee of Supply to consider the Vote for Charitable Institutions, That the Minutes of the Melbourne Hospital Committee and papers relating to the dispensing of drugs laid on the Table of this House show that there is a certain amount of mismanagement in that institution.
5. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
6. **MR. BERRY**: To move, *on an early day*, That steps be taken by the Railway department to provide reasonably decent third-class carriages, and run the same on the National railways once at least on each working day to and from each open station, at a fare not exceeding three-half-pence per mile for each adult.
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8. **MR. LONGMORE**: To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon certain allegations made against Members of this House of having violated the Land Act 1865, such Committee to be selected by ballot, and have power to sit on days on which the House does not sit, and to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
9. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY**: To move in Committee on the Land Bill, a proviso in the 19th clause, exempting members of the civil service and officers in the employment of shires, road boards, municipalities and joint stock companies from complying with the condition of residence.
10. **MR. EVERARD**: To move in Committee on the Land Bill two new clauses, one for the punishment of dummies and their employers, and another for the taxation of alienated lands.
11. **MR. EVERARD**: To move in Committee on the Land Bill, That all the squatting clauses be struck out.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 24.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 58.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[59.]

Report of Select Committee on Railway Extension; with Proceedings of Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.—No. 10. (Issue completed.)

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Higinbotham.—[6.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 20TH JULY, 1869.

1. **MR. KERNOT** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, When the final report of the Printing Office Commission will be presented to the House, and if any steps have been taken to reduce the general expenditure and more economical working of the establishment.
2. **DR. MACARTNEY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands—
 - (1.) Whether he is aware that the Elisha Smith, whose declaration was laid on the Table on Wednesday last, is an official in the Lands Department.
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4. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—**Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST JULY.

General Business.

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2. **CAPT. MAC MAHON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "*Transfer of Land Statute*."

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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1. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, when the Amending Land Bill is under consideration of the House, the insertion of the following clause:—
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 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16TH JULY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 59.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[60.]

Transfer of Land Statute—Return. C.—No. 10.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 10.

In re Peter Mills—Copy of Declarations, Correspondence, &c., &c. C.—No. 12. (To Members of of both Houses.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST JULY, 1869.

1. **MR. GAYAN DUFFY**: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Whether it is his intention to make the addition to the Glenhope Commons recently asked by a memorial from the neighboring farmers, and whether there is any objection to throwing open for selection the unselected allotments of surveyed land in Glenhope and Spring Plains.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. BLAIR**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House copies of all correspondence having reference to the establishment of a Post and Telegraph Office, and to the proclamation of the streets at the Quartz Reefs, Pleasant Creek.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. G. P. SMITH**: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Crimes and the Practice in Criminal Courts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SCAB BILL**—Consideration of Report.
2. **LANDS COMPENSATION BILL**—Consideration of Report.
3. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
4. **PUBLIC WORKS AND RAILWAY LOAN ACTS 1868**—ESTIMATES FOR WORKS, SALARIES, &c.—To be considered in Committee.
5. **LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—To be committed.
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7. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
9. **JURIES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
10. **COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
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12. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
13. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—Second reading.
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15. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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4. **MR. KERFERD**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the claim of Mr. Morris Lee for compensation for being deprived of artificial oyster beds at Western Port Bay; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Crews, Mr. King, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Dyte, Mr. Cohen, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers, and sit on days the House does not sit.
5. **MR. LANGTON**: To move, That this House having had under its consideration the documents presented to the House by the Minister of Lands on the 14th July, relating to the forfeiture of allotments 37 and 38 *a b*, in the parish of Garvoc, is of opinion that the said documents and the statements made therein should be referred to a Select Committee for enquiry and report; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to have permission to sit on days on which the House does not sit.
6. **MR. JAMES**: To move, That the pictures in the Library be lent to the Ballarat Mechanics' Institute, for their Fine Arts Exhibition, to be held next month, on condition that the committee of the said Institute give a guarantee for their safe return.
7. **MR. HUMFFRAY**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the claims of Messrs. Wardle and Co., and of the claims of Messrs. Reilly and Co., for compensation for the services they rendered in reference to the Coliban Water Scheme; such Committee to consist of Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Kitto, Mr. Davies, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Stutt, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Dyte, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.
8. **MR. CONNOR**: To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of Five hundred pounds be placed on the Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of clearing a track from the township of Birregurra to Louttit Bay.

9. **MR. MACKAY** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to give persons who have bestowed labor upon property a lien for the work for which they have not been paid.
10. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct and character of the gentleman intrusted with the administration of the Land Act in the Ararat district, so far as they relate to the discharge of his duties in that capacity ; and also the circumstances under which he was appointed.
11. **MR. BURROWES** : To move, That this House expresses its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the Volunteers of this colony since their enrolment.
12. **MR. KITTO** : To move, That this House is of opinion that the works connected with the Barker's Creek Reservoir should be completed forthwith.
13. **MR. CARR** : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1869, for the widow and children of the late Judge Brewer.
14. **MR. McCAW** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will be pleased to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of as a gratuity to John Ewart for his bravery in assisting to capture a gang of bushrangers in 1842.
15. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the value of presents and gratuities, and when and to whom made, by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh whilst in Victoria, with the view that this House should on some future day resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor praying that a sum of money be placed on an Additional Estimate to recoup the Imperial Government all or so much of the sum of £3,500 as was expended in Victoria by His Royal Highness, in the making of such presents and gratuities ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Blair, Mr. E. Cope, Dr. Macartney, Mr. Macgregor, Mr. McKean, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Richardson, Mr. G. P. Smith, and the Mover ; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
16. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon all the circumstances connected with the selection of certain land at Inglewood in 1865, by two men named Crossman and Moog, together with the disallowance of their selections and the revocation of such disallowance ; also into the selection of same lots by two men named Kinnear and Hawkins, together with the disallowance, revocation of disallowance, and forfeiture of said selections ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Everard, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Gavan Duffy, Mr. Witt, Mr. Mason, Mr. Harbison, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to sit on days on which the House does not sit ; three to form a quorum.
17. **MR. HANNA** : To move, That a Return to an Order of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th February relative to Returning Officers, and laid upon the Table of this House on the 4th March last, be printed
18. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers having reference to the application of Paul Joske, as Joske Brothers, and Messrs. Alex. Joske, — Morton, Adam Burnes, and others, for a lease or license of the Mineral Springs at Hepburn, or the ground adjacent thereto, and that in the meantime no lease or license be issued to any party.
19. **MR. BAYLES** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting him to recommend the appropriation of a sum of £30,000 for the erection of bridges within the boundaries of Shire Councils.
20. **MR. CARR** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
- (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
21. **MR. McKEAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, persons who have declined or neglected to enter into public contracts for which they have been successful tenderers, or having entered into contracts, have not completed the same to the satisfaction of the department, be not allowed in future to tender for any public works.
22. **MR. McKEAN** : To move, That in the opinion of this House, no tender should be called for any public work until the specifications, conditions, and contracts be submitted and approved by a competent board appointed by His Excellency the Governor in Council.
23. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.

24. **MR. WILLIAMS** : To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which a uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
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26. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
27. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House—
 (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851; to the 1st January, 1869.
 (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY.

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13. **MR. COHEN:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the prayer of the memorialists contained in a memorial presented by him on the 16th instant, in reference to certain contractors, be now taken into consideration.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 16TH JULY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 25.

Local Government Bill—Amendment in Seventh Clause, proposed by Hon. N. Black. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 60.

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

Public-houses Laws Amendment Bill—Message. B.—No. 12.

Allotments 37, 38, *a b*, Garvoc—Return. C.—No. 12. (Issue completed.)

Education Grant—Petition. E.—No. 3.

Erection of a Quartz-crushing Mill on Reserved Lands authorized—Order in Council. No. 53.

Fees of Mining Registrars in the Ballarat Mining District—Order in Council. No. 54.

Scab Bill.—[15.] As reported 15th July. (To Members of both Houses.)

Lands Compensation Bill.—[23.] As reported 15th July. (To Members of both Houses.)

Board of Education—Appendices IV. (3), (4), and V. (1), (2). No. 36.

Land Laws Amendment Bill—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Watkins [13]. Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Everard [14]. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Scab Bill—Bill as re-reported 20th July, 1869.—[15.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 22ND JULY, 1868.

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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. CREWS:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House all papers connected with the dismissal of the poundkeeper at Oakleigh.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

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Government Business.

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Donald Stewart—Petition. E.—No. 4.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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WEDNESDAY, 28TH JULY, 1869.

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 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
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2. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM**—To be considered in Committee.
3. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 29TH JULY.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 23RD JULY.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 27.

Lands Compensation Bill—Amendment proposed by the Hon. R. S. Anderson in the 63rd Clause.
(To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 63.

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

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 11.

Small-pox—Further Report of the Chief Medical Officer. A.—No. 29.

Interest on Public Account—Return. C.—No. 13.

Inhabitants of Wickliffe—Petition. E.—No. 5. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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WEDNESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

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Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 27.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 28.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 64.

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

Inhabitants of Wickliffe—Petition. E.—No. 5. (Issue completed.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1869.

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY** : To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Whether it is his intention to modify the existing regulation fixing the period within which a selector under the 42nd section of the *Land Act* 1865 must fence his land, to make it correspond with the period proposed to be allowed to future selectors under Part II. of the Land Bill now before Parliament.
2. **MR. LANGTON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is a fact that the officers of the Victorian Water Supply Department have not been paid their salaries for the last three months ; and if so, what is the hindrance to such payment, and when is it likely to be removed.
3. **MR. MCKEAN** : To draw the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice to a defect in the 17th section of the Lunacy Statute, owing to which a person found by the Master-in-Lunacy to require curative treatment cannot be legally arrested ; and to ask him if it is his intention at an early date to take the necessary steps to remedy the evil.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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1. **HARBOR AT BELFAST**—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
2. **MR. JOHN EWART**—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 30TH JULY.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 65.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[66.]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 12.

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New clause to be proposed by Mr. Humffray [21]. Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Longmore [22]. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MR. JOHN EWART**—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. KERFERD** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the claim of Mr. Morris Lee for compensation for being deprived of artificial oyster beds at Western Port Bay; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Crews, Mr. King, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Dyte, Mr. Cohen, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers, and sit on days the House does not sit.
2. **CAPT. MAC MAHON** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the "*Transfer of Land Statute.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **HARBOR AT BELFAST**—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.

FRIDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. FARRELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the third and fifth clauses of the statement of expenditure for works proposed to be carried out during the current year by the Board of Land and Works under the *Public Works Loan Act 1868*, and to ask him to what cause it is owing that he has not entered into contracts for the construction of those works.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **PRIVILEGE**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move the following resolutions:—
 - (1.) That the Act for the better maintenance and establishment of Common Schools should be repealed.
 - (2.) That the instruction of all children in reading, writing and arithmetic, should be enforced by law.
 - (3.) That the selection of the school should be left to the uncontrolled discretion of parents and guardians.
 - (4.) That the teacher of the school selected should be entitled to receive, in lieu of salary, a capitation allowance in respect of every child instructed by him up to the legal standard.
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 - (6.) That all moneys appropriated for public instruction should be paid from the Treasury upon the authority claim and certificate usually adopted in the Government departments.
 - (7.) That the property vested in the Board of Education (except such as may have been conveyed to them by trustees) should be transferred to the Crown, and dealt with as other Crown land, and that property derived from trustees should be reconveyed on the original trusts.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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8. **MR. EVERARD**: To move in Committee on the Land Bill two new clauses, one for the punishment of dummies and their employers, and another for the taxation of alienated lands.
9. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM**: To move, That the Land Bill be re-committed, for the purpose of moving that the words "six hundred and forty," in the definition of the term "allotment" in the third clause, and the same words in the eighteenth clause be struck out; with the view of inserting in their place the words "three hundred and twenty."
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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 4th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 1 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 30TH JULY.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 28.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 29.
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 4.
 Lands Compensation Bill—[23.] As reported 3rd August, 1869. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 66.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[67.]
 Finance—Statements of Receipts and Expenditure of Consolidated Revenue, &c. for 1868, with
 Twelfth Annual Report of the Audit Commissioners, &c. A.—No. 28.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1869.

1. **MR. MACGREGOR:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, If a letter was received by the Chairman of the Board of Enquiry into the working of the Government Printing Office (the Honorable the Attorney-General) from Mr. William Gallard, referring to charges made by him respecting that department; and if so, under what circumstances was it that Mr. Gallard's letter was not acknowledged, or an opportunity afforded him of substantiating his charges.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. LANGTON:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amounts paid or due to the Melbourne newspapers for Government and Insolvency Advertisements for the several periods from 1st January, 1868, to 5th May, 1868; from 6th May, 1868, to 11th July, 1868; and from 12th July, 1868, to 31st December, 1868, specifying the amount paid and due on that account to the *Argus*, *Age*, *Herald*, *Telegraph*, and *Evening Star*.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PUBLIC WORKS AND RAILWAY LOAN ACTS 1868—ESTIMATES FOR WORKS, SALARIES, &c.—Resolutions** to be reported.
2. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.**
3. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE AMENDMENT BILL.—Second reading.**
4. **LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—To be committed.**
5. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.**
6. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.**
7. **FENCING BILL—Second reading.**
8. **JURIES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.**
9. **COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.**
10. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT—Message of His Excellency the Governor—To be further considered in Committee.**
11. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.**
12. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.**
13. **SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.**
14. **WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.**

General Business.

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6. **MR. WATKINS:** To move, That two copies of the Report from the Select Committee on Railway Extension, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices, be presented to each Shire Council, Road Board, and Borough Council in the Colony.
7. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the claims of Messrs. Wardle and Co., and of the claims of Messrs. Reilly and Co., for compensation for the services they rendered in reference to the Coliban Water Scheme; such Committee to consist of Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Kitto, Mr. Davies, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Stutt, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Dyte, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.
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1. **MR. FARRELL:** To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the third and fifth clauses of the statement of expenditure for works proposed to be carried out during the current year by the Board of Land and Works under the *Public Works Loan Act 1868*, and to ask him to what cause it is owing that he has not entered into contracts for the construction of those works.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PRIVILEGE—**Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.
2. **MR. JOHN EWART—**Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS:** To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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Thursday, 5th August.

LIBRARY—at half-past 3 o'clock.

Friday, 6th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 12 o'clock.

Tuesday, 10th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 5TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 29.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 30.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 67.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[68.]

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New Clause proposed by Mr. Everard on re-committal of the Bill—

[24.] New Clauses to follow Clause 66—[25.] Schedules. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Victorian and Tasmanian Intercolonial Telegraph Service. No. 59.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1869.

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Government Business.

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1. MR. G. P. SMITH: To move for leave to introduce a Bill to establish Commissions to carry out certain provisions of the Waterworks Statute No. 288.
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2. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Message of His Excellency the Governor—To be considered in Committee.
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9. COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
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1. **PRIVILEGE**—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.
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WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

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THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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 - (1.) That the Act for the better maintenance and establishment of Common Schools should be repealed.
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 - (3.) That the selection of the school should be left to the uncontrolled discretion of parents and guardians.
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 - (5.) That the attainment of the legal standard should be ascertained by an examination before an officer to be appointed for that purpose.
 - (6.) That all moneys appropriated for public instruction should be paid from the Treasury upon the authority claim and certificate usually adopted in the Government departments.
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7. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House—
- (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants, to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851, to the 1st January, 1869.
 - (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY**: To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 6th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 12 o'clock.

