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NOTICES

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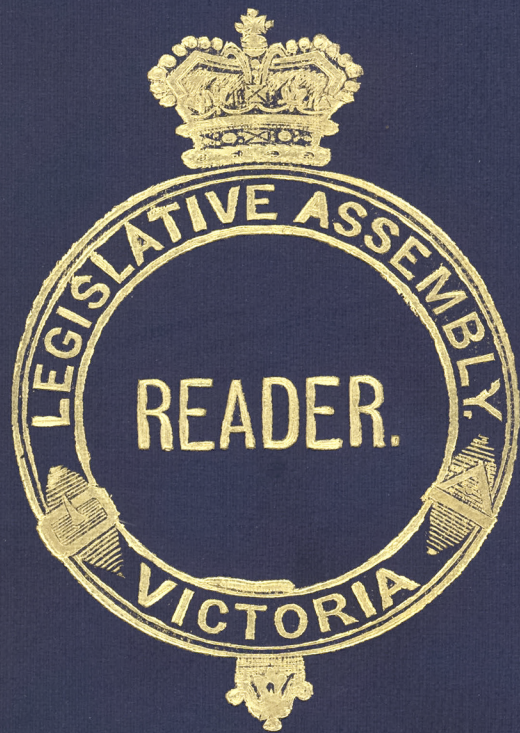
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 7TH JULY, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. KIRTON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to take steps to acquire some of the large estates near Ballarat for Closer Settlement purposes.
2. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply—
 1. If he is aware that residents westward of the Terricks, the Loddon, Avoca, and on the Mallee fringe have for years past been petitioning for a permanent supply of water for domestic and stock purposes.
 2. If it is a fact that the further construction of the Waranga-Mallee channel westward of the Picaninny Creek has been stopped ; if so, why.
 3. If it is a fact that the Chairman of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission has determined that all the waters from the Waranga Basin shall be utilized for irrigation purposes in the Rodney district only.
3. MR. GRAHAM : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture what action, if any, he has taken to prosecute the vendors of the salt-adulterated chaff which was recently spread broadcast over the State ; and, if no action is contemplated, has he any objection to lay on the Table of the House a copy of all reports and other papers connected with his Departmental inquiry.
4. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Premier whether, in view of the passage of the Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act by the Commonwealth Parliament, with its more liberal provisions than the Victorian Act, the Government will immediately introduce a Bill making provision for the handing back to the old pioneers the deeds of their property taken from them by the Government and the abolition of the provision which compels the relatives of the pensioners to contribute to their pensions.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence) :—

1. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—To be considered.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Adult Suffrage.*"
2. MR. HOLDEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Local Government Act 1903' so as to provide for the Optional Rating by Municipalities on the Unimproved Values of Rateable Property.*"
3. MR. GRAHAM : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to prevent the Adulteration of Chaff or other Produce used for feeding stock and for other purposes.*"
4. MR. OUTTRIM : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to empower the Courts of Mines and County Courts in the Country to deal with special cases stated by a Warden and Orders to review under the Justices Acts.*"

Contingent on the foregoing Motion being agreed to—

5. MR. OUTTRIM : To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.

6. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the appointment of a Public Trustee and for other purposes.*"
7. MR. ROBERTSON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Compulsory Dipping of Sheep.*"
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9. MR. OUTTRIM: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the adoption in Legislation of Popular Initiative and Referendum.*"
10. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
11. MR. TOUTCHER: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the reduction of the State Governor's Salary from £5,000 to £1,000.*"

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

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THOS. G. WATSON,
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FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply—
 1. If he is aware that residents westward of the Terricks, the Loddon, Avoca, and on the Mallee fringe have for years past been petitioning for a permanent supply of water for domestic and stock purposes.
 2. If it is a fact that the further construction of the Waranga-Mallee channel westward of the Picaninny Creek has been stopped ; if so, why.
 3. If it is a fact that the Chairman of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission has determined that all the waters from the Waranga Basin shall be utilized for irrigation purposes in the Rodney district only.
2. MR. MCGRATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House if it is true that the Government has bought 14 acres of land at the corner of Creswick-road and Essex-street, Ballarat; if so, (a) on what date was the land purchased; (b) what price was paid for it; (c) from whom was it purchased; and (d) what use, if any, has been made of it.
3. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. The number of the imported bevelled star cut glass panels for the Railway Department that have been rejected by the Stores Inspector, or deemed by him to be below the standard insisted upon in connexion with the made-in-Australia article.
 2. Will he lay upon the table of the Library a copy of all the reports of any foreman or official of the Railway Department in connexion with the contract.

ORDER OF THE DAY (to take precedence) :—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of debate.*

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That Standing Order No. 273A be suspended so as to allow the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means to be appointed before the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech has been agreed to by this House.
2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.
3. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.
4. MR. SWINBURNE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, and for other purposes.*"
5. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Government Valuation of Land.*"
6. MR. MACKEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Closer Settlement Act 1904.'*"
7. MR. SWINBURNE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Artificial Manures Acts.*"
8. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Melbourne Harbor Trust Acts.*"
9. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Acts.*"

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11. MR. MACKEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Leasing of certain Land granted as a Site for Municipal Purposes at Castlemaine?*"
12. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Adult Suffrage.*"
13. MR. HOLDEN : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Local Government Act, 1903', so as to provide for the Optional Rating by Municipalities on the Unimproved Values of Rateable Property.*"
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Contingent on the foregoing Motion being agreed to—

16. MR. OUTTRIM : To move, pursuant to the Standing Order for the Restoration of Lapsed Bills, That this Bill be now advanced through all its stages up to the consideration of the Bill in Committee.
17. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the appointment of a Public Trustee and for other purposes.*"
18. MR. ROBERTSON : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Compulsory Dipping of Sheep.*"
19. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
20. MR. OUTTRIM : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the adoption in Legislation of Popular Initiative and Referendum.*"
21. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
22. MR. TOUCHER : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the reduction of the State Governor's Salary from £5,000 to £1,000.*"

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY, 1908.

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

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of debate.*

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- *1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which this House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday, and half-past Ten o'clock on Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Ten o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday, and after Four o'clock on Thursday.
- *2. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That on Tuesday and Wednesday in each week during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business.
- *3. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That on Thursday in each week during the present Session, business shall be called on in the following order, viz.:—

On one Thursday—

(*Until One o'clock.*)

Private Bill Business:

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

General Business:

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

(*After One o'clock.*)

Government Business.

On the alternate Thursday—

(*Until One o'clock.*)

General Business:

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

Private Bill Business:

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

(*After One o'clock.*)

Government Business.

- *4. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
- *5. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Touter; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum.

* *Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.*

- *6. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
- *7. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session:—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
- *8. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following Members form the Refreshment-Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council:—Mr. Bennett, Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.
- *9. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session:—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, and Mr. Watt; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.
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- *19. MR. MACKINNON: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize and validate certain expenditure by Councils of Municipalities in connexion with the visit of the Fleet of the United States of America.*"
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- *2. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
- *3. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY.

Questions.

- *1. MR. MCGREGOR : To ask the Honorable the Premier, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he will inform the House—
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4. MR. WATT: To ask the Honorable the Premier if he has any objection to lay on the Table of the House the papers relating to the commutation of Manning's death sentence.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. SWINBURNE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to ratify and provide for carrying out an Agreement entered into between the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, and for other purposes.*"

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1. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading.
3. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. ARTIFICIAL MANURES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. CASTLEMAINE LAND BILL—Second reading.
9. MUNICIPALITIES AMERICAN FLEET CELEBRATIONS BILL—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY.

(After one o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Ultima to Eureka.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
3. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toutcher*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bromley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Bennett, Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, and Mr. Watt.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.

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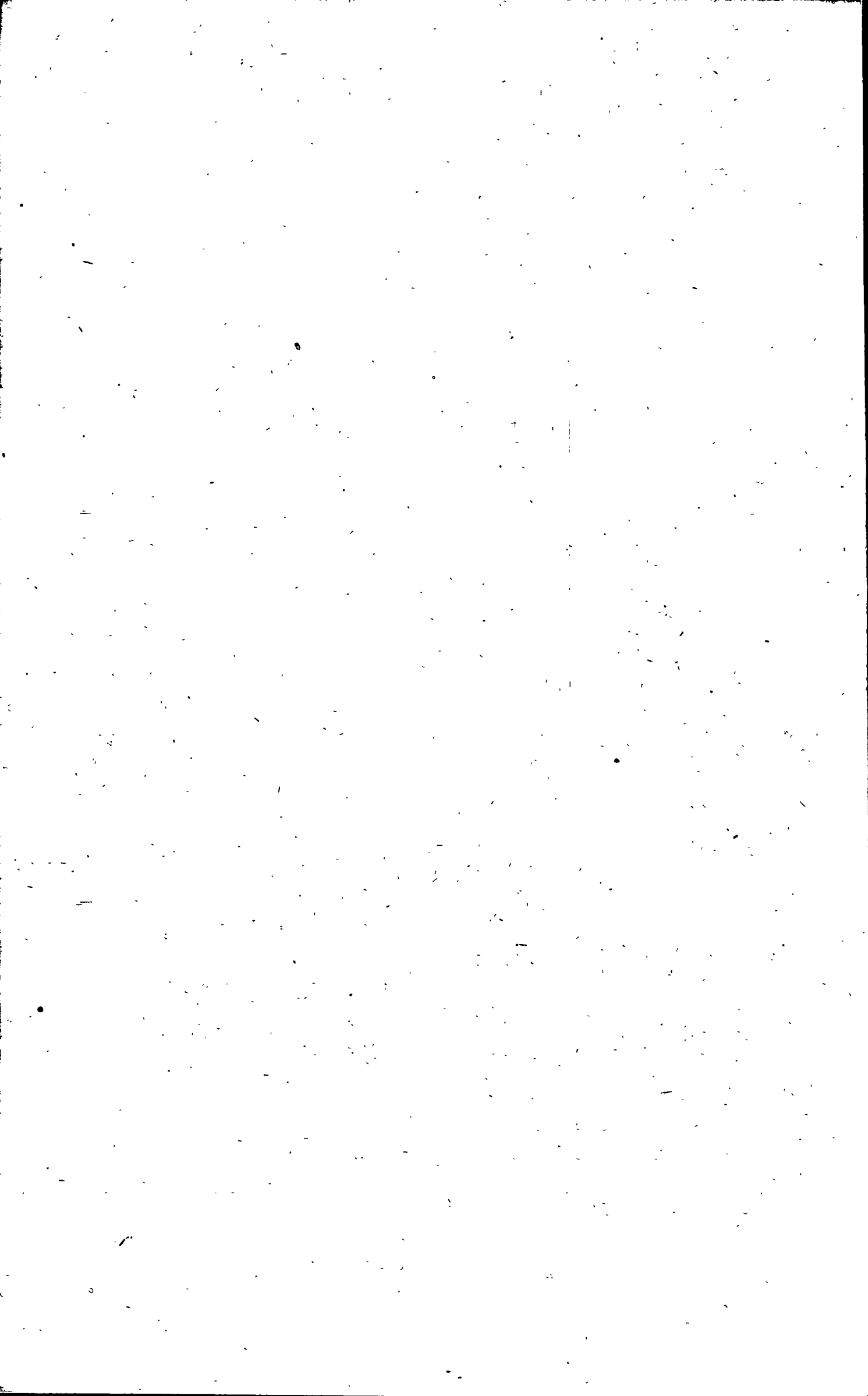
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH JULY, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. KEOGH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if it is the intention of the Government to bring in a Bill to repeal or amend the *Gold Buyers Act 1907*.
2. **MR. ROBERTSON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if, in view of the financial circumstances of some of the farmers under the Closer Settlement Act, caused by the extended drought, he will, at an early date, bring in a Bill to provide for advances to deserving settlers.
3. **MR. WATT** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. If his attention has been directed to a paragraph in the *Age* newspaper of the 11th instant, reporting utterances at a lunch tendered by the Chinese citizens of Melbourne to Mr. Levien, one of our Commercial Agents in the East.
 2. If he has taken or proposes to take any steps to ascertain whether Mr. Levien was correctly reported, when he is alleged to have supported the proposal of Mr. Samuel Wong to the effect that "he hoped the Commonwealth Government would see its way clear to allow the Chinese commercial class to come here without restriction."
 3. If the report be correct, does the Minister intend to instruct Mr. Levien that, while acting as agent for Victoria, he shall not talk politics.
4. **MR. GLASS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. If he is aware that a combination or ring exists in Melbourne amongst representatives of the manufacturers of explosives, and that such combine is actively engaged in controlling prices and restricting supplies of explosives, to the very great detriment of the mining industry.
 2. Will he make inquiries into the matter and, in conjunction with the Honorable the Attorney-General, take such prompt action as the seriousness of the situation demands.
5. **MR. MCGREGOR** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways—
 1. If he is aware of the dangerous conditions under which shunters during the night-shift, work at Ballarat through the absence of proper light.
 2. If verified by inspection, will he immediately see that provision is made for sufficient light to enable the shunters to perform their duties with less risk to the lives of the men.
6. **MR. BENNETT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House why the application of Messrs. Gleeson and Beyer was refused for the lease of Prince's Court, and that of Messrs. Wirth Brothers granted after Messrs. Gleeson and Beyer had paid £100 deposit to the liquidator, Mr. Campton (who was authorized in writing to sell by the Honorable the Commissioner), and also £500 to the Lands Department at the suggestion of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey.
7. **MR. A. A. BILLSON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if, in view of the numerous fatalities arising from the use of the fire-arm known as the pea-rifle, will the Government take into early consideration the desirability of regulating the use of so dangerous a weapon.
8. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply when does the Government intend to call for tenders for the further construction of the Waranga and Mallee Channel westward from the Picaninny Creek.
9. **MR. ARGYLE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will consider the advisability of making advances (for the purpose of re-stocking) to those poor people who, owing to the drought, have lost all their dairy cows, either by death or by sale at ruinous prices.
10. **MR. MCGREGOR** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House what steps he proposes to take to provide work for the unemployed at Ballarat, and when.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACKINNON : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Compensation to Workers for injuries suffered in the course of their employment.*"
2. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the 'Weights and Measures Act 1890' and for other purposes.*"
3. MR. MACKEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill amending, and declaring the Law relating to Settled Estates and Settled Land.*"
4. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to revoke the permanent reservation and Crown Grant of certain Land at Elsternwick in the Municipal District of Brighton.*"
5. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a hairdresser, or barber, or wig-maker.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. CASTLEMAINE LAND BILL—Second reading.
3. ARTIFICIAL MANURES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading.
5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL—Second reading.
10. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
11. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 16TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. WATT : To move, That a respectful address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed before this House the papers relating to the convict Manning.

(After one o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Ultima to Eureka.