Tuesday, 10th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 6TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 30.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 31.
Fisheries Act Amendment Bill.—[32.] As reported 3rd August.
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 5.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 68.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[69.]
Public Works—Yan Yean Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure, &c. A.—No. 30.
Report of the Proceedings of the Council of the University of Melbourne during the year commencing on 1st June, 1868, and terminating on 31st May, 1869. No. 46.
Sixth Report of the Central Board appointed to watch over the interests of the Aborigines in the Colony of Victoria. No. 47.
Transfer of Land Statute Amendment Bill.—[34.] To Members of Assembly only.
Land Laws Amendment Bill.—Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Casey. New Clause to follow Clause 15, to be proposed by Mr. Wrixon. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1869.

1. **MR. FARRELL** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Roads and Bridges to his statement made four months ago, that he had no objection to produce a schedule of the distribution of the sum of £12,000 voted for the erection of bridges within shires, road districts, and boroughs, and to ask him when it will be laid before this House.
2. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government will place the sum of £100 on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, as compensation to the widow of the late Mr. Robertson, contractor.
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1. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That the matter of excluding strangers from being present during the debates in Parliament be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders for their consideration and report.
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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. FARRELL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the following works, part of the Coliban Scheme of Water Supply, as set forth in the statement of proposed expenditure under *The Public Loan Act of 1868*, and sanctioned by this House, should be forthwith constructed—
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1. **TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. **WATER-WORKS COMMISSIONS BILL**—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 11th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 1 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 6TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 31.

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

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 69.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[70.]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 13.

The Agent-General.—Copy of General Instructions, &c. No. 57.

Emigration Commissioners.—Copy of Letter, &c. No. 58.

Government Printer.—Return, &c. C.—No. 14.

Report from Select Committee on Crown Lands Department. D.—No. 13.

Transfer of Land Statute Amendment Bill.—[34.] (Issue completed.)

Lands Compensation Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1869.

1. **MR. LANGTON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, If the method of distributing the Government advertisements among the Melbourne newspapers under which, during the first half of the current year, £730, or nearly two-thirds of the entire sum so spent, was paid to the proprietors of the *Age* and *Herald*, and only £423, or little more than one-third, was paid to the *Argus* and *Telegraph*, is still adopted ; and whether it is the intention of the Government to adhere to it.
2. **MR. BERRY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the position of the Volunteers who have joined the force since the passing of the Land Act of 1865, with the view of ascertaining if it is the intention of the Government to recognise the right of such Volunteers to receive the benefits provided by the 5th section of the Amending Land Act 1865, on completing five years effective service.
3. **MR. MCKEAN** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, Whether or not a Bill to provide for the eradication and prevention of Scab in Sheep, has been prepared and submitted to the Government by His Honor Judge Skinner.
4. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government will place the sum of £100 on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, as compensation to the widow of the late Mr. Robertson, contractor.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **SUPPLY**—Resolutions to be reported.
2. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—Message of His Excellency the Governor—Resolution to be reported.
3. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
4. **LANDS COMPENSATION BILL**—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
5. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
6. **LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—To be committed.
7. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
8. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
9. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
10. **JURIES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
11. **COUNTY COURTS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
12. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT**—Message of His Excellency the Governor—To be further considered in Committee.
13. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
14. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—Second reading.
15. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
16. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move the following resolutions :—
 - (1.) That the Act for the better maintenance and establishment of Common Schools should be repealed.
 - (2.) That the instruction of all children in reading, writing and arithmetic, should be enforced by law.
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3. **MR. HUMFFRAY** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the claims of Messrs. Wardle and Co., and of the claims of Messrs. Reilly and Co., for compensation for the services they rendered in reference to the Coliban Water Scheme ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Kitto, Mr. Davies, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Stutt, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Dyte, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.

4. **MR. CARR :** To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1869, for the widow and children of the late Judge Brewer.
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7. **MR. HUMFRAY :** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House—
 - (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851, to the 1st January, 1869.
 - (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.
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17. **MR. FELLOWS :** To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. MR. JOHN EWART—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
3. BELFAST HARBOR IMPROVEMENT—Resolution to be reported.
4. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—To be considered in Committee.
5. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
6. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. WATER-WORKS COMMISSIONS BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WHITEMAN: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 - (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
2. MR. HIGINBOTHAM: To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093-6s. 8d. for Education—"On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868."
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4. MR. MACPHERSON: To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
5. MR. BERRY: To move, on an early day, That steps be taken by the Railway department to provide reasonably decent third-class carriages, and run the same on the National railways once at least on each working day to and from each open station, at a fare not exceeding three-half-pence per mile for each adult.
6. MR. LANGTON: To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the "Committee of Public Accounts," for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.
7. MR. LONGMORE: To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon certain allegations made against Members of this House of having violated the Land Act 1865, such Committee to be selected by ballot, and have power to sit on days on which the House does not sit, and to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
8. MR. HIGINBOTHAM: To move, That the Land Bill be re-committed, for the purpose of moving that the words "six hundred and forty," in the definition of the term "allotment" in the third clause, and the same words in the eighteenth clause be struck out, with the view of inserting in their place the words "three hundred and twenty."

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MEETING
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Friday, 13th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock.

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Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 32.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 33.
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 6.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 70.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[71.]
 Chief Medical Officer—Return of Diseases, &c. for 1868. No. 56.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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11. MR. HIGINBOTHAM: To move, as an amendment to the Resolutions to be proposed by the Hon. Mr. Fellows, The omission of all the Resolutions except the first, and the insertion after the first of the following:—

(2.) That a National system of religious education is at present rendered impracticable by ecclesiastical rivalry and dissensions, and by the unpatriotic policy pursued by the leading christian sects.

(3.) That the establishment of a Public system of secular instruction, free from the interference of the religious sects, and under the direction of a Minister of the Crown, responsible to Parliament, is urgently demanded by the highest national interests, and calls for the immediate attention of the Legislature.

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“Any person who shall obtain an allotment of land by selection under Part II. of this Act in the unsettled districts, or in any part of the colony where no commonage shall have been proclaimed, shall be allowed to rent, for grazing purposes only, at the yearly rent of eight pence per acre, a quantity of adjoining land, if any, not greater in extent than twice the size of the allotment of which he shall have obtained a license: Provided that the land so rented shall be subject at any time to be leased sold or occupied by virtue of miners' rights, or otherwise disposed of by the Governor in Council.”

MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 13th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 13TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 33.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[72.]

Mining Surveyors' Reports for Quarter ending 30th June, 1869. No. 55.

Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.] As reported 11th August, 1869. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Land Laws Amendment Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. McCulloch, to follow Clause 41—
[26.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1869.

1. **MR. BATES**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Justice, If his attention has been called to a decision lately given by the Police Magistrate at Fitzroy, namely, That the Borough Councils have no power to make "bye-laws" to control dancing saloons or places of amusement in their respective districts; and to ask, if he will insert a clause in the Municipal Corporations Amendment Bill now before the House, giving to Borough Councils that power.
2. **MR. EVERARD**: To ask the Honorable the Postmaster-General, If his attention has been called to the attempt to establish social distinctions in the several classes of the common school at Sale.
3. **MR. F. L. SMYTH**: To draw the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands, To the special report of J. G. Peers, Mining Surveyor, pp. 41 and 42 of the Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars, ending June, 1869; and to ask, If any steps have been taken towards establishing a punt or other efficient mode of crossing the Snowy River, and of causing the track from the Snowy River to the Deddie to be fully marked and surveyed, and also made available for traffic.
4. **MR. LANGTON**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is his intention to introduce, without delay, a Bill to render persons who shall be expelled from Parliament for corrupt practices incapable henceforth of being elected to, or sitting in either House of Parliament.
5. **MR. F. L. SMYTH**: To draw the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice, To the special report of J. G. Peers, mining surveyor, pp. 41 and 42, of the Reports of the Mining Surveyors and Registrars, ending June, 1869; and to ask, if any steps have been taken towards affording police protection and the establishment of a Petty Sessions Court at Bendock, North Gippsland.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. EVERARD**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return showing—
 - (1.) The number of mining leases at present issued for the mining district of Gippsland.
 - (2.) The number in arrears for rent on 1st July, 1869.
 - (3.) The number of said leases in which the labor and machinery covenants have been complied with up to 1st July, 1869.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. FRANCIS**: To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CASEY**: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Protection and Management of the Aboriginal Natives of Victoria.
2. **MR. CASEY**: To move for leave to bring in a Bill for the Incorporation, Regulation, and Winding-up of Mining Companies.
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 - (1.) That it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to the Customs.
 - (2.) That a Bill be brought in for the purpose of carrying out the above resolution.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **WATER SUPPLY—ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE IN RELATION TO**—To be considered in Committee.
2. **PROBATE AND SUCCESSION DUTY**—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
3. **TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT**—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
4. **WATER-WORKS COMMISSIONS BILL**—Second reading.
5. **LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864. AMENDMENT**—Resolutions to be reported.
7. **INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of report.
8. **CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
9. **LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
10. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
11. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
12. **JURIES STATUTE 1865 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
13. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
14. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—Second reading.
15. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
16. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. T. COPE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the Revenue collected at Portland, from all sources, since separation from New South Wales, distinguishing the source from which the revenue is derived and the amount.
2. **MR. FARRELL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the following works, part of the Coliban Scheme of Water Supply, as set forth in the statement of proposed expenditure under *The Public Loan Act of 1868*, and sanctioned by this House, should be forthwith constructed—
 - No. . In schedule 3, completion of main aqueduct line up to the end of the eighteenth mile, including culverts, bridges, weirs, and sluice-gates, with works contingent thereon.
 - No. 5. Forming aqueduct from the eighteenth mile on the main line to the Barker's Creek Reservoir, with branches to Barker's Creek and North Forest Creek, including crossings, culverts, weirs, and sluice-gates, with works contingent thereon.
 - No. 6. Forming aqueduct to South Forest Creek and Fryer's Creek, including all bridges, crossings, weirs, sluices, flumes, &c., with works contingent thereon.
3. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of Five hundred pounds be placed on the Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of clearing a track from the township of Birregurra to Louttit Bay.
4. **MR. MACKAY** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to give persons who have bestowed labor upon property a lien for the work for which they have not been paid.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MR. JOHN EWART**—Motion for Address—Resolution to be reported.
2. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE**—REPORT FROM—To be considered in Committee.
3. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
4. **MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL**—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. BYRNE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands, To the fact that the General Market Reserve in Bay street, Sandridge, granted more than ten years ago for the above purposes, is not occupied up to the present time, and to ask if he will sell it.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
2. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the indiscriminate leasing of newly discovered auriferous lands is calculated to have a depressing and injurious effect on the gold-mining interest of the colony.
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5. **MR. CARE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing:—
 - (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
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 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
6. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz.:—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.

7. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct and character of the gentleman intrusted with the administration of the Land Act in the Ararat district, so far as they relate to the discharge of his duties in that capacity ; and also the circumstances under which he was appointed.
8. **MR. BURROWES** : To move, That this House expresses its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the Volunteers of this colony since their enrolment.
9. **MR. KITTO** : To move, That this House is of opinion that the works connected with the Barker's Creek Reservoir should be completed forthwith.
10. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers having reference to the application of Paul Joske, as Joske Brothers, and Messrs. Alex. Joske, — Morton, Adam Burnes, and others, for a lease or license of the Mineral Springs at Hepburn, or the ground adjacent thereto, and that in the meantime no lease or license be issued to any party.
11. **MR. WILLIAMS** : To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which an uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
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13. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.
14. **MR. BLAIR** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the defectiveness of the Police Regulations in certain parts of the City of Melbourne, and the remedy for such defectiveness, and that such Committee consist of Mr. Butters, Mr. G. Paton Smith, Mr. Byrne, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Harcourt, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

TUESDAY, 24TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move the following resolutions :—
 - (1.) That the Act for the better maintenance and establishment of Common Schools should be repealed.
 - (2.) That the instruction of all children in reading, writing and arithmetic, should be enforced by law.
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 - (4.) That the teacher of the school selected should be entitled to receive, in lieu of salary, a capitation allowance in respect of every child instructed by him up to the legal standard.
 - (5.) That the attainment of the legal standard should be ascertained by an examination before an officer to be appointed for that purpose.
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 - (8.) That a Bill be brought in to repeal the said Act and to give effect to the foregoing resolutions.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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13. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That in the opinion of this House the distribution of the Government advertisements among the Melbourne newspapers, under which during the first half of the current year £730 was paid to the *Age* and *Herald*, and only £423 to the *Argus* and *Telegraph*, is not based on business principles, but is designed to reward certain newspapers out of the public funds for the support they render to the Ministry.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 13TH AUGUST.

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

County Courts Law Amendment Bill—Amendments made by Legislative Council, considered by Legislative Assembly, 12th August, 1869. (To Members of Council only.)

Consolidated Revenue Bill (3).—[39.] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 72.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[73.]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 14.

Land Laws Amendment Bill—Message. B.—No. 13.

Land Laws Amendment Bill—Petition. E.—No. 6.

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—[8.] As reported 12th August.

Juries Statute 1865 Amendment Bill.—[29.]

Criminal Law and Practice Amendment Bill.—[44.]

Land Laws Amendment Bill—New Clauses to be proposed by Mr. Casey.—[32.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Water Supply.—An Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur for the purposes of Water Supply to the Castlemaine and Sandhurst Districts and the Town of Geelong, and to be advanced for the completion of Works of Water Supply to Ballarat during 1869, in lieu of the Estimate which was printed by order of the Legislative Assembly on the 15th March, 1869. A.—No. 31.

Water Supply.—Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for 1868. A.—No. 32.

Water Supply.—Salaries, Wages, and Contingencies for 1869. A.—No. 33.

Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill—New Clauses proposed by Mr. Casey. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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TUESDAY, 24TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PROBATE AND SUCCESSION DUTY—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
2. TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
3. WATER-WORKS COMMISSIONS BILL—Second reading.
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 - (7.) That the property vested in the Board of Education (except such as may have been conveyed to them by trustees) should be transferred to the Crown, and dealt with as other Crown land, and that property derived from trustees should be reconveyed on the original trusts.
 - (8.) That a Bill be brought in to repeal the said Act and to give effect to the foregoing resolutions.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

Private Bill Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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7. MR. LONGMORE: To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon certain allegations made against Members of this House of having violated the Land Act 1865, such Committee to be selected by ballot, and have power to sit on days on which the House does not sit, and to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

8. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, That the Land Bill be re-committed, for the purpose of moving that the words "six hundred and forty," in the definition of the term "allotment" in the third clause, and the same words in the eighteenth clause be struck out, with the view of inserting in their place the words "three hundred and twenty."
9. **MR. COHEN** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the prayer of the memorialists contained in a memorial presented by him on the 16th instant, in reference to certain contractors, be now taken into consideration.
10. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To move, on the consideration of the Report on the Land Laws Amendment Bill that all the words after the word "years" in line 3 of clause 18 be omitted, with a view to insert instead thereof the following words, viz. :—
 "That every selector under this or any previous Act or Acts shall, previous to the obtaining of a grant of his allotment, be entitled to receive a certificate from the Board of Land and Works, in which shall be specified the amount of the rent and survey fees (if any) paid by him ; and that the Board of Land and Works shall, when and so soon as the amount of such rent and survey fees so paid by such selector together amount to the sum of Twenty shillings per acre issue such certificate to such selector previous to the obtaining of such grant, and the amount on foot of said rent and survey fees shall be credited to said selector as against the purchase money which the selector shall be liable to pay for the obtaining of a grant for the allotment in respect of which such rent and survey fees have been paid by such selector."
11. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, as an amendment to the Resolutions to be proposed by the Hon. Mr. Fellows, The omission of all the Resolutions except the first, and the insertion after the first of the following :—
 (2.) That a National system of religious education is at present rendered impracticable by ecclesiastical rivalry and dissensions, and by the unpatriotic policy pursued by the leading christian sects.
 (3.) That the establishment of a Public system of secular instruction, free from the interference of the religious sects, and under the direction of a Minister of the Crown, responsible to Parliament, is urgently demanded by the highest national interests, and calls for the immediate attention of the Legislature.
12. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, on the consideration of the report on the *Land Laws Amendment Bill*, the following new clause :—
 "Any person who shall obtain an allotment of land by selection under Part II. of this Act in the unsettled districts, or in any part of the colony where no commonage shall have been proclaimed, shall be allowed to rent, for grazing purposes only, at the yearly rent of eight pence per acre, a quantity of adjoining land, if any, not greater in extent than twice the size of the allotment of which he shall have obtained a license : Provided that the land so rented shall be subject at any time to be leased sold or occupied by virtue of miners' rights, or otherwise disposed of by the Governor in Council."
13. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That in the opinion of this House the distribution of the Government advertisements among the Melbourne newspapers, under which during the first half of the current year £730 was paid to the *Age* and *Herald*, and only £423 to the *Argus* and *Telegraph*, is not based on business principles, but is designed to reward certain newspapers out of the public funds for the support they render to the Ministry.

MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 19th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 34.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 35.
 Legal Proceedings Facility Bill.—[37.]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 73.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[74.]
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 15.
 Gold Mining Leases—Petition. E.—No. 7.
 Land Bill.—[7.] As re-reported 18th August, 1869. (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Criminal Law and Practice Amendment Bill.—[44.] (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill.—[26.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 24TH AUGUST, 1869.

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Lands, on behalf of the Minister of Public Works, to the repairs being executed to the Sandridge pier ; and to ask, If any provision has been made for the preservation of the piles from the ravages of the marine insects, which have proved so destructive to the timber recently removed.
2. **MR. CREWS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If the report in the *Argus* of the 7th instant, relating to water supply to Brighton, is true ; and if so, will the Government be prepared to supply Camberwell on the same terms, on the inhabitants guaranteeing ten per cent.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. McCULLOCH** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider resolutions for abolishing State Aid to Religion.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
2. CRIMINAL LAW AND PRACTICE AMENDMENT BILL.—Consideration of Report.
3. LUNACY STATUTE AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. INSOLVENCY LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
5. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
6. RAILWAY LOAN APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
7. PROBATE AND SUCCESSION DUTY—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
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13. COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
14. ABORIGINAL NATIVES PROTECTION BILL—Second reading.
15. MINING COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.
16. CUSTOMS LAWS AMENDMENT—Resolutions to be reported.
17. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

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3. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
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WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. BATES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to introduce a comprehensive measure for providing for the support of the infirm and aged poor of the colony.

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THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
2. **MR. KERFERD** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the claim of Mr. Morris Lee for compensation for being deprived of artificial oyster beds at Western Port Bay; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Crews, Mr. King, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Dyte, Mr. Cohen, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers, and sit on days the House does not sit.
3. **MR. CARR** : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1869, for the widow and children of the late Judge Brewer.
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 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Friday, 20th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 35.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 36.
Fisheries Bill.—[32.] ° As reported 18th August. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 74.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[75.]
Railway Loan Appropriation Bill.—[35.] (To Members of Assembly only.)
Public Works Loan Appropriation Bill.—[36.] (To Members of Assembly only.)
Water Works Commissions Bill.—[42.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1869.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST.

1. **MR. CREWS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If the report in the *Argus* of the 7th instant, relating to water supply to Brighton, is true; and if so, will the Government be prepared to supply Camberwell on the same terms, on the inhabitants guaranteeing ten per cent.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humfray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
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6. **MR. LANGTON :** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the “Committee of Public Accounts,” for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure ; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.
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8. **MR. COHEN** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the prayer of the memorialists contained in a memorial presented by him on the 16th instant, in reference to certain contractors, be now taken into consideration.
9. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, as an amendment to the Resolutions to be proposed by the Hon. Mr. Fellows, The omission of all the Resolutions except the first, and the insertion after the first of the following :—
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MEETING
OF
SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 25th August,

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at half-past 1 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 20TH AUGUST.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 36.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 75.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[76.]

Government Advertisements—Return. C.—No. 15.

Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.] As agreed to on consideration of Report, 19th August. (To Members of both Houses.)

Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—[8.] As reported 18th August. (To Members of both Houses.)

Aboriginal Natives Protection Bill.—[30.]

Railway Loan Appropriation Bill.—[35.] (Issue completed.)

Public Works Loan Appropriation Bill.—[36.] (Issue completed.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. McCULLOCH : To move, That on Wednesday, the 8th day of September next, the House be called.

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1. YAN YEAN WATER SUPPLY—Estimates for Works to be considered in Committee.
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1. MR. WATKINS : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary :—
 - (1.) If he is aware that, at present, every available source is employed in obtaining a supply of water into the Yan Yean Reservoir.
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OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 26th August.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 2 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH AUGUST.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 37.
 Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.] (To Members of Council only.)
 The Lunacy Statute Amendment Bill.—[26.] (To Members of Council only.)
 Criminal Law and Practice Amendment Bill.—[44.] (To Members of Council only.)

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 Mining Companies Bill.—[41.]
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 Water-works Commissions Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. G. P. Smith.—[1.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 1869.

1. DR. MACARTNEY : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Justice, To the want of a Police Magistrate, or additional Justices of the Peace in South Gippsland ; and to ask him, When he will make such appointment or appointments as the public convenience there requires.
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 - (1.) Whether, upon examination of the case of John Wilson and William Wilson, he has reversed, or intends to reverse, the decision formerly arrived at, and
 - (2.) Whether he will grant to William Wilson, the petitioner of this House, the land in question, unconditionally.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. CASEY : To move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for collection, by means of stamps, of fees payable in the several courts of law and equity and departments of the public service.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. YAN YEAN WATER SUPPLY—Estimates for Works—Resolution to be reported.
2. PROBATE AND SUCCESSION DUTY—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be further considered in Committee.
3. TRANSFER OF LAND STATUTE AMENDMENT—Resolutions to be reported.
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9. MINING COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.
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11. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
12. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. FELLOWS : To move the following resolutions :—
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4. MR. LONGMORE : To move, That the quorum of the Crown Lands Department Committee be reduced from five to three members.

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20. **MR. BLAIR** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the defectiveness of the Police Regulations in certain parts of the City of Melbourne, and the remedy for such defectiveness, and that such Committee consist of Mr. Butters, Mr. G. Paton Smith, Mr. Byrne, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Harcourt, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.

21. **MR. LANGTON** : To move for leave to introduce a bill to render persons expelled from the Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly for corrupt practices incapable of being elected to or sitting in either House of Parliament.
22. **MR. T. COPE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the Revenue collected at Portland, from all sources, since separation from New South Wales, distinguishing the source from which the revenue is derived and the amount.
23. **MR. FABRELL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the following works, part of the Coliban Scheme of Water Supply, as set forth in the statement of proposed expenditure under *The Public Loan Act of 1868*, and sanctioned by this House, should be forthwith constructed—
 No. . In schedule 3, completion of main aqueduct line up to the end of the eighteenth mile, including culverts, bridges, weirs, and sluice-gates, with works contingent thereon.
 No. 5. Forming aqueduct from the eighteenth mile on the main line to the Barker's Creek Reservoir, with branches to Barker's Creek and North Forest Creek, including crossings, culverts, weirs, and sluice-gates, with works contingent thereon.
 No. 6. Forming aqueduct to South Forest Creek and Fryer's Creek, including all bridges, crossings, weirs, sluices, flumes, &c., with works contingent thereon.
24. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that the sum of Five hundred pounds be placed on the Estimates for 1869, for the purpose of clearing a track from the township of Birregurra to Louttit Bay.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FISHERIES BILL.—Second reading.
2. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—To be considered in Committee.
3. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
4. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER.

1. **MR. WATKINS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary :—
 (1.) If he is aware that, at present, every available source is employed in obtaining a supply of water into the Yan Yean Reservoir.
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 (3.) Also, if he is aware that the water, as supplied to the inhabitants of late, is greatly deteriorated.
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Private Bill Business.

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1. **MR. FRANCIS** : To move, That the Bank of New South Wales, the Bank of Victoria, and the National Bank of Australasia Extension of Powers Bill, be now read a second time.

THURSDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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WEDNESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOUSE TO BE CALLED.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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ORDER OF THE DAY (To take precedence) :—

1. **EDUCATION**.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

Government Business.

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2. **DOWER BILL**—Second reading.
3. **WATER-WORKS COMMISSIONS BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

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1. STAMPS BILL.—Second reading.

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NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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TUESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

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MEETINGS

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Wednesday, 1st September.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at half-past 1 o'clock.

Thursday, 2nd September.

JURIES—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 27TH AUGUST.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 38.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 39.
 Insolvency Law Amendment Bill.—[8.] (To Members of Council only.)
 Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[9.] As reported 25th August. (To Members of both Houses.)
 Aboriginal Natives Protection Bill.—[30.] (To Members of Council only.)
- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 78.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[79.]
 Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 16.
 Bridges within Shires, &c.—Return. A.—No. 34.
 Probate and Succession Duty—Message. B.—No. 14.
 Transfer of Land Statute Amendment—Message. B.—No. 15.
 Government Advertisements—Return. C.—No. 16.
 Grants for Roads and Bridges, South Gippsland—Return. C.—No. 17.
 Copyright Protection Bill.—[27.]
 Wines, Beer, and Spirits Sale Statute 1864 Amendment Bill.—[43.]
 Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—Amended Boundaries of the Borough of Hotham, &c.
 To be proposed by Mr. Burt. (To Members of Assembly only.)
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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THURSDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1869.

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General Business.

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1. EDUCATION.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

Government Business.

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10. **MR. CARE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
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 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
11. **DR. MACARTNEY** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all the papers and correspondence connected with the holding of a Court by Judge Skinner on the late Fast Day, as proclaimed in the *Government Gazette*.
12. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that; in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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Thursday, 2nd September.

JURIES—at 12 o'clock.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 2 o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 39.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 40.

Aboriginal Natives Protection Bill.—[30.] As reported 31st August. (To Members of both Houses.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 79.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[80.]

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 17.

Dower Bill.—[31.] (Issue completed.)

Corrupt Practices Bill.—[53.] (Issue completed.)

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Reeves. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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 - (5.) And whether the land is now ordered to be given to the person who was originally declared a dummy.
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WEDNESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER.

Government Business.

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MEETINGS
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Friday, 3rd September.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock (at Crown Lands Office).

Tuesday, 7th September.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

Wednesday, 8th September.

JURIES—at 12 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 3RD SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 40.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[81.]

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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Government Business.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 3RD SEPTEMBER.

- Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 41.
- Report of Select Committee on Scab Bill; with Proceedings of Committee and Minutes of Evidence, &c. D 4.
- Legal Proceedings Facility Bill—Petition. E 1.
- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 81.
- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[82.]
- Third Report of the Printing Committee. D.—No. 14.
- Waterworks Commissions Bill.—[42.] As reported 1st September.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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

1. EDUCATION.—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

Government Business.

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9. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER.

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General Business.

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Government Business.

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FRAN^d. MURPHY,
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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1. **MR. WATKINS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he has any objection to place on an Additional Estimate for 1869, the sum of £100, as part réimbursement to Frederick Edwards for the loss of money and furniture recently caused by the outrage committed by Thomas Jones *alias* Blue Tom, at the residence of the said Frederick Edwards, near Whittlesea.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :—

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3. **MR. LONGMORE** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply to consider the Vote for Charitable Institutions, That the Minutes of the Melbourne Hospital Committee and papers relating to the dispensing of drugs laid on the Table of this House show that there is a certain amount of mismanagement in that institution.
4. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the plan of distributing grants-in-aid to charitable institutions hitherto adopted is not just and equitable, and that it is desirable that the Government grants should be in proportion to the local subscriptions.
5. **MR. BERRY** : To move, on an early day, That steps be taken by the Railway department to provide reasonably decent third-class carriages, and run the same on the National railways once at least on each working day to and from each open station, at a fare not exceeding three-half-pence per mile for each adult.

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8. **MR. COHEN:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That the prayer of the memorialists contained in a memorial presented by him on the 16th instant, in reference to certain contractors, be now taken into consideration.
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Monday, 20th September.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock (at Crown Lands Office).

Tuesday, 21st September.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 44.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1869.

1. **MR. CREWS**: To ask the Government, When it is intended to commence the Jetty at Mordialloc.
2. **MR. WILLIAMS**: To ask the Honorable the Treasurer, When any funds will be available for payment of claims made under the *Thistles Act* for 1869.
3. **MR. WATKINS**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he has any objection to place on an Additional Estimate for 1869, the sum of £100, as part reimbursement to Frederick Edwards for the loss of money and furniture recently caused by the outrage committed by Thomas Jones *alias* Blue Tom, at the residence of the said Frederick Edwards, near Whittlesea.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. BURROWES**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all correspondence between the Clerk of Courts and others with the Honorable the Minister of Justice relating to the late Balls given in the Town-hall, Sandhurst.

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

1. **EDUCATION**:—Motion respecting—Resumption of debate.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider resolutions for imposing a Probate and Succession Duty.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **ABORIGINAL NATIVES PROTECTION BILL**—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
2. **STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL**—Second reading.
3. **HOUSE TO BE CALLED.**
4. **COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**—Message of His Excellency the Governor to be considered in Committee.
5. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
6. **STAMPS BILL**.—Second reading.
7. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
8. **DOWER BILL**—Second reading.
9. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
10. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
11. **MINING COMPANIES BILL**—Second reading.
12. **CUSTOMS LAWS AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
13. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
14. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
15. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the claims of Messrs. Wardle and Co., and of the claims of Messrs. Reilly and Co., for compensation for the services they rendered in reference to the Coliban Water Scheme; such Committee to consist of Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Kitto, Mr. Davies, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Stutt, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Mackay, Mr. Dyte, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers.
2. **MR. HUMFFRAY**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House—
 - (1.) A tabulated return of the total amount of all money grants to the Charitable Institutions of the Colony of Victoria, from the 1st July, 1851, to the 1st January, 1869.
 - (2.) Also, the area of land granted for similar purposes during the same period.
3. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY**: To move, That in the opinion of this House the Government, if they recommend a dissolution of Parliament under existing circumstances, would counsel an unprecedented and unjustifiable exercise of the Royal Prerogative.
4. **MR. FARRELL**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report on the allegations made by the mover as to the relations which exist between secret sectarian and political societies and members of the Government; also to report as to the influence the existence of such societies have on the civil rights of other religious bodies; such committee to consist of Mr. McCulloch, Mr. Casey, Captain Mac Mahon, Mr. Kitto, Mr. Langton, Mr. MacBain, and the mover; three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers and sit on days the House does not sit.
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6. **MR. KERFERD** : To move, That there be laid on the Table of this House a copy of the Report and papers in connection with an enquiry recently held as to the conduct of some of the officials in the Lunatic Asylum at Beechworth.
7. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the Message of His Excellency the Governor recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate-in-aid for the improvement of the Harbor at Belfast, and for other purposes.
8. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the indiscriminate leasing of newly-discovered auriferous lands is calculated to have a depressing and injurious effect on the gold-mining interest of the colony.
9. **MR. RUSSELL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that copies of Mr. Brough Smyth's work, entitled "The Gold Fields and Mineral Districts of Victoria," should be distributed among the various Mechanics' Institutes and Free Libraries in the colony.
10. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thos. Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto, such Committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. Watkins, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Frazer, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Humffray, and the Mover; three to form a quorum, with power to call for persons and papers.
11. **MR. CARR** : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on an Additional Estimate for 1869, for the widow and children of the late Judge Brewer.
12. **MR. CARR** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing :—
- (1.) The number of mining leases issued since the beginning of 1868, with the names of the applicants and the districts in which situated.
 - (2.) The numbers granted and refused respectively, with the grounds for such refusal.
 - (3.) The areas applied for and those granted.
 - (4.) The period which elapsed between each application and the date of the issue of the lease.
 - (5.) The number of applications which lapsed (with names), and the number of leases cancelled (with names), and for what reasons.
 - (6.) The areas of ground forfeited that have since been proclaimed open for selection.
13. **DR. MACARTNEY** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all the papers and correspondence connected with the holding of a Court by Judge Skinner on the late Fast Day, as proclaimed in the *Government Gazette*.
14. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
15. **MR. MCLELLAN** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the conduct and character of the gentleman intrusted with the administration of the Land Act in the Ararat district, so far as they relate to the discharge of his duties in that capacity; and also the circumstances under which he was appointed.
16. **MR. BURROWES** : To move, That this House expresses its satisfaction with the efficiency and general conduct of the Volunteers of this colony since their enrolment.
17. **MR. KITTO** : To move, That this House is of opinion that the works connected with the Barker's Creek Reservoir should be completed forthwith.
18. **MR. BOWMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers having reference to the application of Paul Joske, as Joske Brothers, and Messrs. Alex. Joske, — Morton, Adam Burnes, and others, for a lease or license of the Mineral Springs at Hepburn, or the ground adjacent thereto, and that in the meantime no lease or license be issued to any party.
19. **MR. WILLIAMS** : To move, That before tenders are called for the construction of the North-Eastern Railway, the Government lay a Report on the Table of this House showing the means by which an uniformity of gauge between that line and the South-Western line of New South Wales may be obtained.
20. **MR. BERRY** : To move, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a sum of £1,000 may be placed on a Supplementary Estimate for 1869 for the widow and children of the late Mr. Foott.
21. **MR. FELLOWS** : To move—
- (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the financial year should in future terminate with the month of June.
 - (2.) That for accomplishing that object the supply already agreed upon shall be granted and appropriated for the service of six months ending on the last day of June next.