TUESDAY, 21ST JULY.
Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the question of connecting Strathbogie by means of a railway with the existing railway system, and of loading the lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
3. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toutcher*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 21st JULY, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. TUNNECLIFFE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House how many men and boys were appointed to the permanent staff of the Railway Department as a result of the last ballot taken in November, 1907.
2. **MR. KIRTON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he considers it possible to devise any means, legislative or otherwise, whereby the deplorable sacrifice of child life through accidental burning can be prevented.
3. **MR. TOUCHER** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he is aware that platelayers are frequently called upon to perform work on Sundays just immediately after the traffic ceases at midnight on Saturdays, without any extra pay for such work ; if so, will he in future provide for double pay for such Sunday work.
4. **MR. MCGREGOR** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will see that in all future appointments to the State Parliamentary Staff the conditions governing such appointments under the Constitution Act Amendment Act are strictly complied with.
5. **MR. KEOGH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture whether the quarantine regulations for cattle tick have been altered ; if so, in what way, and why was the alteration made.
6. **MR. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will lay on the table of the Library the agreement between the Railway Department and the McIvor Timber and Firewood Company, respecting the use of Government rolling-stock on the tramway owned and controlled by the said company.
7. **MR. KEOGH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture what provision has been made for freezing accommodation.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **SIR THOMAS BENT** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Ultima towards Eureka.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY.

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THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

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General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. McCUTCHEON** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. Has the recent Acting-Actuary for Friendly Societies passed the necessary examinations to qualify him as Actuary, in accordance with the arrangement made in the House in December, 1906, by which he got eighteen months' time to qualify.
 2. If he has so qualified, will the Government now make his appointment permanent instead of acting.
 3. If he has not so qualified, will the Government take steps to secure for the Friendly Societies, without further delay, the services of a competent Actuary.
2. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House if the Crown Law Department has returned the reports, papers, and Crown Solicitor's opinion with regard to the salt-adulterated chaff sold recently ; if so, what is being done in connexion with this matter.
3. **MR. TUNNECLIFFE** : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. (a) The number of times the meat at Yarra Bend Asylum has been reported as being inferior to specification ; (b) the dates of such reports, and to whom made.
 2. Has any action been taken upon such reports ; if so, when ; if not, the reason why.
 3. (a) Who is responsible for the receipt as per specification of meat at the asylum named ; (b) has such officer personally performed his duty, or has he deputed the work to others ; if the work has been so deputed, why.
 4. Has the officer who reported the meat as being inferior been relieved of the duty of receiving it ; if so, why.
4. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if, in view of the statement made by him that the construction of the Waranga-Mallee channel cannot at present be proceeded with, he will take immediate action with a view to the construction of substantial works on the Loddon, Avoca, and other streams, for the purpose of conserving water which now, in many cases, runs to waste.
5. **MR. BENNETT** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will give instructions that Victorian-made paint shall be used in the painting of the Exhibition Building.
6. **MR. McGRATH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. If he is aware that the Kamarooka Gold Mining Company No Liability, carrying on operations at Bendigo (shareholders in Ballarat District), has been placed in liquidation by the legal manager and two of his nominee directors, despite the fact that the majority of shareholders are paying their calls, and are able and willing to continue the business of the mine under proper management.
 2. Is it a fact that this has been done to avoid investigation by the shareholders of the past management of the company, as the liquidator is appointed by a majority of creditors only.
 3. Will he bring in such legislation as will prevent the possibility of managers or companies misusing the Companies Acts in this manner.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*unopposed*) :—

1. **MR. BENNETT** : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The total amount paid to the Registrar of Titles as an Assurance Fund under the provisions of section 42 of the *Transfer of Land Act 1890* or of any previous Act relating to real property.
 2. The total amount paid out of such Fund.
 3. The total amount of claims made against such Fund.

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NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the question of connecting the Mornington and Great Southern Railways by means of a railway, and of loading the lands enhanced in value by the construction of the railway, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report.
2. MR. MACKEY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill constituting the Mayor Councillors and Citizens of the City of South Melbourne the Trustees of the Mechanics' Institute in the said City.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ARTIFICIAL MANURES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
2. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
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General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. WATT: To move, That a respectful address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed before this House the papers relating to the convict Manning.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
3. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.

(After one o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACKEY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Married Women's Property.*"

TUESDAY, 28TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. TUNNECLIFFE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House how many men and boys were appointed to the permanent staff of the Railway Department as a result of the last ballot taken in November, 1907.
2. MR. TOUTCHER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he is aware that platelayers are frequently called upon to perform work on Sundays just immediately after the traffic ceases at midnight on Saturdays, without any extra pay for such work; if so, will he in future provide for double pay for such Sunday work.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
 2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
 3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Tutchner*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 8.

THURSDAY, 23RD JULY, 1908.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
3. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- *1. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to regulate the conditions under which Medical Men may be elected or appointed to positions in the Melbourne Hospital and for other purposes.*"
2. MR. WATT: To move, That a respectful address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed before this House the papers relating to the convict Manning.

(After one o'clock.)

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACKAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Married Women's Property.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
4. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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11. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- *12. SOUTH MELBOURNE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE BILL—Second reading.

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

TUESDAY, 28TH JULY.

Questions.

1. MR. TUNNECLIFFE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House how many men and boys were appointed to the permanent staff of the Railway Department as a result of the last ballot taken in November, 1907.
2. MR. TOUTCHER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he is aware that platelayers are frequently called upon to perform work on Sundays just immediately after the traffic ceases at midnight on Saturdays, without any extra pay for such work ; if so, will he in future provide for double pay for such Sunday work.
3. MR. McGRATH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines—
 1. If he is aware that the Kamarooka Gold Mining Company No Liability, carrying on operations at Bendigo (shareholders in Ballarat District), has been placed in liquidation by the legal manager and two of his nominee directors, despite the fact that the majority of shareholders are paying their calls, and are able and willing to continue the business of the mine under proper management.
 2. Is it a fact that this has been done to avoid investigation by the shareholders of the past management of the company, as the liquidator is appointed by a majority of creditors only.
 3. Will he bring in such legislation as will prevent the possibility of managers or companies misusing the Companies Acts in this manner.
4. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if, in view of the statement made by him that the construction of the Waranga-Mallee channel cannot at present be proceeded with, he will take immediate action with a view to the construction of substantial works on the Loddon, Avoca, and other streams, for the purpose of conserving water which now, in many cases, runs to waste.
- *5. MR. McGRATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House what the municipal valuation in 1904 and in 1907 was of the 14 acres of land at the corner of Creswick-road and Essex-street, Ballarat, bought by the Government in 1904 for £1,482.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a wire worker using six-gauge or smaller wire.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

- 1 MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toutcher*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.

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No. 9.

TUESDAY, 28TH JULY, 1908.

Questions.

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3. MR. McLEOD : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Mines Acts.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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13. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
15. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY.

Question.

1. MR. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will inform the House—
 1. How many mines in the Bendigo district, in which the temperature was found to be 83 degrees or over, have been inspected by the Chief Inspector of Mines since the passing of Act No. 2127.
 2. Has anything been done in those cases where the temperature was found to exceed 83 degrees to bring into operation the six-hour shifts; if so, in how many instances.
 3. In how many mines in the Bendigo district has the Chief Inspector ordered alterations to be made with a view to improving the ventilation in such mines.
 4. Are such instructions being obeyed; if not, why.