22. **MR. BLAIR** : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the causes of the defectiveness of the Police Regulations in certain parts of the City of Melbourne, and the remedy for such defectiveness, and that such Committee consist of Mr. Butters, Mr. G. Paton Smith, Mr. Byrne, Mr. E. Cope, Mr. F. L. Smyth, Mr. Harcourt, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, three to form a quorum.
23. **MR. T. COPE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the Revenue collected at Portland, from all sources, since separation from New South Wales, distinguishing the source from which the revenue is derived and the amount.
24. **MR. FARRELL** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the following works, part of the Coliban Scheme of Water Supply, as set forth in the statement of proposed expenditure under *The Public Loan Act of 1868*, and sanctioned by this House, should be forthwith constructed—
 No. 1. In schedule 3, completion of main aqueduct line up to the end of the eighteenth mile, including culverts, bridges, weirs, and sluice-gates, with works contingent thereon.
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 17TH SEPTEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 45.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 46.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly Nos. 87 and 88.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[89.]
 Yan Yean Water Supply—Report, &c. A.—No. 36.
 Board of Agriculture—Return. C.—No. 18.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1869.

1. **MR. BAYLES**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, To instruct Lieut. Stanley, R.N., to make a survey of the Harbors of Belfast and Warrnambool, and report which of the Western Harbors, viz., Portland, Belfast, or Warrnambool, is most eligible for constructing a harbor of refuge, and which can be carried out at the least cost.
2. **MR. BLAIR**: To ask the Member representing the Commissioner of Public Works, Whether it is the intention of the Government to give order for the immediate erection of the Post and Telegraph Office, and the other local works required at the Quartz Reefs, Pleasant Creek, which works the previous Government promised (but failed) to execute.
3. **MR. CONNOR**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, What action (if any) the Government intend to take in reference to the proposed Railway through the Western District from Geelong to Hamilton.
4. **MR. BOWMAN**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, If it is a fact that a lease of certain lands adjoining the mineral springs at Hepburn has been granted to Mr. Alexander Joske, Mr. Morton, and others, after a distinct promise having been given by the Ex-Minister of Lands and Ex-Chief Secretary that no lease would be granted to any one until Mr. Paul Joske's claim was fully enquired into by a Board or Commission, neither of which has been appointed.
5. **MR. GRANT**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government will propose the Land Bill, now before the Legislative Council, as a Government measure, and support its provisions.
6. **MR. LANGTON**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When a Return to an Order of this House of the 5th of August last, relating to the distribution of Government advertisements; will be laid upon the Table.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. FELLOWS**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return in the subjoined Form, specifying the number of persons committed or held to bail for trial; the number against whom informations were not filed, and the name of the Crown Prosecutor at the place to which such persons were committed or held to bail :—

Names of Crown Prosecutors.	1860.		1861.		1862.		1863.		1864.		1865.		1866.		1867.		1868.	
	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.	Tried.	Not Tried.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That on Wednesday, 27th October instant, the House be called.
2. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That Mr. J. T. Smith and Dr. Macartney be members of the Refreshment Rooms Committee.
3. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That Mr. Cohen, Mr. Wilson, and Mr. Richardson be members of the Printing Committee.
4. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That Mr. McDonnell and Mr. Gavan Duffy be members of the Library Committee.
5. **MR. MACPHERSON**: To move, That Mr. McKean and Mr. Longmore be members of the Crown Lands Department Committee.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **ABORIGINAL NATIVES PROTECTION BILL**—Amendments of Legislative Council to be taken into consideration.
2. **COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**—Resolutions to be reported.
3. **COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL**—Third reading.
4. **STAMPS BILL**—Second reading.
5. **DOWER BILL**—Second reading.
6. **FENCING BILL**—Second reading.
7. **ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL**—Second reading.
8. **MINING COMPANIES BILL**—Second reading.
9. **MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.
10. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
11. **WAYS AND MEANS**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. EVERARD : To move, That the Return relating to Pastoral Occupation, laid on the Table of the Assembly on the 8th of June last, be printed.
2. MR. WITT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House the Report on the subject of Railway Construction, addressed by the Engineer-in-Chief to the Honorable J. F. Sullivan, on the 2nd August last.
3. MR. CASEY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the eight hours' system.
4. MR. KERFERD : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the claim of Mr. Morris Lee for compensation for being deprived of artificial oyster beds at Western Port Bay ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Crews, Mr. King, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Dyte, Mr. Cohen, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers, and sit on days the House does not sit.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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3. FISHERIES BILL.—Second reading.
4. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—REPORT FROM—To be considered in Committee.
5. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

1. MR. KITTO : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) If sundry correspondence has been received at the Treasury relative to the unequal share of Government subsidy received from time to time by the Committee of the Castlemaine Benevolent Asylum towards its maintenance.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend that a sum of not less than One thousand pounds (£1000) be placed on an Additional Estimate for the present year for the support of that Institution.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KITTO : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Petition sent to the Mining Department by a Mr. Hutchinson, claiming reward as the discoverer of the Yandoit and Glengower Gold-fields.

TUESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. FELLOWS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that one of the Crown Prosecutors has had Chambers provided for him in the Police Office in Melbourne. and to ask, Whether he will put an end to that arrangement.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. E. COPE : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
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WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

1. **MR. WATKINS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he has any objection to place on an Additional Estimate for 1869, the sum of £100, as part reimbursement to Frederick Edwards for the loss of money and furniture recently caused by the outrage committed by Thomas Jones *alias* Blue Tom, at the residence of the said Frederick Edwards, near Whittlesea.

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Waterworks Commissions Bill.—[42.]

Mining Companies Act 1864 Amendment Bill.—[55.]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 89.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[90.]

Bank Liabilities and Assets. A.—No. 35.

H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh—Message. B.—No. 20.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1869.

1. MR. KITTO: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) If sundry correspondence has been received at the Treasury relative to the unequal share of Government subsidy received from time to time by the Committee of the Castlemaine Benevolent Asylum towards its maintenance.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend that a sum of not less than One thousand pounds (£1000) be placed on an Additional Estimate for the present year for the support of that Institution.
2. MR. MCCAW: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government during the present session to introduce a Bill to abolish the Board of Agriculture.
3. MR. HIGINBOTHAM: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to a report in the English newspapers which arrived by the last mail, relative to a proposed conference in London in the early part of next year on the relations subsisting between Her Majesty's Imperial Government and Her Majesty's Government in colonies possessing responsible government; and to inquire whether any communication on the subject has been received by the Government from the Agent-General for Victoria, or from any other person, and whether there is any objection to laying such communication on the Table of the House.
4. MR. BAYLES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, When the subsidy voted will be payable to the Shire Councils and Road Boards.
5. MR. BUTTERS: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether it is his intention to take steps to reduce the rental now paid on mining leases; and whether, in the present depressed state of mining, the Government will relinquish the current rent on all progressive mines pending fresh legislation on the subject.
6. MR. WALSH: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, If it is, his intention to reduce the scale of Suitsors' Fees at present payable under the new County Courts Statute.
7. MR. LANGTON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether senior constable Buckmaster has been removed from the position of Clerk of Petty Sessions at Wahgunyah; whether any complaint had ever been made of the manner in which he performed the functions of that office; whether he has been reduced in rank in the Police Force; and whether such reduction was made by the Commissioner of Police on his own motion, or whether the reduction was made under the direction of the political head of the department.
8. DR. MACARTNEY: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, When he will direct the promised survey of the railway line from South to North Gippsland to be made.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. MR. KERFERD: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) What stations or lands (if any) are held or have been held since 1st January, 1860, by James McCulloch—
 - Either (a) In his own name;
 - (b) The name of any person with whom he may be connected;
 - (c) The name of any business firm; or
 - (d) The name of any person or persons for whom he may be agent
 - (2.) The name of each station or portion of land, its locality, its character, its area, its water frontage, and its rental per annum.
 - (3.) The area of the reservations attached to each station (if any), for what purpose so reserved, and the annual rent value of each.
 - (4.) The degree of proximity to any proposed public works or railway of any station, reservation, or portion of land.
2. MR. BOWMAN: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House all papers having reference to the application of Paul Joske, as Joske Brothers and Messrs. Alex. Joske, Mr. Morton, and others, for a lease or license of the mineral spring at Hepburn or the ground adjacent thereto.

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

1. WINES-BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COPYRIGHT PROTECTION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STAMPS BILL.—Second reading.
3. DOWER BILL.—Second reading.
4. FENCING BILL.—Second reading.
5. ESSENDON AND UPPER MURRAY RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Consideration of Report.
6. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
7. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
8. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KITTO : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Petition sent to the Mining Department by a Mr. Hutchinson, claiming reward as the discoverer of the Yandoit and Glengower Gold-fields.
2. MR. MACKAY ; To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return, showing the names of all persons who have been imprisoned in Her Majesty's Gaol at Sandhurst on the charge of Vagrancy during the last twelve months, with the date of commitment and the term of imprisonment, whether with or without hard labor, if charged on information or complaint, if summoned or apprehended on warrant, and who were the convicting justices.
3. MR. CASEY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to legalize the eight hours' system.
4. MR. KERFERD : To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the claim of Mr. Morris Lee for compensation for being deprived of artificial oyster beds at Western Port Bay ; such Committee to consist of Mr. Grant, Mr. Crews, Mr. King, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Dyte, Mr. Cohen, and the Mover, three to form a quorum, and to have power to call for persons and papers, and sit on days the House does not sit.
5. MR. WRIXON : To move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the Message of His Excellency the Governor recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate-in-aid for the improvement of the Harbor at Belfast, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CORRUPT PRACTICES BILL.—Second reading.
2. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE—Resolution to be reported.
3. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER.

1. MR. FELLOWS : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that one of the Crown Prosecutors has had Chambers provided for him in the Police Office in Melbourne, and to ask, Whether he will put an end to that arrangement.
2. MR. HUMFRAY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether he will give his attention to the notice of motion in relation to the reduction of mining leases from £1 to 5s. for gold mining leases, and for ordinary mining leases from 2s. to 1s. per acre per annum, in each case.
3. MR. DYTE : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the decision given in the Supreme Court, as reported in the *Argus*, September 27, affecting the validity of mining leases ; and to ask, whether he proposes taking any action to protect leaseholders.
4. MR. MACKAY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether the request of the Sandhurst Mining Board, to the effect that the Bendigo Water Works Company should be required to replace the bridges over the drains, removed by them to the great inconvenience of the public, has been attended to.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. MINING COMPANIES BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. E. COPE : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
2. MR. MACKAY : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to give persons who have bestowed labor upon property a lien for the work for which they have not been paid.
3. MR. CONNOR : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the issue of Debentures under the Railway Loan Act 1868 ought to be limited to a sum not exceeding £1,491,200 (One million four hundred and ninety-one thousand two hundred pounds sterling), and that a Bill be brought in for that purpose.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. FISHERIES BILL—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOUSE TO BE CALLED.

THURSDAY, 28TH OCTOBER.

1. **MR. WATKINS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he has any objection to place on an Additional Estimate for 1869, the sum of £100, as part reimbursement to Frederick Edwards for the loss of money and furniture recently caused by the outrage committed by Thomas Jones *alias* Blue Tom, at the residence of the said Frederick Edwards, near Whittlesea.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

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 - (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
2. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—“On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868.”
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4. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the “Committee of Public Accounts,” for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.
5. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That in the opinion of this House the distribution of the Government advertisements among the Melbourne newspapers, under which during the first half of the current year £730 was paid to the *Age* and *Herald*, and only £423 to the *Argus* and *Telegraph*, is not based on business principles, but is designed to reward certain newspapers out of the public funds for the support they render to the Ministry.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 47.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 48.
Customs Laws Amendment Bill.—[50.]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 90.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[91.]
Statistics, 1868. Part V.—Law, Crime, &c. No. 67.
Statistics, 1868. Part VI.—Vital Statistics, &c. No. 70.
Essendon and Upper Murray Railway Construction Bill.—[24.] As reported 20th October. (To Members of Assembly only).
Copyright Protection Bill.—New Clause by Mr. McDonnell, to stand as Clause 57. (To Members of Assembly only).



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 26TH OCTOBER, 1869.

1. **MR. FELLOWS** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the fact that one of the Crown Prosecutors has had Chambers provided for him in the Police Office in Melbourne, and to ask, Whether he will put an end to that arrangement.
2. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether he will give his attention to the notice of motion in relation to the reduction of mining leases from £1 to 5s. for gold mining leases, and for ordinary mining leases from 2s. to 1s. per acre per annum, in each case.
3. **MR. DYTE** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines, to the decision given in the Supreme Court, as reported in the *Argus*, September 27, affecting the validity of mining leases; and to ask, whether he proposes taking any action to protect leaseholders.
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6. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines to the necessity for a reduction of the Mining Leases Fees, and to ask whether the Government will fix an early day to allow the matter to be brought before the Assembly.
7. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government will immediately enquire into the propriety of placing a sufficient sum of money on an Additional Estimate for 1869 to avert a recurrence of the disastrous effects of the late floods on Ballarat.
8. **MR. VALE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to submit a proposal for a Memorial to the Founder of the Colony.
9. **MR. BOWMAN** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, If Crown grants have been issued to any person or persons having taken up land under certificates.
10. **DR. MACARTNEY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the Treasurer, Whether any steps have yet been taken to give effect to the provision which the Honorable the late Chief Secretary declared, in this House, on the 10th of last June, to have been then already made, to compensate Civil Servants who had suffered by reduction in class, and if not, when such steps will be taken.
11. **MR. JONES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he will afford the House an opportunity to deal with the Reports of the Railway Construction Committee and the Railway Workshops Commission, before asking the House to consider the proposed railway expenditure; and if so, when.
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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. CREWS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House all papers relating to an enquiry at Oakleigh on the Poundkeeper and Police.
2. **MR. MACKAY** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return, showing the names of all persons who have been imprisoned in Her Majesty's Gaol at Sandhurst on the charge of Vagrancy during the last twelve months, with the date of commitment and the term of imprisonment, whether with or without hard labor, if charged on information or complaint, if summoned or apprehended on warrant, and who were the convicting justices.