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Touthcher*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
4. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 28th July.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—At half-past three o'clock.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. McGRATH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House what the municipal valuation in 1904 and in 1907 was of the 14 acres of land at the corner of Creswick-road and Essex-street, Ballarat, bought by the Government in 1904 for £1,432.
2. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines if he will inform the House—
 1. How many mines in the Bendigo district, in which the temperature was found to be 83 degrees or over, have been inspected by the Chief Inspector of Mines since the passing of Act No. 2127.
 2. Has anything been done in those cases where the temperature was found to exceed 83 degrees to bring into operation the six-hour shifts ; if so, in how many instances.
 3. In how many mines in the Bendigo district has the Chief Inspector ordered alterations to be made with a view to improving the ventilation in such mines.
 4. Are such instructions being obeyed; if not, why.
3. MR. KIRTON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House why an unnecessary, inconvenient, and expensive barrier system has been introduced at the Western Railway Station, Ballarat.
4. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if it is the intention of the Government to give effect to the suggestion of the Chairman of the Railways Commissioners, made at the Newport workshops, "to restore the privilege tickets to enable the employes to go for an occasional cheap trip," and thus increase the revenue to the Department.
5. MR. KEOGH : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House how many acres of land are available for selection in Victoria, exclusive of grazing areas and Mallee lands.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. McLEOD : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Mining Development Acts.*"
2. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to regulate the use of Motor Cars.*"
3. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Licensing of Estate and other Agents.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading
4. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.
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10. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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. ELMSLIE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding.*"
2. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Money Lenders.*"

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
2. MR. WATT: To move, That a respectful address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed before this House the papers relating to the convict Manning.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 4TH AUGUST.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
4. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
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PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.

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- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 4.
 - Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.
 - Dentistry Bill—[2].
 - Artificial Manures Bill—[14]. (To Members of Council only.)
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 - Elsternwick Land Bill—[34]. (To Members of Council only.)
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 - Fences Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Robertson.) (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 11.

THURSDAY, 30TH JULY, 1908.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
2. MR. WATT : To move, That a respectful address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed before this House the papers relating to the convict Manning.
3. MR. ELMSLIE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding.*"
4. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to Money Lenders.*"
- *5. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing separately all fines imposed under (a) The Milk and Dairy Supervision Act; (b) The Pure Food Act; (c) The Factories and Shops Acts, specifying—

Name of Person or Firm Fined	Nature of Offence.	Amount of Fine.	Locality where Offence committed.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

- *1. MR. MACKAY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the vesting of certain Lands for the purposes of the Ballarat South-street Debating Society and Public Library for reducing the width of certain streets in the Town of Ballarat East and for other purposes.*"

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading
3. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading.
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 1. If the Storeman at the Yarra Bend Asylum took delivery of the meat from the contractor, having been deputed by the Secretary of the Hospitals for the Insane at Yarra Bend to do so prior to 1st July, 1908.
 2. Did the Storeman report to the Secretary, the Medical Superintendent, or the Inspector-General of Lunatic Asylums "That meat inferior to the specifications was being delivered at the Asylum"; if so, the number of reports to each officer respectively.
 3. Did the Inspector-General of Lunatic Asylums report such cases as were admitted in the reply of the Honorable the Chief Secretary on the 22nd instant, or to the Tender Board; if to the latter, who informs the political head of the Department.
 4. Does the Honorable the Minister propose to take steps to review the conditions of this contract.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
- *3. MINING DEVELOPMENT ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toutcher*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
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Agents Bill—[8].

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No. 12.

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6. **MR. HARRIS**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. If he will arrange to make advances for restocking purposes to necessitous persons who have lost their dairy cows through drought or other causes.
 2. If he will introduce a Bill similar to the New Zealand Advances to Settlers Act.
7. **MR. CRAVEN**: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House how long it will be before he introduces the Registration of Brands Bill which he is preparing.
8. **MR. HARRIS**: To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. If he will bring in a Bill to amend the Railway Lands Acquisition Act so as to provide for the profits of railways being used to liquidate the liabilities of Railway Trusts or others after the interest upon cost of construction and working expenses has been paid.
 2. If he will lay on the table of the Library at an early date a return showing the financial position of the Lilydale to Warburton railway to the end of the last financial year, 30th June, 1908.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. MACKAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the revocation of the Permanent Reservation of portion of certain Land reserved as a Site for Race-course and other purposes of Public Recreation at Gobur."

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. MINING DEVELOPMENT ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
3. FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—Consideration of Report.
4. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
5. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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15. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. BALLARAT EAST LANDS BILL—Second reading.
17. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
4. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
2. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
4. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

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1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 4th August.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at four o'clock.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—at seven o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

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Chaff Sales Bill—[41].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 13.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH AUGUST, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. KEOGH** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House how many acres of land are available for selection in Victoria, exclusive of grazing areas and Mallee lands, and what land does the Honorable the Commissioner intend to make available this year.
2. **MR. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. If he will arrange to make advances for restocking purposes to necessitous persons who have lost their dairy cows through drought or other causes.
 2. If he will introduce a Bill similar to the New Zealand Advances to Settlers Act.
3. **MR. WARDE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House under what conditions meat is killed in Queensland and brought into Victoria for consumption.
4. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Forests whether he has yet dealt with the many applications for licences for permission to gather eucalyptus leaves for the manufacture of eucalyptus oil ; if so, when will such licences be issued.
5. **MR. KEOGH** : To ask the Honorable the Premier, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he will inform the House whether it is true that the local people are called upon to provide building accommodation for cookery and sloyd classes in country centres, and that such accommodation is found free of charge in the Melbourne and suburban centres ; if so, will the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction give instructions that in future cookery and sloyd classes are to be placed on the same footing in country centres as those in the metropolitan centres.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **MR. SWINBURNE** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Water Act. 1905.'"
2. **SIR THOMAS BENT** : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 2ft. 6in. line of railway from Beech Forest to the Camping Reserve on the Laver's Hill and Wangerrip-road.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. **LAND VALUATION BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. **MINING DEVELOPMENT ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2)**—To be further considered in Committee.
3. **FENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**—Consideration of Report.
4. **WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL**—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
5. **SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL**—Second reading.

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17. GOBUR LAND BILL—Second reading.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
4. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST:

Questions.

1. MR. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. If he will bring in a Bill to amend the Railway Lands Acquisition Act so as to provide for the profits of railways being used to liquidate the liabilities of Railway Trusts or others after the interest upon cost of construction and working expenses has been paid.
 2. If he will lay on the table of the Library at an early date a return showing the financial position of the Lilydale to Warburton railway to the end of the last financial year, 30th June, 1908.
2. MR. BEAZLEY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. What was the amount of the accepted tender for the building of the new Railway Station at Flinders-street.
 2. How much has the contractor been paid up to date.
 3. What is the estimated balance due to him.
 4. What alterations have been made in the original plans since the acceptance of the tender, and what is the estimated cost of such alterations.
 5. When is it expected the work will be completed.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.

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2. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
4. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

THURSDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1908.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.
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(After one o'clock.)

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19. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

- *1. BEECH FOREST AND CROWE'S RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. HARRIS : To ask the Honorable the Premier—

1. If he will bring in a Bill to amend the Railway Lands Acquisition Act so as to provide for the profits of railways being used to liquidate the liabilities of Railway Trusts or others after the interest upon cost of construction and working expenses has been paid.
2. If he will lay on the table of the Library at an early date a return showing the financial position of the Lilydale to Warburton railway to the end of the last financial year, 30th June, 1908.

2. MR. BEAZLEY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—

1. What was the amount of the accepted tender for the building of the new Railway Station at Flinders-street.
2. How much has the contractor been paid up to date.
3. What is it estimated the total cost will be when completed.
4. What alterations have been made in the original plans since the acceptance of the tender, and what is the estimated cost of such alterations.
5. When is it expected the work will be completed.