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WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.

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1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOUSE TO BE CALLED.

General Business.**NOTICE OF MOTION:—**

1. **MR. BUTTERS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the revenue collected at Portland, from all sources, since separation from New South Wales, distinguishing the source from which the revenue is derived and the amount.

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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Monday, 25th October.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock (at Crown Lands Office).

Tuesday, 26th October.

LIBRARY—at 3 o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS—at half-past 3 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 48.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 49.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 91.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[92.]

Boroughs Statute Bill—Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Walsh. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1869.

1. MR. HIGINBOTHAM: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government will give precedence to the resolutions, of which notice has been given, on the subject of the relations between the Imperial Government and Governments possessing the system of responsible government.
2. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether the preliminary arrangements for the appointment of a permanent Commission, to have control of the National Gallery, Museum, and Public Library, were made under the direction of the late Chief Secretary.
 - (2.) Whether it is the intention of the present Government to complete the appointment of such Commission, and, if so, when.
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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION (Unopposed):—

1. CAPT. MACMAHON: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of the Cost of the branch of the Royal Mint about to be established in Victoria, showing:—
 - (1.) The expenses already incurred in detail.
 - (2.) The number, rank, and salary of all officials appointed or to be appointed from England, also in the Colony.
 - (3.) The estimated cost of buildings, machinery, &c.
 - (4.) The estimated income from the operations of the establishment.
2. MR. FRANCIS: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of the House a copy of the correspondence between the Government and Mr. W. V. Robinson, in the year 1865, as to the establishment of the present *Hansard*; also, a copy of all letters written by Mr. Robinson and Mr. Hadley, or either of them, during the present year, relative to an application for an increase of their salaries as *Hansard* Reporters, in consequence of a change in the staff caused by the resignation of Mr. Willoughby, together with a copy of the replies thereto.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. J. T. SMITH: To move, For leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Mining Companies Limited Liability Act 1864, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—Second reading.
2. HOUSE TO BE CALLED.
3. COMPENSATION TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT BILL—Consideration of report.
4. SCAB BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
5. STAMPS BILL—Second reading.
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7. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
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3. MR. HANNA: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that he will be pleased to place on an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of Six hundred pounds for the purpose of giving the discoverers of the Steiglitz and Stringer's Creek Gold Fields the amounts recommended to them by a Committee of this House.
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 - (1.) That the care of the political rights and interests of a free people can be safely entrusted only to a body appointed by and responsible to that people; and that the Legislative Assembly declines to sanction or to recognise the proceedings (so far as the same may relate to Victoria) of the conference proposed to be held in London, at the instance of a self-constituted and irresponsible body of absentee colonists.
 - (2.) That the people of Victoria possessing by law the right of self-government, desire that this Colony should remain an integral portion of the British Empire, and this House acknowledges, on behalf of its constituents, the obligation to provide for the defence of the shores of Victoria against foreign invasion, by means furnished at the sole cost, and retained within the exclusive control, of the people of Victoria.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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Thursday, 28th October.

LIBRARY—at half past 3 o'clock.

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CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock (at Crown Lands Office).

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22ND OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 49.
 Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 50.
 Scab Bill.—[15.] As reported 20th October.
 Aboriginal Natives Protection Bill—Amendments made by Legislative Council in Clause 4. (To Members of Council only.)
 Essendon and Upper Murray Railway Construction Bill.—[24.] (To Members of Council only.)
 Proposed Amendments in Insolvency Bill. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 92.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[93.]
 Relations between England and her Colonies—Copy of Despatch, &c. A.—No. 37.
 Agent-General—Copy of Despatch, &c. A.—No. 38.
 Railway Construction—Return. C.—No. 20.
 Members' Compensation Bill.—[56.]
 Labor Bill.—[57.]
 Corrupt Practices Bill.—New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Langton (to follow Clause 1); and New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Fellows (to follow Clause 3). (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Abolition of State Aid to Religion Bill.—[49.] (To Members of Assembly only.)
 Members' Compensation Bill.—[56.] As reported 26th October. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. MINING COMPANIES BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
3. SOAB BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
4. STAMPS BILL.—Second reading.
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6. FENCING BILL—Second reading.
7. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
8. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
9. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed):—

1. **MR. MACGREGOR**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return, showing the amount paid out of the Consolidated Revenue in every year from 1861 to 1868, both inclusive, either directly or by way of subsidy, for the carrying on of public works, roads, and bridges.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM**: To call the attention of the House to a despatch of the Agent-General of Victoria, dated 13th August, 1869, and the accompanying letter, which have been laid on the Table; and to recent debates in both Houses of the Imperial Parliament on the subject of the relations subsisting between Her Majesty's Imperial Government and Her Majesty's Government in those British Colonies which possess, by virtue of their Constitutional law, the right of self-government; and to move—
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 - (3.) That this House protests against any interference, by legislation of the Imperial Parliament, with the internal affairs of Victoria, except at the instance or with the express consent of the people of the Colony.
 - (4.) That the official communication of advice, suggestions, or instructions, by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to Her Majesty's Representative in Victoria, on any subject whatsoever connected with the administration of the local Government, except the giving or withholding of the Royal assent to or the reservation of Bills passed by the two Houses of the Victorian Parliament, is a practice not sanctioned by law, derogatory to the independence of the Queen's Representative, and a violation both of the principles of the system of responsible government and of the constitutional rights of the people of this Colony.
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- the following denominations, viz.:—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
3. **MR. CONNOR**: To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause the sum of Five hundred pounds to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1869 for the purpose of clearing a track from the township of Binegurra to Louttit Bay.
 4. **MR. BOWMAN**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a return of all lands that have been taken up under certificates for which Crown Grants have been issued without the legal conditions having been complied with; also, the names of the persons to whom granted, also the quantity granted to each person.
 5. **MR. BUTTERS**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the revenue collected at Portland, from all sources, since separation from New South Wales, distinguishing the source from which the revenue is derived and the amount.
 6. **DR. MACARTNEY**: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire generally into and report upon the claims of Mr. Thomas Bury on the Government for the delays in delivering to him a coal mining lease granted to him some years ago, and other matters relating thereto; such committee to consist of Mr. Bayles, Mr. McCulloch, Mr. McLellan, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. J. T. Smith, Mr. Smyth, and the mover, with power to call for persons and papers; three to form a quorum.
 7. **MR. HANNA**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that he will be pleased to place on an Additional Estimate for 1869 the sum of Six hundred pounds for the purpose of giving the discoverers of the Steiglitz and Stringer's Creek Gold Fields the amounts recommended to them by a Committee of this House.
 8. **MR. KERNOT**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the evidence taken on the recent enquiries into charges of drunkenness against various employés in the Railway Department during 1867 and 1868.
 9. **MR. MACKAY**: To move for leave to bring in a Bill to give persons who have bestowed labor upon property a lien for the work for which they have not been paid.
 10. **MR. MCCAW**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House, a Return of all cases of corruption in the administration of the Lands Department previous to the present Ministry taking office, and discovered by the Honorable the Minister of Lands and Survey since he took office, more particularly those cases referred to by him when addressing the electors of Maryborough at the late election, and giving in each case the names of the parties interested, and furnishing all papers and particulars relating thereto, and the amount of consideration given and taken in every such case.
 11. **MR. KITTO**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the Petition sent to the Mining Department by a Mr. Hutchinson, claiming reward as the discoverer of the Yandoit and Glengower Gold-fields.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER.

1. **MR. VALE**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to submit a proposal for a Memorial to the Founder of the Colony.
2. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If he has any objection to lay on the Table any legal opinion on which is founded "a grave legal doubt" as to the powers of a Commission, such as was proposed by the late Government, to manage the Museum, Public Library, and National Gallery.
 - (2.) If not, whether it is his intention to appoint such Commission.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*):—

1. **MR. GAVAN DUFFY**: To move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House—
 - (1.) The number of electors for the Legislative Assembly on the general and special rolls in each constituency at the period of the general election.
 - (2.) The number polled for each candidate at contested elections on that occasion.
 - (3.) The number polled for each candidate at such elections as have since occurred.
 - (4.) And the number of electors on the general and special rolls of each constituency at the period of the last revision.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. CONNOR**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the issue of Debentures under the Railway Loan Act 1868 ought to be limited to a sum not exceeding £1,491,200 (One million four hundred and ninety-one thousand two hundred pounds sterling), and that a Bill be brought in for that purpose.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LABOR BILL.—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. HUMFFRAY: To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
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CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock (at Crown Lands Office).

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 50.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 51.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[94.]

State Aid to Religion Abolition Bill.—[49.] (Issue completed.)

Members' Compensation Bill.—[56.] As reported 26th October.

Stamps Bill.—[4.] (To Members of Assembly only.)

Relations between England and her Colonies. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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4. MR. DYTE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Treasurer, When he will be prepared to lay on the Table of the House the proposed distribution of the Vote for Charitable Institutions.
5. MR. WALSH : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) Whether Mr. Thomas Anthony obtained a judgment against the Crown on 22nd June, 1868, for the sum of £251 15s. 6d.
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 - (3.) The amount of contracts at present in course of completion, and the probable amount required to complete the Coliban Water Scheme.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. MINING COMPANIES BILL (No. 2)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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 - (2.) The number and grade of each certificate.
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 - (4.) The period for which each certificate was suspended.
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1. ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAND DEPARTMENT—Motion for Return—Resumption of Debate.
2. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
3. FISHERIES BILL—Second reading.
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Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29TH OCTOBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 51.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 93.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[95.]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 18.

Relations between England and her Colonies—Message. B.—No. 21.

Statistics, 1868.—Part VII.—Production. No. 71.

Statistics, 1868.—Part VIII.—Religious, Moral, and Intellectual Progress. No. 72.

Stamps Bill—[4.] (Issue completed.)

Mining Companies Bill (No. 2).—[59.]

Scab Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. FELLOWS** : To ask the Honorable Member for Mornington, Under what clause in the *Civil Service Act* officers were reduced from a higher to a lower class.
2. **MR. VALE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to submit a proposal for a Memorial to the Founders of the Colony.
3. **DR. MACARTNEY** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, in the absence of the Honorable the Treasurer—
 - (1.) Whether any steps have yet been taken to give effect to the provisions which the late Honorable the Chief Secretary declared in this House on the 14th last June to have been made to compensate the Civil Servants who suffered from reduction in class.
 - (2.) If steps have not been taken already, when will such steps be taken.
 - (3.) If the present Government determine not to give effect to the provision, will they restore such Civil Servants to the class from which they were reduced.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY (To take precedence):—

1. RELATION BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES.—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. SCAB BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
3. STAMPS BILL.—Second reading.
4. DOWER BILL.—Second reading.
5. FENCING BILL.—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
7. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. JONES** : To call the attention of the House to the tariff of charges which now obtain in this colony for the transmission of Telegraphic messages ; and to move that, in the opinion of this House, the transmission and delivery of messages of ten words in any part of the colony (where an office has been opened) for one shilling, would improve the revenue by largely increasing the business, and would cheapen the cost to the public.
2. **MR. KERFERD** : To move, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday the 10th November instant.
3. **MR. BURTT** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return giving the gross receipts of the Exhibition of Fine Arts recently held in the Exhibition Building adjoining the Public Library, together with the particulars of the appropriation of same.
4. **MR. WALSH** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the memorial of certain Government Contractors presented to this House on the 16th of June last.
5. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the issue of Debentures under the Railway Loan Act 1868 ought to be limited to a sum not exceeding £1,491,200 (One million four hundred and ninety-one thousand two hundred pounds sterling), and that a Bill be brought in for that purpose.
6. **MR. THOMAS** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing—
 - (1.) The number of certificates suspended by the Steam Navigation Board, from 1st September, 1868, to 1st September, 1869.
 - (2.) The number and grade of each certificate.
 - (3.) The position held by each certificate holder at the time of suspension.
 - (4.) The period for which each certificate was suspended.
 - (5.) The number of certificates not returned to the owners by the Board, at the expiration of the period of suspension, with the reasons why they are so retained.

7. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
8. **MR. CONNOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting His Excellency to cause the sum of Five hundred pounds to be placed on an additional Estimate for 1869 for the purpose of clearing a track from the township of Birregurra to Louttit Bay.
9. **MR. MACKAY** : To move for leave to bring in a Bill to give persons who have bestowed labor upon property a lien for the work for which they have not been paid.
10. **MR. WRIXON** : To move, That this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the Message of His Excellency the Governor recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill for levying a rate-in-aid for the improvement of the Harbor at Belfast, and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **LABOR BILL**.—Second reading.
2. **GOLD DISCOVERERS, STEIGLITZ AND STRINGER'S CREEK**.—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
3. **ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAND DEPARTMENT**.—Motion for Return—Resumption of Debate.
4. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL**.—Second reading.
5. **FISHERIES BILL**.—Second reading.
6. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that there may be placed upon an Additional Estimate for this Year the sum of £332 18s. in full and final discharge of all claims and liabilities in respect of the Burke and Wills exploring expedition.

TUESDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. MCCAW** : To move, That whereas, in the opinion of this House, the Board of Agriculture is of no practical use in the promotion of Agriculture in this Colony, it is expedient that it should be abolished.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 - (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.
2. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—"On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868."
3. **MR. BERRY** : To move, *on an early day*, That steps be taken by the Railway department to provide reasonably decent third-class carriages, and run the same on the National railways once at least on each working day to and from each open station, at a fare not exceeding three-half-pence per mile for each adult.

4. **MR. LANGTON:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the "Committee of Public Accounts," for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.
5. **MR. FELLOWS:** To move, on the third reading of the Municipal Corporations Bill, the following amendments:—
 In First Schedule, paragraph 41, line 1, omit "north-west angle" and insert "shore of Bass' Straits at a point where intersected by the west boundary line."
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 In line 3, after "of" insert "Bass' Straits to Point;" after "Lonsdale" omit "Bay."
6. **MR. LALOR:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That it is desirable to reduce the rent on Mining Leases to Five shillings per acre, and to impose in place thereof a small export duty on gold.

MEETINGS
 OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 3rd November.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at half-past 1 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 29TH OCTOBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 52.
 Copyright Protection Bill.—[27.]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly Nos. 94 and 95.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[96.]

Victorian Railways—Schedule of Proposed Expenditure upon the North-eastern Railway during 1869. A.—No. 40.

Agent-General—Copy of further Despatch, &c. A.—No. 41.

Imperial Troops—Message. B.—No. 22.

Government Advertisements—Completion of Return, &c. C.—No. 21.

Hospitals for the Insane—Return showing Number of Patients visited, &c. No. 76.

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill.—[1.] As reported 28th October.

Mining Companies Limited Liability Act 1864 Amendment Bill.—[59.] To Members of Assembly only.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1869.

1. MR. DAVIES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If, in view of the late prosecution, the Queen *v.* Phillip Davies, charged with taking gold the property of the Queen, and of the verdict of the jury thereon, it is the intention of the Government to initiate legislation on the question of private property ; and if so, when.
2. MR. VALE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is the intention of the Government to submit a proposal for a Memorial to the Founders of the Colony.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. LANGTON : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the debentures issued under the *Public Works Loan Act* 1868, the dates of issue, the prices at which they were sold, the several purposes to which the moneys have been applied, and the amounts applied to each purpose.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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1. MR. KERNOT : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the evidence taken before the Boards appointed to inquire into the several charges of drunkenness in the locomotive department during the years 1867 and 1868 ; also an account of the number of fines and suspensions during that period, and for what causes.
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THURSDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1869.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. MACGREGOR** : To move, That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that there may be placed upon an Additional Estimate for this Year the sum of £332 18s. in full and final discharge of all claims and liabilities in respect of the Burke and Wills exploring expedition.