3. MR. KEOGH : To ask the Honorable the Premier, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, if he will inform the House whether it is true that the local people are called upon to provide building accommodation for cookery and sloyd classes in country centres, and that such accommodation is found free of charge in the Melbourne and suburban centres ; if so, will the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction give instructions that in future cookery and sloyd classes are to be placed on the same footing in country centres as those in the metropolitan centres.

4. MR. MCGREGOR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House if it is a fact that a number of locomotive boilers recently in use on the Victorian Railways were so faulty that they had to be taken out of running and sent to the workshops for repair ; if so, will he state the number and class of engines, and whether they were used for passenger or goods trains ; also if the boilers were of high or low pressure, and the cause of their failure.

5. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House—

1. When does he intend to appoint the Stallion Appeal Board.
2. Will the members of the Board be selected from outside the Department.
3. Is it intended to prevent the owners of horses that have been pronounced unsound previous to the appointment of the Board having the right to appeal ; if so, why.

6. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House whether he has dealt with the various applications made to him for assistance by selectors of Mallee and other lands in the parish of Borung, near Korong Vale, on the occasion of his visit to that locality on the 12th June last ; if so, what is the result of his determination thereon.

7. MR. WARDE : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will kindly inform the House of his decision in reference to granting the privilege of the eight hours system to engine-drivers and firemen employed on the Victorian railways.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the 'Factories and Shops Acts'"
2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Management of the Victorian Railways."

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
3. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
4. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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14. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. BALLARAT EAST LANDS BILL—Second reading.
16. GOBUR LAND BILL—Second reading.
17. WATER ACT 1905 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 13TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
2. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
4. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
6. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. BEAZLEY:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. What was the amount of the accepted tender for the building of the new Railway Station at Flinders-street.
 2. How much has the contractor been paid up to date.
 3. What is it estimated the total cost will be when completed.
 4. What alterations have been made in the original plans since the acceptance of the tender, and what is the estimated cost of such alterations.
 5. When is it expected the work will be completed.
2. **MR. WARDE:** To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will kindly inform the House of his decision in reference to granting the privilege of the eight hours system to the engine-drivers and firemen employed on the suburban system of the Victorian Railways.
3. **MR. A. A. BILLSON:** To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
 1. If the proposal to bring the cadets to Melbourne to take part in the welcome to the American Fleet has been abandoned; if so, will he give the reasons.
 2. Does he think a proper consideration will be shown to so important a body as the cadets in excluding them from participating in an event of such broad-national character.
4. **MR. BAYLES:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House of the names, and their then addresses and occupations, of the successful applicants for leases of "Clerks' Homes" at Glen Huntly, and if he will also lay on the table of the Library copies of the declarations made by the successful applicants as to their means.
5. **MR. ELMSLIE:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply—
 1. If he will lay on the table of the Library all papers in connexion with the calling and acceptance of tenders for the supply of pumping plants at White Cliffs, Nyah, Koondrook, and Swan Hill.
 2. If he will inform the House of the names of the experts consulted by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission in connexion with the above.
6. **MR. LANGDON:** To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House—
 1. If it is a fact that the Lands Purchase and Management Board has lately bought an estate in the Gunbower District for Closer Settlement purposes, paying £12 per acre for same; if so, does he think it a fair price to pay for land for Closer Settlement purposes in that locality.
 2. Is he aware that land in the same district was lately purchased by the same Board at less than £3 per acre for similar purposes.
 3. Is it not a fact that other estates in the same neighbourhood are available at less than £5 per acre.
7. **MR. LEMMON:** To ask the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply if he will inform the House whether it is a fact that in connexion with the pumping machinery contract, the condition of contract to the effect that goods and materials used in connexion therewith were to be "made in Australia" was struck out.
8. **MR. KEOGH:** To ask the Honorable the Treasurer if he will place a sum of money on the Estimates for the better equipment of Schools of Mines.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACKINNON : To move, That in pursuance of the Act of Parliament No. 1105, section 177, an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that the Court of General Sessions of the Peace hitherto held at Palmerston may cease to be so held, and that in lieu thereof the said Court of General Sessions of the Peace may be held at Yarram Yarram.

Contingent on the foregoing being carried—

2. MR. MACKINNON : To move, That the following be the Address :—

To His Excellency Sir Thomas David Gibson-Carmichael, Baronet, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, pray that the Court of General Sessions of the Peace hitherto held at Palmerston may cease to be so held, and that in lieu thereof the said Court of General Sessions of the Peace may be held at Yarram Yarram.

3. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest price or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of ice for trade or sale, or of a person carrying on the business of freezing, refrigerating, packing, or grading goods of any kind for the purpose of trade or sale in a frozen or refrigerated condition, other than ice cream.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST:

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(Mr. Beazley)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(Mr. Holden)—Second reading.
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6. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(Mr. Graham)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 27TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(Mr. Elmslie)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(Mr. Outtrim)—To be further considered in Committee.
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THURSDAY, 13TH, AUGUST, 1908.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. GOVERNMENT STATIST BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
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6. CHAFF ADULTERATION BILL—(*Mr. Graham*)—Second reading.

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(Until one o'clock.)

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THURSDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

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(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

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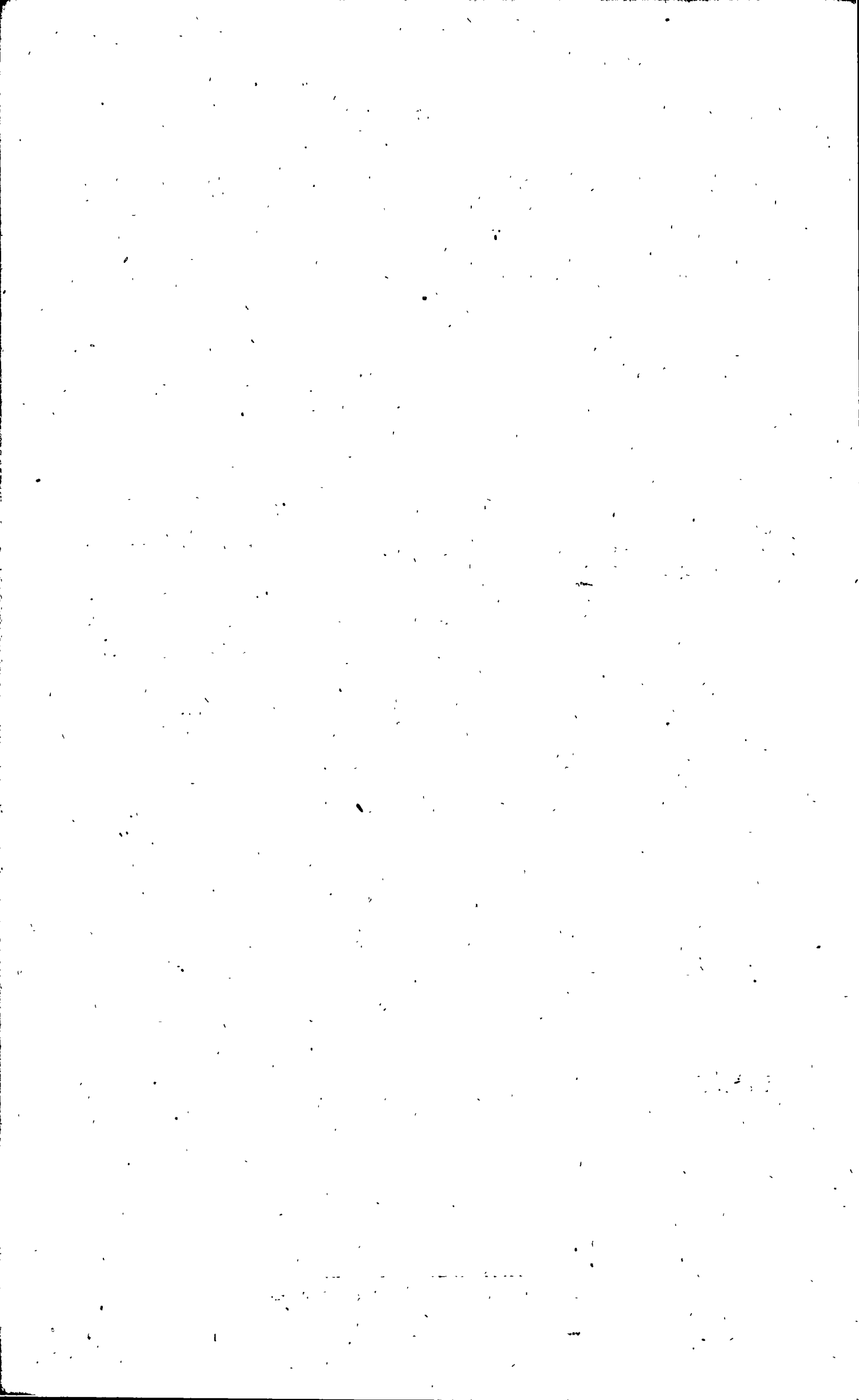
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1908.

Questions.

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2. MR. FARRER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House—
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 2. Why were oats from the same place admitted without question, and not prohibited or treated in the same way as the hay.
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1. MR. ELMSLIE : To move, That the action of the Minister of Water Supply in dealing with tenders, contracts, and supplies for the Water Supply Department is of such a character as to merit the severe censure of this House; and, further, that the policy pursued has been in defiance of the instruction of this House as determined by resolution on the 17th October, 1905.

Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 17TH SEPTEMBER.

(Until one o'clock.)

General Business.

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No. 21.

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4. MR. ROBERTSON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey—
 1. If he is aware that a large number of farmers (about 27) on the Exford Estate are still practically cut off from trade with the town of Melton, which is also the local live stock market town.
 2. Has he gone into the matter and urged the Closer Settlement Board to do what they could to get proper road accommodation for the settlers in accordance with the promise made on the 4th December, 1907 (*Hansard*, Vol. 118, page 2961) ; if so, should any legal expenses be incurred, how far will the Board go in support of the Melton Shire Council using its powers to open, by natural gradient, the road which was formerly in use.
 3. Were the settlers led to believe that there was a road enabling them to go from the main road near Exford Bridge direct to Melton railway station and the town of Melton.
 4. Was this road absolutely closed against their traffic immediately after the settlers had taken up their blocks.

5. Does he, or the Board, contemplate opening any road requiring a bridge across the River Worribee; if so, what would be the cost as compared with the opening of the road as described in question No. 3.
6. How much money did the Board retain towards (a) roadmaking, and (b) other contingencies; and what amount of money has been spent on each respectively.

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General Business.

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NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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General Business.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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No. 25.

THURSDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1908.

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3. The places to which they have been sent, and the nature of the employment.

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Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER.

Question.

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Government Business.

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1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

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 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economics, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
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6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
 - (b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

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Government Business.

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THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

THOS. G. WATSON,
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- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Bromley, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 27.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
 1. Whether he is aware that much dissatisfaction exists in country districts in regard to the result of weighing grain and other produce over public weighbridges at railway stations and other places ; if so, does the Government intend introducing legislation dealing with the subject ; otherwise will they appoint efficient officers to regularly inspect and see that such weighbridges are kept in good order and properly adjusted.
 2. Will the Government insist that all grain consigned to Williamstown for direct shipment be weighed in truckloads over the weighbridges erected there by the Railways Commissioners for that specific purpose.
2. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Labour if he will inform the House—
 1. How many persons have registered at the Labour Bureau, Bendigo, since it was opened.
 2. How many of the men who registered there have been given employment.
 3. The places to which they have been sent, and the nature of the employment.
3. MR. WARDE : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
 1. When tenders will be called for putting the State schools in Footscray, viz., the Hyde-street and Geelong-road schools, in a sanitary condition.
 2. If it is a fact that the plans necessary for such work have been ready for some time in the Public Works Department, and that no action has been taken by the Education Department to carry out the work.
4. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House—
 1. If there is any similarity between the epidemic of influenza, at present affecting horses in this State, and the disease known as "snotty nose," a South African horse ailment.
 2. Does he consider it possible that this disease has been introduced here by the importation of fodder from South Africa.
5. MR. LIVINGSTON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if it is his intention to load the remaining blocks of land shortly to be thrown open for selection in the parish of Bulga, South Gippsland, in view of the fact that improved leasehold land in the immediate vicinity can be purchased at from £5 to £6 per acre.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*unopposed*) :—

1. MR. LIVINGSTON : To move, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The amount of fines imposed on selectors on each estate under the *Closer Settlement Act 1904* since its initiation.
 2. The number of selectors who have paid 16 per cent., also the number who have paid over 16 per cent.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. MACKEY : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Supplying Owners of Land with Wire Netting for Vermin-proof Fences.*"

2. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States, the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

3. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. LAND VALUATION BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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16. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. BALLARAT EAST LANDS BILL—Second reading.
18. WATER ACT 1905 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. CHAFF SALE REGULATION BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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11. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.
12. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(Mr. Elmslie)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 6th October.

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

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Dentists Bill. (Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. J. Sternberg.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 24, 25, and 26.

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Married Women's Property Bill—[48].

Workers' Accidents Compensation Bill—

(Amendments to be made in Committee by Mr. Lemmon.)

(Amendment to be proposed by Mr. Lemmon on the consideration of the Report.)

Ballarat East Land Bill—[56].

Chaff and Stock Food Bill—[60].

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 28.

THURSDAY, 1ST OCTOBER, 1908.

General Business. (Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
3. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
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11. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
12. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

Government Business. (After one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- *1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the compliance by the several Departments of the State with the Order of the House contained in the resolution agreed to on the 17th October, 1905, relative to Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers, such Committee to consist of Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Oman, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Robertson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.
- *2. MR. MACKAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to codify consolidate and amend the Law relating to Crimes."
- *3. MR. MACKAY: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to further amend the 'Gaols Act 1890.'"

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4. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

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That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

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7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
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Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

5. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
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3. MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. BALLAARAT EAST LANDS BILL—Second reading.
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6. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER.

Questions.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
1. Whether he is aware that much dissatisfaction exists in country districts in regard to the result of weighing grain and other produce over public weighbridges at railway stations and other places ; if so, does the Government intend introducing legislation dealing with the subject ; otherwise will they appoint efficient officers to regularly inspect and see that such weighbridges are kept in good order and properly adjusted.
 2. Will the Government insist that all grain consigned to Williamstown for direct shipment be weighed in truckloads over the weighbridges erected there by the Railways Commissioners for that specific purpose.
2. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Labour if he will inform the House—
1. How many persons have registered at the Labour Bureau, Bendigo, since it was opened.
 2. How many of the men who registered there have been given employment.
 3. The places to which they have been sent, and the nature of the employment.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

- *1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Valuation and Rating of Land by Municipalities and for other purposes.*"

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

THOS. G. WATSON,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 6th October.