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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 10th November.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at half-past 1 o'clock.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 4TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 52.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 53.

Compensation to Members of Parliament Bill.—[56.]

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 96.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[97.]



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. RUSSELL** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, If he intends to give instructions for the survey of the country between Meredith and Beaufort, with the view of ascertaining the practicability of accommodating the populous townships of North Grenville by means of the proposed railway to the westward ; and, if it is the intention of the Government to cause statistics of the population and industries of North Grenville and other western localities to be prepared.
2. **MR. JONES** : To call attention to the omission from the Estimates of a sum of £300, heretofore granted yearly as a subsidy to the Victorian Rifle Association, in aid of their matches, and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he will place a similar amount for that purpose on an Additional Estimate for this year.
3. **MR. JONES** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways to the defective arrangements on the Ballarat Line for Saturday Excursions to and from Geelong, and to ask that improved facilities may be given to residents on Ballarat to visit Geelong per rail.
4. **MR. CONNOR** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the want of Police protection at the township of Beeac, and to ask if there is any objection to the establishment of a Police Station at that place.
5. **MR. DAVIES** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If, in view of the late prosecution, the Queen *v.* Phillip Davies, charged with taking gold the property of the Queen, and of the verdict of the jury thereon, it is the intention of the Government to initiate legislation on the question of private property ; and if so, when.

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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. MACPHERSON** : To move, That on Thursday, 18th November instant, the House be called.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1868—STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE—To be considered in Committee.
2. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
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TUESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **STAMPS BILL**.—Third reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

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MEETINGS
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Thursday, 11th November.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.

Friday, 12th November.

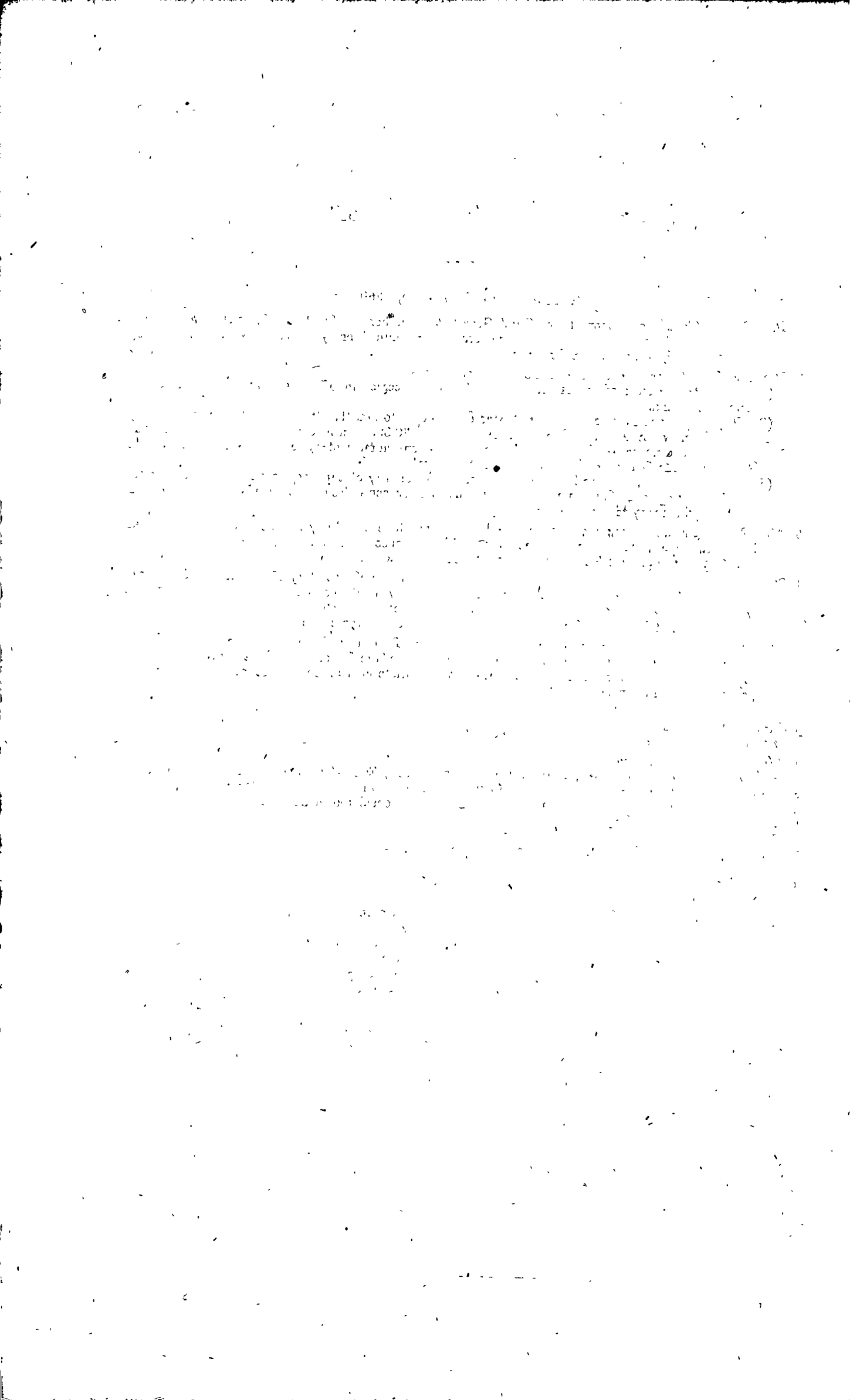
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Speaker.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 53.
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 Yan Yean Water Supply—Report of Government Analytical Chemist, &c. A. 2.
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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 97.
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[98.]
 Weekly Report of Divisions No. 19.
 Criminal Information for Libel—Return. C.—No. 22.
 Reports of Mining Surveyors and Registrars.—Quarter ending 30th September, 1869. No. 74.



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. BLAIR**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the functions of the Fine Arts Commission have been transferred to the Trustees of the Public Library; if so, at what time, and by what authority, was such transfer made.
2. **MR. BUTTERS**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1.) If he is prepared to carry out the promise of his predecessor in office relative to sending prison labor to Portland.
 - (2.) Whether, in the event of its being satisfactorily shown to him that the railway line already partly formed from Portland to Hamilton, at a cost of about £30,000, can be completed by prison labor, and at very little cost to the State, he will place a sufficient number of prisoners at the disposal of the Governor of the Gaol at Portland to carry out the work.
 - (3.) Whether he will cause to be forwarded a sufficient quantity of the surplus and otherwise useless plant, now lying in the Government sheds, to finish the sixteen miles of line already formed, and, with a little repair, ready for its reception.
3. **MR. F. L. SMYTH**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, If any instructions have been given by the late Government for the erection of a Court House at Bairnsdale; and, Whether it is the intention of the present Government to carry out the work.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **STAMPS BILL**.—Third reading.
2. **RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1868**.—**SCHEDULE OF SALARIES, WAGES, ETC.**—To be considered in Committee.
3. **RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1868**.—**STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE**.—To be considered in Committee.
4. **STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL**.—To be further considered in Committee.
5. **DOWER BILL**.—Second reading.
6. **SUPPLY**.—To be further considered in Committee.
7. **WAYS AND MEANS**.—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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4. **LABOR BILL.**—Consideration of report.
5. **GOLD DISCOVERERS, STEIGLITZ AND STRINGER'S CREEK.**—Resolution to be reported.
6. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL.**—Second reading.
7. **FISHERIES BILL.**—Second reading.
8. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL.**—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER.

1. **MR. BUTTERS** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government to abolish the tax charged for the transmission of newspapers, as the revenue of the Postal Department is on the increase.
2. **MR. BUTTERS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, When he will (in compliance with the promise of his predecessor) cause the survey of the railway line from Portland to Hamilton, already made by private subscription, to be verified by the Government Surveyor.

THURSDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **HOUSE TO BE CALLED.**

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HANNA** : To move, That the Petition of Alexander Stewart Dewar, presented to this House on the 10th instant, be now taken into consideration.

THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **SCAB BILL.**—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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4. **MR. LALOR** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That it is desirable to reduce the rent on Mining Leases to Five shillings per acre, and to impose in place thereof a small export duty on gold.

MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Friday, 12th November.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.
CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT—at 11 o'clock.

Tuesday, 16th November.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 54.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 55.
Second Report of the Printing Committee. D 5.
Report of Select Committee of Elections and Qualifications on Letter from Returning Officer for Central Province ; with Proceedings of Committee. D 6.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[99.]

North-Eastern Railway.—Estimated Cost of Land, &c. A.—No. 39.

Railway Loan Act.—Statement of Proposed Expenditure, &c. A.—No. 42.

Order in Council.—Mining Operations within Reserved Lands Authorized. No. 78.

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3. **MR. ASPINALL**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, What is the cause of the delay in cancelling the dismissal of Mr. Hanify, which had been determined upon by the late Government, after the papers had been referred back for their consideration by resolution of this House; and when the cancellation will take place.
4. **MR. CASEY**: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Whether he has received a Petition from Patrick Sullivan, of the Axe Creek, dated 2nd November, 1869. If so,
 - (1.) Whether he has dealt with it.
 - (2.) What decision, if any, has been made.
5. **MR. BURROWES**: To call the attention of the Honorable the Minister of Mines, to the fact that No. 4 Tunnel on line of Coliban Water Works will be completed in about six months, and to ask when he intends to proceed with the works north of said tunnel necessary to convey the water to Sandhurst, and if it is his intention to form a reservoir at Anderson's Flat, as originally intended, in connection with these works.
6. **MR. PLUMMER**: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, If any instructions have been given by the late Government for the erection of a new Court-house at Warnambool, and whether it is the intention of the present Government to carry out the work.
7. **MR. F. L. SMYTH**: To draw the attention of the Minister of Lands to the want of accommodation in seats throughout the public grounds, particularly the Botanical Gardens, Fitzroy Gardens, and the Richmond Paddock; and to ask, if it is the intention of said Minister to supply such want.
8. **MR. MACGREGOR**: To ask the Honorable the President of the Board of Land and Works, Whether such Board or the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey lately appointed Mr. John Urquhart to the office of Inspector of Crown Lands Bailiffs for the Western District, and whether any documents exist, or have existed, evidencing such appointment having been made or intended.
9. **MR. BOWMAN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is his intention to carry out a promise made in the House by the late Chief Secretary that the Head Turnkeys of the Ararat and Maryborough Gaols should be gazetted as Governors.
10. **MR. BOWMAN**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is a rule in the Post Office Department to deduct the salary from the mail guards when incapacitated for a week or so from illness.
11. **MR. JONES**: To call attention to the want of accommodation in the postal service at Sebastopol, where only one letter-carrier does the business of distribution for a population of 8,000 persons; and to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether he will cause an additional letter-carrier to be appointed. Also, to ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When receiving pillars, long since promised, will be erected in that populous locality for the convenience of the public and the profit of the department.
12. **MR. JONES**: To call attention to the repeated withdrawal of lands from sale at Ballarat, after announcement for sale by auction; and to ask the Minister of Lands if he will cause such allotments to be sold forthwith, unless good reasons can be assigned for their retention in the hands of the Government.
13. **DR. MACARTNEY**: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Railways, Whether he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House, a Return showing the names of the persons from whom the land required for the North-Eastern Railway is proposed to be purchased, the quantity purchased from, and the price per acre to be paid to each of them respectively.
14. **DR. MACARTNEY**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Lands, Whether he will appoint a Board at Port Albert to hear and decide on any disputes which may arise in connection with land selections in South Gippsland.
15. **MR. MACKAY**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Why the Exhibition of Minerals in the Exhibition Building has been closed to the public after having been kept open only a few hours.
16. **MR. KERFERD**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If it is true that a charge of divulging the contents of a press-message has been made by one of the Ballarat papers against the officials in the Ballarat Telegraph Office; also, If it has been found, on enquiry, that there was any foundation for the charge.

17. **MR. KERFERD** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, When will the Report of the Board appointed to enquire into the alleged irregularities in the Telegraph Department be ready for presentation, and will a copy of the correspondence that led to the appointment of the Board be laid on the Table of the House.
18. **MR. KERFERD** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Commissioner of Trade and Customs to the Pilot System of Victoria, and to ask if he will cause an enquiry to be made, with a view of ascertaining if a better system can be devised.
19. **MR. F. L. SMYTH** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, If any instructions have been given by the late Government for the erection of a Court House at Bairnsdale ; and, Whether it is the intention of the present Government to carry out the work.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. BLAIR** : To move, that there be laid upon the Table of this House a detailed Return showing the amount of the expenditure incurred by the Officers of the Water Supply Department for travelling and hotel expenses, hire of horses and conveyances, personal maintenance, and miscellaneous expenses, from the 1st January to the 30th September, 1869.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. J. T. SMITH** : To move, That the Report of the Refreshment Rooms Committee, presented to this House on the 10th of March last, be now taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1868 { SCHEDULE OF SALARIES, WAGES, ETC. } To be further considered in Committee.
2. STATE AID TO RELIGION ABOLITION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

1. MR. HUMFRAY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Government will place on the Supplementary Estimates for 1869, the sum of £100, in full compensation of the claims made by the widow of the late William Robertson, contractor, for the dredging of the River Yarra, owing to special losses sustained under the said contract.
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Government Business.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPENSATION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS.—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MCKEAN: To move, That the Report of the Crown Lands Department Committee be now taken into consideration.

General Business.

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1. MR. CONNOR: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the issue of Debentures under the Railway Loan Act 1868 ought to be limited to a sum not exceeding £1,491,200 (One million four hundred and ninety-one thousand two hundred pounds sterling), and that a Bill be brought in for that purpose.
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THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAB BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration—Resumption of Debate.

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1. MR. HUMFRAY: To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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- 5. **MR. HARBISON** : To move, on an early day, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a Message may be sent down to appropriate the sum of Two hundred pounds to be paid to the highest scorer in the first Clergyman's (of various denominations) Public Cricket Match, to be played on the Melbourne ground, conditionally that the net proceeds of such match be divided between the Melbourne Hospital and the Benevolent Asylum.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 12TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 55.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 56.

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 7.

Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.] As reported 11th November.

Notes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly Nos. 98 and 99.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[100.]

Railway Loan Act, 1868—Schedule of Salaries, &c. A.—No. 43.

Relations between England and her Colonies—Copy of Letter to the Agent-General, &c. A.—No. 44.

Relations between England and her Colonies—Copy of Letter to the Honorary Secretaries of the Colonial Conference Committee, &c. A.—No. 45.

Victorian Railways—Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for Half-year ending 30th June, 1869. No. 77.

State Aid to Religion Abolition Bill.—New Clauses. To Members of Assembly only.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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2. **MR. MACBAIN :** To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the unsatisfactory state of the present Scab Law, and to ask what are the intentions of the Government in regard to the Scab Bill set down for consideration on the 25th instant.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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1. **RAILWAY LOAN ACT 1868** { **SCHEDULE OF SALARIES, WAGES, ETC.** } To be further considered in Committee.
 { **STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE** }

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. CONNOR :** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the issue of Debentures under the Railway Loan Act 1868 ought to be limited to a sum not exceeding £1,491,200 (One million four hundred and ninety-one thousand two hundred pounds sterling), and that a Bill be brought in for that purpose.
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THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **SCAB BILL.**—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HUMFFRAY :** To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
 - (2.) That the rent upon ordinary Mining Leases be reduced from Two shillings to One shilling per acre per annum.