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

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 29.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
 1. Whether he is aware that much dissatisfaction exists in country districts in regard to the result of weighing grain and other produce over public weighbridges at railway stations and other places ; if so, does the Government intend introducing legislation dealing with the subject ; otherwise will they appoint efficient officers to regularly inspect and see that such weighbridges are kept in good order and properly adjusted.
 2. Will the Government insist that all grain consigned to Williamstown for direct shipment be weighed in truckloads over the weighbridges erected there by the Railways Commissioners for that specific purpose.
2. **MR. SMITH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Labour if he will inform the House—
 1. How many persons have registered at the Labour Bureau, Bendigo, since it was opened.
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 3. The places to which they have been sent, and the nature of the employment.
3. **MR. GRAY** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House what is the size of the Mallee Allotments that are being surveyed for settlement at Ouyen and Pinnaroo.
4. **MR. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House when the experimental farm between Moe and the Tyers River will be proceeded with.
5. **MR. GRAHAM** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture—
 1. If he is aware that large quantities of slaughtered meat are being landed in Victoria from other States.
 2. If he is satisfied that the conditions of supervision under which this meat is slaughtered at the port of shipment are such as to meet the requirements of the Act under which meat is slaughtered in Victoria.
6. **MR. HARRIS** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House what decision (if any) has been arrived at by the Cabinet regarding aid to settlers, to enable them to replace their loss of stock through drought or other causes ; if no decision has yet been arrived at, when may same be expected.
7. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House if it is the intention of the Government to take any action this Session for the purpose of more effectively dealing with bush fires.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. **SIR THOMAS BENT** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Valuation and Rating of Land by Municipalities and for other purposes.*"
2. **SIR THOMAS BENT** : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Stamps Acts.*"
3. **MR. MACKEY** : To move. That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, in accordance with Standing Order No. 131 relating to Private Bills, and that the Bill to provide for the vesting of certain lands for the purposes of the Ballarat South-street Debating Society and Public Library for reducing the Width of certain Streets in the Town of Ballarat East and for other purposes be treated as a Public Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee
2. WIRE NETTING BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. BALLAARAT EAST LANDS BILL—Second reading.
4. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
5. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MOTOR CARS BILL—Second reading.
7. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL—Second reading.
10. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
11. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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16. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. CHAFF SALE REGULATION BILL—Second reading.
18. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States, the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.

7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
- (b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
4. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
6. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
7. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
8. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
9. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 6th October.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—at half past three o'clock.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at four o'clock.

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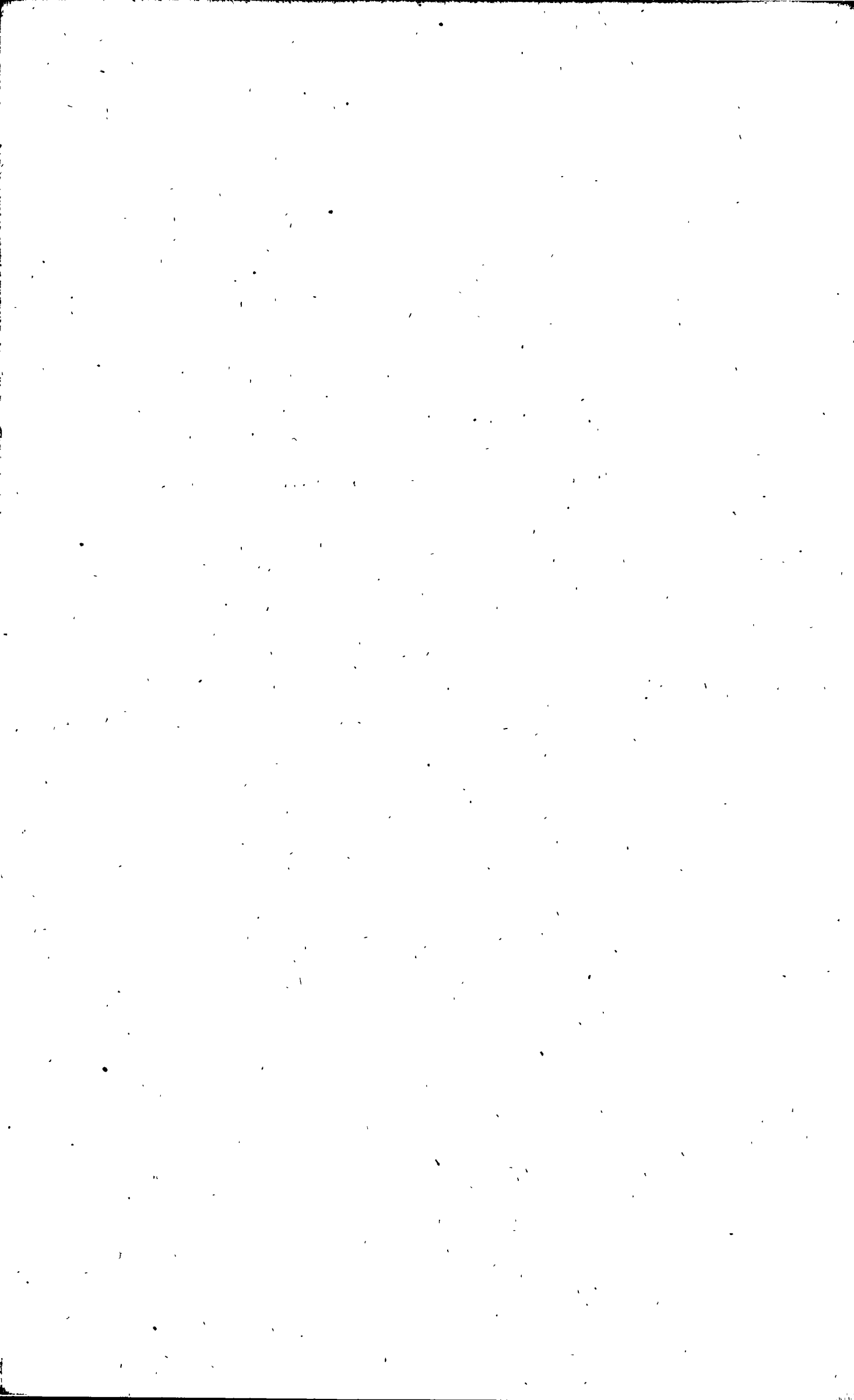
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. J. CAMERON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture what steps are being taken to secure a conveniently situated and commodious site for a Veterinary Research Institute and College buildings necessary for the carrying on of the recently established University veterinary course, and when it is likely that such a site will be secured.
2. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
 1. If the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners have complied in all respects with section 93 of the Geelong Harbor Trust Act.
 2. What day and month in each year have the accounts referred to in sub-section (2) of that section to be furnished to the Governor in Council.
 3. When the last account was furnished and the date thereof.
 4. If he will lay such account, with any others, on the table of the Library.
 5. How much money, if any, is there now to the credit of the fund mentioned in section 87 of the Act as the "Geelong Harbor Trust Fund."

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Completion of the Moe and Walkalla Railway.*"
2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Compulsory Purchase of Land.*"
3. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

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7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
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8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

4. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STAMPS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
2. WIRE NETTING BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. WATER ACT 1905 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading.
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9. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL—Second reading.
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16. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
20. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 8TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business connected with or incidental to the manufacturing or making of—
 - (a) Carriages, carts, and other vehicles (other than perambulators), or any part or parts thereof, such as the ironwork or bodies, hoods, cushions, springs, axles, wheels, tires, rims, hubs, or spokes.
 - (b) Motor car bodies or any part or parts thereof, such as the hoods or cushions.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
4. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
6. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
7. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
8. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
9. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 13th October.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at a quarter past two o'clock.