2. **MR. HIGINBOTHAM** : To move, in Committee of Supply, That the following condition be added to the Estimate of £176,093 6s. 8d. for Education—"On condition that no part of the above grant be applied in aid of any school not vested in the Board of Education unless such school shall have been established before 1st January, 1869, and shall have received aid from the Consolidated Revenue during the whole or some part of the year 1868."
3. **MR. LANGTON** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that a Standing Committee, such as is elected every Session in the British House of Commons, should be appointed, to be designated the "Committee of Public Accounts," for the examining of the Accounts, showing the appropriation of the sums granted by Parliament to meet the public expenditure; to consist of nine members, to be nominated at the commencement of every Session, of whom five shall form a quorum.
4. **MR. LALOR** : To move, on going into Committee of Supply, That it is desirable to reduce the rent on Mining Leases to Five shillings per acre, and to impose in place thereof a small export duty on gold.
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18TH NOVEMBER.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 56.
- Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 57.
- Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—[1.] (To Members of Council only.)
- Mining Companies Act 1864 Amendment Bill (2)—Amendments proposed by Honorable A. Fraser to be added to Clause 2. (To Members of Council only.)

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[101.]
- Government Advertisements—Return. C.—No. 23.
- Report from Select Committee on Crown Lands Department; with Proceedings of Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.—No. 15.
- Government Contractors—Petition. E.—No. 9.
- Archibald Stewart Dewar—Petition. E.—No. 10.
- Order in Council—Mining Operations within Reserved Lands Authorized. No. 79.
- State Aid to Religion Abolition Bill—[49.] As reported 17th November. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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4. MR. PLUMMER : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor praying that he will place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869 a sum of money for the purpose of building the Court House at Warrnambool, ordered to be erected by the late Minister of Justice.
5. MR. JONES : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to diminish very considerably the postal rate now charged on newspapers, with a view toward the eventual abolition of postage on newspapers published within this colony.
6. MR. HANNA : To move, That the Petition of Alexander Stewart Dewar, presented to this House on the 10th instant, be now taken into consideration.
7. MR. DYTE : To move, That there be laid on the Table of the House the correspondence relating to the suspension of the late Master of the Leigh Creek School, and all other documents relating thereto.
8. MR. T. COPE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House the plans of the survey now in progress of the Harbors of Belfast, Portland, and Warrnambool, together with the report (if any) of the surveyor, with the view of ascertaining which of those ports would be the most eligible for a harbor of refuge for vessels of any tonnage.
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11. MR. E. COPE : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
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14. MR. MCCAW : To move, That whereas, in the opinion of this House, the Board of Agriculture is of no practical use in the promotion of Agriculture in this Colony, it is expedient that it should be abolished.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPENSATION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS.—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
2. RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES.—Motion respecting—Resumption of Debate.
3. BURKE AND WILLS EXPLORING EXPEDITION.—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
4. LABOR BILL.—Consideration of report.
5. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
6. FISHERIES BILL—Second reading.
7. WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER:

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAB BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration—Resumption of Debate.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. HUMFRAY:** To move, on going into Committee of Supply—
 - (1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the rent now charged upon Gold Mining Leases should be reduced from One pound to Five shillings per acre per annum.
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FRAN^S. MURPHY,
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MEETINGS

OF

SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 24th November.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS—at 3 o'clock.
PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 19TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 57.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 58.
Electors in Provinces—Return. A 4.
Stamps Bill.—[4.] (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 101.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[102.]

By Authority: JOHN FERRES, Government Printer, Melbourne.

Mr. Speaker: To move, That the House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of

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NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- 1. MAILS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
- 2. SERRA—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. KAVIYA LOVA ACT 1868 { SCHEDULES OF EXHIBITIONS } Resolutions to be reported.
- 4. SCAR BILT—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration—Resumption of Debate

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 25TH, NOVEMBER, 1869.

1. MR. G. PATON SMITH: To ask, Whether it is the intention of the Government to alter the status of the senior turnkeys in charge of Maryborough and Ararat Gaols, or either of them; and, if so, in what respect.
2. MR. CREWS: To ask the Government, If they are aware that the City Corporation have obstructed the fencing of the 'Friendly Societies' Gardens; and if so, what action they will take to settle any dispute that may exist.
3. MR. GAVAN DUFFY: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is his intention to prepare an Electoral Bill to submit to Parliament next Session, with a view to an amendment of the law before a general election takes place.
4. MR. MCKENNA: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, What rate of interest the associated banks allow on the daily balance of the Public Account.
5. MR. JONES: To call attention to the large increase of duties devolving on Clerks of Petty Sessions under the new County Court Act, and to ask the Attorney-General, Whether arrangements have been made, or will be made, to proportion the pay of the officers referred to to their greatly extended duties.
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7. MR. MACBAIN: To call the attention of the Honorable the Chief Secretary to the unsatisfactory state of the present Scab Law, and to ask what are the intentions of the Government in regard to the Scab Bill set down for consideration on the 25th instant.
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TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER.

1. MR. BLAIR : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the Secretary to the Fine Arts Commission is a paid officer ; and if so, what rate of remuneration does he receive : also, what was the date of the last meeting of the Commission.
2. MR. BURROWES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If he intends submitting a schedule of works necessary for completing the Coliban Water Supply to Sandhurst, with the view of obtaining the sanction of Parliament to the expenditure during this Session.
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MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 25th November.

Mr. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.

FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19TH NOVEMBER.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council Nos. 58 and 59.
- Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 60.
- Dower Bill.—[31.] (To Members of Council only.)
- Mining Companies Act 1864 Amendment Bill (2).—[59.] As reported 18th November.

- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly Nos. 100 and 102.
- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[103.]
- Weekly Reports of Divisions Nos. 20 and 21.
- Estimates, 1869—Message. B.—No. 23.
- Steam Navigation Board—Suspension of Certificates—Return. C.—No. 24.
- Land Certificates—Return. C.—No. 25.

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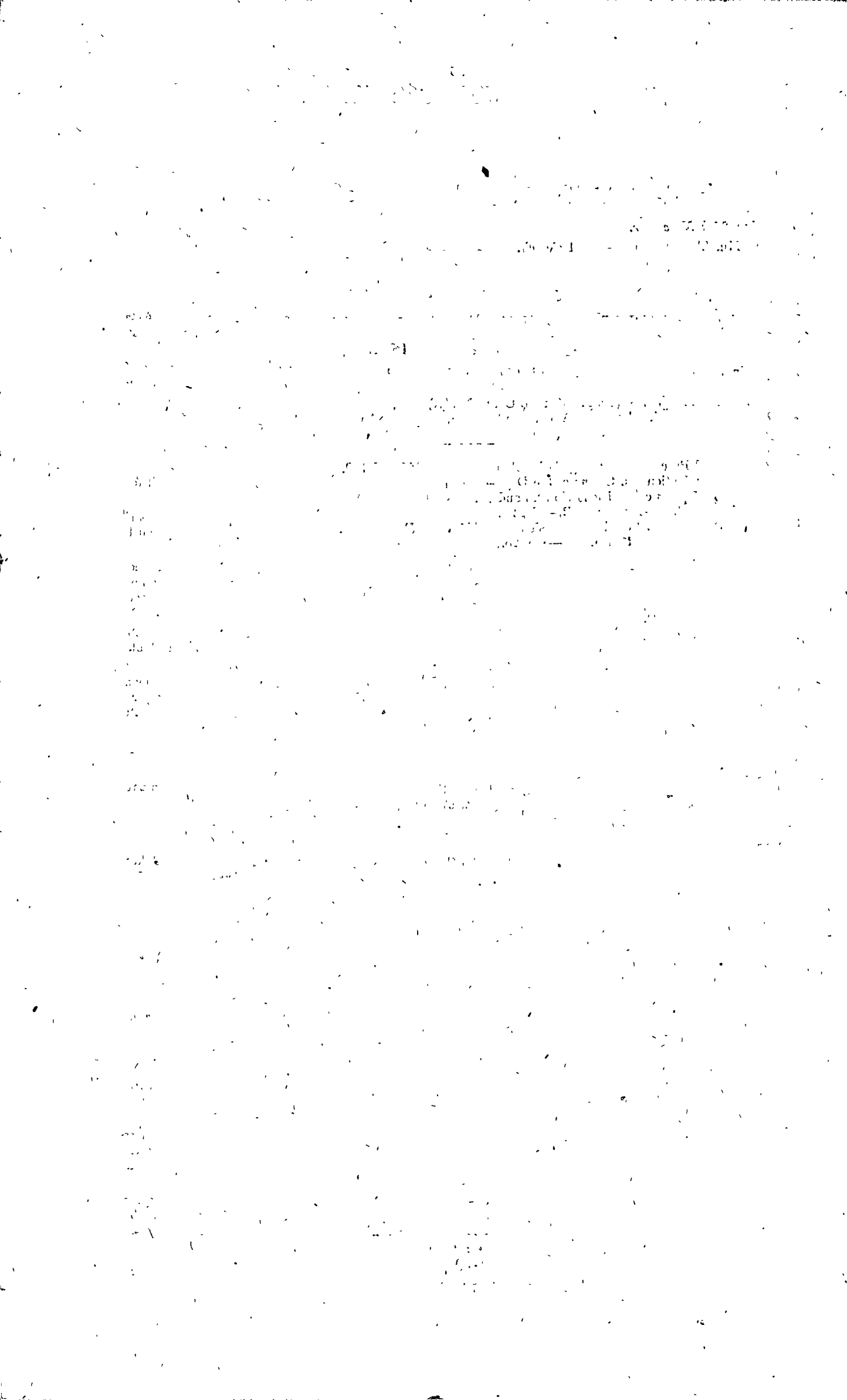
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1869.

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4. **MR. VALE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is intended to introduce a Bill for taking the Census prior to any amendment of the Electoral Act.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :—

1. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of all papers and documents relating to the case of the late District Surveyor Scott, of Camperdown.

Government Business:

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1. **MR. MCKEAN** : To move, That the Report of the Crown Lands Department Committee, be now taken into consideration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

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MEETINGS
OF
SELECT COMMITTEES.

Monday, 29th November.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.

Tuesday, 30th November.

PRINTING—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 26TH NOVEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 60.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 61.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 103.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[104.]

Education—Estimates, 1869. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LABORATORY OF ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

CHICAGO, ILL.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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**MEETING
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MR. THOMAS BURY—at 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26TH NOVEMBER.

- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 56†. (To be substituted for Minutes No. 56, issued 18th November.)
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- Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill.—[1.] As reported 25th November. (To Members of Council only.)
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- Local Government Act Amendment Bill.—[9.] As reported 25th November. (To Members of Council only.)
- Abattoirs Bill.—[10.] As reported 25th November. (To Members of Council only.)
- State Aid to Religion Abolition Bill.—[49.] (To Members of Council only.)
- Mining Companies Act 1864 Amendment Bill.—[59.] As reported 25th November. (To Members of Council only.)
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MEETING

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Thursday, 2nd December.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at 11 o'clock.

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Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND DECEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 62.

Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.] As reported 1st December, 1869. (To Members of Council only.)

Railway Loan Appropriation Bill.—[60.] (To Members of Council only.)

Scab Bill—Amendments made by Legislative Council considered by Legislative Assembly. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 105.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[106.]

County Courts—Rules, Orders, and Forms, for regulating the Practice and Proceedings in County Courts, &c. No. 75.

Public Library and Museum Bill.—[61.] (Issue completed.)

Stamps Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Statement of the proposed Distribution of the Vote in Aid of Charitable Institutions, Year 1869. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Additional Estimates, 1869, and Additional Supplementary Estimates, 1868—Message. B.—No. 24. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

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2. **MR. ROLFE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House all papers relating to the late reported frauds at the Customs.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT—Motion upon—Resumption of Debate.
2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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MEETINGS
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Friday, 3rd December.

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Tuesday, 7th December.

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Speaker.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 62.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[107.]

Weekly Report of Divisions No. 22.

Additional Estimates, 1869, and Additional Supplementary Estimates, 1868—Message. B.—No. 24.
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Minutes of the Proceedings of the House of Commons

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH:** To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General:—
 - (1.) Whether a fine has been inflicted upon Messrs. Levy and Co., for evading the laws relating to the Customs.
 - (2.) By virtue of what sections in the Customs Act was the fine imposed.
 - (3.) Value of the goods on which the duties were sought to be evaded.
 - (4.) Whether the goods have been confiscated.
 - (5.) Whether the duties were *ad valorem*.
 - (6.) Whether it is intended to take further proceedings.
2. **MR. BURROWES:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, If he intends submitting a schedule of works necessary for completing the Coliban Water Supply to Sandhurst, with the view of obtaining the sanction of Parliament to the expenditure during this Session.
3. **MR. BLAIR:** To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether the attention of the Government has been called to the expediency of appointing a Commission of Enquiry into the system of dealing with criminals at present in existence here, with a view to the adoption of those improvements in penal legislation and prison discipline which have recently been adopted in the mother country.
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THURSDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

Government Business.

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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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- Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 63.
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- Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 107.
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- Land Laws Amendment Bill.—[7.] Showing Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1869.

1. MR. LANGTON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs—
 - (1.) Whether it is a fact that, between the 12th October and 28th November, 1865, the firm of McCulloch, Sellar and Co. was permitted to enter certain goods for home consumption at half the rate of duty payable under the *Customs Act* then in force, and if a loss accrued to the Treasury of £667 6s. 8d.
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2. MR. WITT : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, Whether it is the intention of the Government to abolish the regulations of the Electric Telegraph department which require, before the wires are extended to any new locality, that a guarantee be given to the Government by private persons to make good any loss or deficiency which may arise in working such new branch ; if so, whether the Government will place a sufficient sum on the Estimates to extend the Telegraph wires from Tarrawingee to El Dorado.
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General Business.

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Government Business.

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MEETING
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SELECT COMMITTEE.

Thursday, 9th December.

MR. THOMAS BURY—at half-past 3 o'clock.

FRAN^S. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 64.
Weekly Report of Divisions No. 8.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 108.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[109.]

Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Public Library and Museum Bill.—[61.] As reported 8th December, 1869. (To Members of Assembly only.)



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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 10TH DECEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 65.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 109.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[110.]

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for Quarter ending 30th September, 1869.

A.—No. 46.

Exhibition of Fine Arts—Return. C.—No. 27.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. CREWS**: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, What action the Government intend to take respecting the Treasurer and Minister of Public Works, and filling up the vacancy in the Post Office.
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2. **SUPPLY**.—Resolutions to be reported.
3. **SUPPLY**—To be further considered in Committee.
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Weekly Report of Divisions No. 23.

Harbors of Belfast, Portland, and Warrnambool—Report, &c. A.—No. 47.

Public Works Loan Act 1868—Public Works Department—Statement, &c. A.—No. 49. (To Members of Assembly only.)

Royal Mint—Return, &c. C.—No. 28.

Order in Council—Mining Operations on Reserved Lands at Castlemaine Authorized. No. 80.

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Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 66.

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Williamstown Railway Workshops—Observations and Statement, &c. A.—No. 48.

Public Works Loan Act 1868—Public Works Department—Statement, &c. A.—No. 50. (Issue completed.)

Further Report of the Technological Commission. No. 81.

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Public Library and Museum Bill.—[61.] As reported 16th December. (To Members of Council only.)

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16. **MR. RUSSELL**: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, proper surveys of all the proposed railway routes to the westward, including the one branching from the main line at or near Meredith should be made, and correct statistics of the population and industries adjoining such proposed lines taken, before any route for the line of railway to the western district is definitely fixed.
17. **MR. T. COPE**: To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing the amount of money received by the Government from Hamilton, from all sources, up to the present time.
18. **MR. WHITEMAN**: To move, That the Petition of James Ross, late a weigher in H.M. Customs, be now taken into consideration by this House.
19. **MR. E. COPE**: To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz.:—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
20. **MR. WILLIAMS**: To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869, a sum of £150 for the purpose of repaying the Shire Council of Maldon the amount expended by it in the eradication of Thistles under the provisions of the *Thistles Act*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPENSATION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS.—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
2. RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES.—To be further considered in Committee.
3. LABOR BILL.—Consideration of report.
4. BURKE AND WILLS EXPLORING EXPEDITION.—Resolution to be reported.
5. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
6. FISHERIES BILL—Second reading.
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1. **MR. HARBISON**: To move, *on an early day*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a Message may be sent down to appropriate the sum of Two hundred pounds to be paid to the highest scorer in the first Clergyman's (of various denominations) Public Cricket Match, to be played on the Melbourne ground, conditionally that the net proceeds of such match be divided between the Melbourne Hospital and the Benevolent Asylum.

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FRAN. MURPHY,
Speaker.

MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day:—[114.]

Further Additional Estimates, 1869—Message. B.—No. 25.

Officers of Water Supply Department—Travelling Expenses—Return. C.—No. 30.

Report from Select Committee on Mr. Thomas Bury; with Proceedings of Committee, Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices. D.—No. 17. (Issue completed.)

Order in Council—Mining Operations within Camp Reserve, Maldon, Authorized. No. 82.

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- 2. RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES.—To be further considered in Committee.
- 3. LABOR BILL.—Consideration of report.
- 4. HURLE AND WILKS EXPLORING EXPEDITION.—Resolution to be recorded.
- 5. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL.—Second reading.
- 6. FINANCIAL BILL.—Second reading.
- 7. WILKS BILL AND SIMONS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL.—To be further considered in Committee.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. G. PATON SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, Whether it is true that certain seamen belonging to Her Majesty's ships in this Port were taken in custody on board the *Wonga Wonga*; and if so, by what authority.
2. **MR. WITT** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways, If the permanent surveys of the branch lines of railway from Wangaratta to Wahgunyah, and from Wangaratta to Beechworth, *via* El Dorado, are completed; if not, whether it is his intention to cause these surveys to be finished before removing the survey staff from that portion of the colony.
3. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a decision of the local Bench at Talbot, on the 18th November last, in the case of three miners charged with following their ordinary calling on Sunday; and to ask, whether, in his opinion, the said decision was in accordance with the law.
4. **MR. JAMES** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary, If he will cause an inquiry to be made into the case of the late Constable Ahner, of Ballarat, with a view to a gratuity to his widow and children.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. APPROPRIATION BILL—Second reading.
2. SCAB BILL.—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into further consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, *viz.* :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
2. **MR. WILLIAMS** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869, a sum of £150 for the purpose of repaying the Shire Council of Maldon the amount expended by it in the eradication of Thistles under the provisions of the *Thistles Act*.
3. **MR. CASEY** : To move, For a Return, showing a list of all Bills that, either in whole or in part, come within the 56th section of the Constitution Act that have been brought in, showing—
 - (1.) By whom brought in, when and where.
 - (2.) The object of the Bill.
 - (3.) The clauses of the Bill that come within the 56th section.
 - (4.) Whether such clauses have been introduced, amended, or rejected by the Upper House.
 - (5.) If so, whether such clauses so introduced, amended or rejected were agreed to, disagreed with, or the Bill laid aside.
 - (6.) And where the Bill was laid aside, whether a new Bill was ordered.
4. **MR. WILSON** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, a line of railway be surveyed between Ararat and Hamilton, and that the land embraced in the same be reserved from sale and selection.
5. **MR. DYTE** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the number of Mining Leases applied for during the years 1868 and 1869, showing the names of applicants, locality, quantity of land applied for, result of application, amount paid by applicants, number abandoned, amount refunded to applicants when lease refused.
6. **MR. WHITEMAN** : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the following resolution :—

That having reference to a telegram from the late Government to Mr. Scott, on the 16th of September last, this House is of the opinion, Mr. Scott, the late District Surveyor of Camperdown, is entitled to a pension under the Civil Service Act, No. 160.

[370 copies.]

7. **MR. CONNOR:** To move, That, in the opinion of this House, the issue of Debentures under the Railway Loan Act 1868 ought to be limited to a sum not exceeding £1,491,200 (One million four hundred and ninety-one thousand two hundred pounds sterling), and that a Bill be brought in for that purpose.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **COMPENSATION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS.**—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
2. **RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES.**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **LABOR BILL.**—Consideration of report.
4. **BURKE AND WILLS EXPLORING EXPEDITION.**—Resolution to be reported.
5. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL.**—Second reading.
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CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HARBISON:** To move, *on an early day*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a Message may be sent down to appropriate the sum of Two hundred pounds to be paid to the highest scorer in the first Clergyman's (of various denominations) Public Cricket Match, to be played on the Melbourne ground, conditionally that the net proceeds of such match be divided between the Melbourne Hospital and the Benevolent Asylum.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[115.]

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

THURSDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1869.

1. **CAPT. MAC MAHON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Customs, If there is any condition in the regulations for victualling immigrant ships to Victoria which prevents the use of Australian preserved and cured meats.
2. **MR. ROLFE** : To ask, If the Honorable the Chief Secretary can give any information respecting the destruction of scabby sheep at St. Arnaud's some time ago, and by whose authority they were so destroyed.
3. **MR. JONES** : To call attention to the number of unlicensed houses of entertainment in the City giving theatrical and semi-theatrical performances, one, if not more, of which has been positively refused a license; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, Whether steps will be taken to compel observance of the law by closing such establishments until licenses for them shall have been obtained.
4. **MR. MACBAIN** : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a decision of the local Bench at Talbot, on the 18th November last, in the case of three miners charged with following their ordinary calling on Sunday; and to ask, whether, in his opinion, the said decision was in accordance with the law.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (Unopposed) :—

1. **MR. McLELLAN** : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return showing all monies received at the Ararat Treasury from its first establishment to the present date, and the various sources from which they have been derived.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. **APPROPRIATION BILL**—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. E. COPE** : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
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11. **DR. MACARTNEY:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence between Dr. Macartney and the Board of Education concerning the conduct of one of its Inspectors, together with a copy of all minutes which may have been made thereon.

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1. **RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES—**Resolutions to be reported.
2. **COMPENSATION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS.—**Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
3. **LABOR BILL.—**Consideration of report.
4. **BURKE AND WILLS EXPLORING EXPEDITION.—**Resolution to be reported.
5. **PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—**Second reading.
6. **FISHERIES BILL—**Second reading.
7. **WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—**To be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HARBISON:** To move, *on an early day*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a Message may be sent down to appropriate the sum of Two hundred pounds to be paid to the highest scorer in the first Clergyman's (of various denominations) Public Cricket Match, to be played on the Melbourne ground, conditionally that the net proceeds of such match be divided between the Melbourne Hospital and the Benevolent Asylum.
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FRAN^s. MURPHY,
Speaker.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 23RD DECEMBER.

Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 68.
Municipal Corporations Law Amendment Bill—Amendments made by Legislative Council—Considered by Legislative Assembly 22nd December, 1869. (To Members of Council only)
Local Government Act Amendment Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council—Considered by Legislative Assembly 21st December, 1869. (To members of Council only.)
Scab Bill—Amendments which were originally made by the Legislative Council 26th October, and which were insisted on by the Council on the 2nd December, 1869—Considered by the Legislative Assembly 25th November, 1869, and re-considered by Legislative Assembly 22nd December, 1869, (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly No. 115.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[116.]
Debentures under Public Works Loan Act 1868.—Return. C.—No. 26.
Government Advertisements—Further partial Return C.—No. 31.
Contracts for Water Supply—Return. C.—No. 32.
Electors for the Legislative Assembly—Return. C.—No. 33.
Lien Bill—[19.]
Land Laws Amendment Bill—Amendments made by the Legislative Council—Considered by Legislative Assembly 17th December 1869, and considered by Legislative Council 22nd December, 1869. (To Members of Assembly only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

FRIDAY, 24TH DECEMBER, 1869.

1. MR. FRANCIS : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines, Whether it is intended to grant compensation to the officers who have received notice of reduction in the office of Water Supply.
2. MR. BERRY : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary—
 - (1). On what conditions was aid granted by the Board of Education to the late Protestant Orphanage School No. 478, Geelong, for the period from 1st March, 1864, to the 30th June, 1867.
 - (2). Were those conditions carried out.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*Unopposed*) :—

1. MR. BERRY : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House copies of correspondence between the Board of Education the Local Committee and the teachers of the Protestant Orphanage School, Geelong, on the question of payment of school fees for the orphans residing in the institution, or an equivalent for such school fees, from 1st March, 1864, to the 30th June, 1867.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
3. APPROPRIATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of—
 - (1). The number and names of the companies wound up by order of the Judge of the Court of Mines at Ballarat, since the appointment of the present official agent.
 - (2). The date of the winding-up order in each case.
 - (3). The amount of uncalled capital in each estate.
 - (4). The amounts of debt proved in each estate.
 - (5). The amount recovered from shareholders.
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 - (7). The amount expended in law costs.
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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 24TH DECEMBER.

Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 68.
Proof of Minutes of Proceedings of Legislative Council No. 69.

Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly Nos. 114 and 116.
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[117.]
Officers of the Victorian Water Supply Department—Petition. E.—No. 11. (To Members of Assembly only.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

TUESDAY, 28TH DECEMBER, 1869.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND LAWS AMENDMENT BILL—Report of Committee—To be taken into consideration.
2. APPROPRIATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL—Amendments of Legislative Council—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. JONES : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of—
 - (1). The number and names of the companies wound up by order of the Judge of the Court of Mines at Ballarat, since the appointment of the present official agent.
 - (2). The date of the winding-up order in each case.
 - (3). The amount of uncalled capital in each estate.
 - (4). The amounts of debt proved in each estate.
 - (5). The amount recovered from shareholders.
 - (6). The amount charged by official agent as expenses.
 - (7). The amount expended in law costs.
 - (8). The amount distributed amongst the creditors in each estate.
2. MR. E. COPE : To move, That this House does not and will not acknowledge the existence of any dominant State Church or school in this colony, yet, with the desire and intention of doing equal justice to all sects and denominations, resolves, in consideration of the expressed intention of Government to bring down a Message recommending that the sum of One thousand pounds be placed upon the Supplementary Estimates for this year (as a grant towards the erection of a Catholic school at Abbotsford), that, in addition to this grant, they be requested to bring down a further Message recommending the sum of One thousand pounds to be granted for the like purpose to each and all of the following denominations, viz. :—Episcopalians, Victorian Free Church, Presbyterians, Free Presbyterians, United Presbyterians, Wesleyans, New Connexion Methodists, United Free Methodists, Primitive Methodists, Independents, Baptists, United Baptists, Particular Baptists, Bible Christians, Lutherans, Hebrews, Unitarians, and all and every other sect or denomination not enumerated in this motion, and which sect or denomination now constitutes a church within the Colony of Victoria.
3. MR. WILLIAMS : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, for the purpose of considering the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting him to place upon an Additional Estimate for 1869, a sum of £150 for the purpose of repaying the Shire Council of Maldon the amount expended by it in the eradication of Thistles under the provisions of the *Thistles Act*.
4. MR. CASEY : To move, For a Return, showing a list of all Bills that, either in whole or in part, come within the 56th section of the Constitution Act that have been brought in, showing—
 - (1). By whom brought in, when and where.
 - (2). The object of the Bill.
 - (3). The clauses of the Bill that come within the 56th section.
 - (4). Whether such clauses have been introduced, amended, or rejected by the Upper House.
 - (5). If so, whether such clauses so introduced, amended or rejected were agreed to, disagreed with, or the Bill laid aside.
 - (6). And where the Bill was laid aside, whether a new Bill was ordered.
5. MR. WILSON : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, a line of railway be surveyed between Ararat and Hamilton, and that the land embraced in the same be reserved from sale and selection.
6. MR. DYTE : To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a Return of the number of Mining Leases applied for during the years 1868 and 1869, showing the names of applicants, locality, quantity of land applied for, result of application, amount paid by applicants, number abandoned, amount refunded to applicants when lease refused.
7. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole, to consider the following resolution :—

That having reference to a telegram from the late Government to Mr. Scott, on the 16th of September last, this House is of the opinion, Mr. Scott, the late District Surveyor of Camperdown, is entitled to a pension under the Civil Service Act, No. 160.
8. MR. WHITEMAN : To move, That the Petition of James Ross, late a weigher in H.M. Customs, be now taken into consideration by this House.

9. **MR. E. COPE:** To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances which led to the destruction of a quantity of sheep at Digby, and subsequent loss to the Government of a large sum of money; and also to take into consideration the conduct of the Chief Inspector of Scab with reference to this matter; such committee to consist of Mr. MacPherson, Mr. McDonnell, Mr. McBain, Mr. Casey, Mr. Rolfe, Mr. T. Cope, and the Mover, with power to call for persons and papers, and to sit upon days when the House does not sit; three to form a quorum.
10. **DR. MACARTNEY:** To move, That there be laid upon the Table of this House a copy of the correspondence between Dr. Macartney and the Board of Education concerning the conduct of one of its Inspectors, together with a copy of all minutes which may have been made thereon.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND HER COLONIES—Resolutions to be reported.
2. COMPENSATION TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS.—Motion for Address—To be considered in Committee.
3. LABOR BILL.—Consideration of report.
4. BURKE AND WILLS EXPLORING EXPEDITION.—Resolution to be reported.
5. PARLIAMENT AND MINISTERS BILL—Second reading.
6. FISHERIES BILL—Second reading.
7. WINES BEER AND SPIRITS SALE STATUTE 1864 AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. **MR. HARBISON:** To move, *on an early day*, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the propriety of presenting an Address to His Excellency the Governor, praying that a Message may be sent down to appropriate the sum of Two hundred pounds to be paid to the highest scorer in the first Clergyman's (of various denominations) Public Cricket Match, to be played on the Melbourne ground, conditionally that the net proceeds of such match be divided between the Melbourne Hospital and the Benevolent Asylum.
2. **MR. ROLFE:** To move (*on an early day*), That having in view the inconsiderate manner in which certain measures of great importance passed by the popular branch of the Legislature have afterwards been repeatedly dealt with and defeated, this House is of opinion that the provisions of the *Constitution Act* should receive prompt and earnest consideration, in order that such alterations thereof may be effected as shall secure legislation more in harmony with the mind of the people.

MEETING

OF

SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 28th December.

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Speaker.

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Land Laws Amendment Bill—Formal method of disposing of amendments in accordance with recommendations of Committees of both Houses. (To Members of both Houses.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH DECEMBER, 1869.

1. **MR. JAMES :** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Lands, If the State Forest Ranger, Mr. Ferguson is acting under instructions from the Crown Lands Department in prohibiting woodcutters from cutting trees of less than eighteen (18) inches in diameter ; and if such be his instructions, will he reconsider the matter, with a view to lessening the size, as the present regulation, if persisted in, will prove detrimental to the interests of mining companies.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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Votes and Proceedings of Legislative Assembly Nos. 117 and 118.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.—[119.]

Phillip Island—Return. A.—No. 49. (Issue completed.)

Land Laws Amendment Bill—Report from Select Committee, &c. D.—No. 18. (Issue completed.)

Officers of the Victorian Water Supply Department—Petition. E.—No. 11. (Issue completed.)

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