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- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
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- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Oman.

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 Gaols Bill—[69].
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 Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the Year ended 30th June, 1908. No. 32.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 31.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1908.

Question.

1. MR. LEMMON: To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. What were the qualifications of the successful applicant for the recently-filled position of head attendant at the Sunbury Lunatic Asylum.
 2. In what respect were the qualifications superior to those of other applicants.
 3. If the successful applicant has ever performed the duties of head attendant in any asylum.
 4. Why the principle of seniority was not observed in this case as was previously done in a similar class of appointment.
 5. If seniority were not observed, was the position made competitive amongst the various applicants; if not, on what grounds was the appointment made, seeing that merit would furnish the only reason for a departure from the established practice.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK: To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business connected with or incidental to the manufacturing or making of—
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ARTIFICIAL MANURES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—AMENDMENTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
2. WATER ACT 1905 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CHAFF SALE REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Third reading.
5. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
6. MOTOR CARS BILL—Second reading.
7. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL—Second reading
9. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
10. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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14. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
18. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
19. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

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2. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
3. MR. KEAST: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the agreement between the Victorian Railways Commissioners and Mr. Merz, electrical engineer.
4. MR. PRENDERGAST: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Abolition of Plural Voting and for other purposes.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.*General Business.*

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
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7. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
8. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading
9. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.

5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States, the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY COMPLETION BILL—Second reading.
2. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 13th October.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at a quarter past two o'clock.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—at half-past three o'clock.

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Administration and Probate Duties Bill—[72]. (To Members of Council only.)

Stamps Bill—[74]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Artificial Manures Acts Further Amendment Bill. (Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Weights and Measures Bill—[11]. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. Whether inquiries were made on his behalf by Mr. Swinburne relative to the absence of the minimum wage provision in the contract for turn-tables for the Railway Department ; if so, what was the result of such inquiries.
 2. If he is aware that, since the discussion in the House, the Department has called for tenders for another contract (No. 18685) for four more turn-tables, with no minimum wage provision.
 3. As it is a fact that no Wages Board Determination applies to engineering manufacturers, when does he intend giving effect to his promise given upon 4th December, 1907, and recorded in *Hansard*, page 2940, as follows :—"in contracts where the wages were not guarded by the Factories and Shops Act the minimum wage provision should be inserted, that would be done."
2. MR. LIVINGSTON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. If he is aware that the Chairman of the Railways Commissioners has refused to pay compensation to railway employes and their wives and children who were injured in the Sunshine railway accident on the ground that they were travelling on passes, and that the Commissioners deny all liability.
 2. If he supports the attitude of the Commissioners ; if not, will he see that the employes are treated in a similar manner to the ordinary public.
3. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Forests—
 1. If he is aware that large quantities of trees and plants are being distributed from the State public gardens and nurseries to private people.
 2. If he will inform the House what is the quantity and the nature of the trees and plants distributed, the persons to whom they were supplied, and the estimated value.
4. MR. MEMBREY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the large increase in the revenue from the Heidelberg and Preston lines, and the rapid growth of population in these districts, he will consult the Railways Commissioners as to the desirability of completing the duplication of these lines in order that better travelling facilities may be given to the general public.
5. MR. A. A. BILLSON : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. If Mr. Harris, who was recently appointed to the position of Superintendent of the Aboriginal Station, Coranderrk, was outside the Public Service of Victoria, and above the stipulated age of 45 years.
 2. Does he not think that an injustice has been done to those in the service who are able to give proofs of their fitness for the position.
 3. If Mr. Harris possesses special qualifications ; if so, what were they.
6. MR. BAYLES : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
 1. If the financial year of the Geelong Harbor Trust closes on 31st December in each year ; if not, the day and month when such financial year closes.
 2. If such financial year closes on 31st December, the reasons why the copy of the accounts of all money received and disbursed by the Commissioners has not been laid before Parliament in accordance with section 93 of the Geelong Harbor Trust Act prior to the present date.

3. If the conditions contained in section 75 of the said Act have been carried out ; if so, will he lay the schedule and accounts mentioned in the said section on the Table of the House.
 4. If the old race-course mentioned in section 25 of the said Act has been sold in fee simple by public auction as directed by sub-section (7) of section 25 ; if not, the reason the Act has not been complied with.
 5. Is the Commissioners have purchased any lands to work as farms ; if so, under the authority of what section or sections of the said Act were such purchases made.
7. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House—
1. To what extent financially, if any, has the Government assisted the Commissioners of the Geelong Harbor Trust towards improving their harbor.
 2. If he is aware whether the said Commissioners are taking any action with the object of making the North Shore of that harbor available for shipping grain and other produce during the coming season.
8. MR. BAYLES : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House under what terms Mr. Liddy was appointed as architect to the Workmen's Homes at Glen Huntly ; if the agreement is in writing, or by letter or letters, will he lay such agreement or letter or letters on the table of the Library.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Adult Suffrage.*"
2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ouyen to Kow Plains be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CHAFF SALE REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WATER ACT 1905 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. MOTOR CARS BILL—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL—Second reading.
7. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
8. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
10. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
13. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
16. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
17. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
3. MR. KEAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the agreement between the Victorian Railways Commissioners and Mr. Merz, electrical engineer.
4. MR. PRENDERGAST : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Abolition of Plural Voting and for other purposes.*"

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
2. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
4. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
6. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
7. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
8. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
9. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolve—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1. the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
 - (b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY COMPLETION BILL—Second reading.
2. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Wednesday, 14th October.

PRINTING—at a quarter to four o'clock.

*Tuesday, 20th October.*GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at a quarter past two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, and Mr. Watt.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
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- Justices Act 1890.—Fees in Courts of Petty Sessions, and in Proceedings before a Justice or Justices. (No. 4.)
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- Port of Melbourne—Report on, by Wm. Ferguson, Esq. (No. 24.)
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 - Part VII.—Vital Statistics, &c. (No. 29.)
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- Trade Unions—Twenty-second Annual Report—Report of Actuary for Friendly Societies for 1907. (No. 16.)

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- Moe and Walhalla Railway Completion Bill—[70].



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 33.

THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 1908.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
4. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toucher*)—Second reading.
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8. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading
9. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
10. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
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Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- *1. MR. MACKAY: To move, That, he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to Education and to Officers and Teachers of the Education Department.*"

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

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7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
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8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

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ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CHAFF SALE REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MOTOR CARS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
- *5. OUYEN TO KOW PLAINS RAILWAY—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ouyen to Kow Plains be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
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10. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
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13. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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16. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
20. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

Question:

1. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Forests—
 1. If he is aware that large quantities of trees and plants are being distributed from the State public gardens and nurseries to private people.
 2. If he will inform the House what is the quantity and the nature of the trees and plants distributed, the persons to whom they were supplied, and the estimated value.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
- *2. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- *1. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient for the Special Board heretofore appointed with regard to articles of furniture (known as the Furniture Board) to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to female workers employed as upholstresses, whether as carpet hands, table hands, or drapery hands; also to male persons employed in planning, and laying carpets, or linoleums, or floorecloths, or fixing draperies.
- *2. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of all kinds of rubber goods, including rubber tyres of every description.
- *3. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a grocer, including a seller of tea.
- *4. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a seller of goods usually sold by drapers or haberdashers, including mantles, costumes, millinery, stockings, and underclothing.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 20th October.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at a quarter past two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Emslie, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.
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- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
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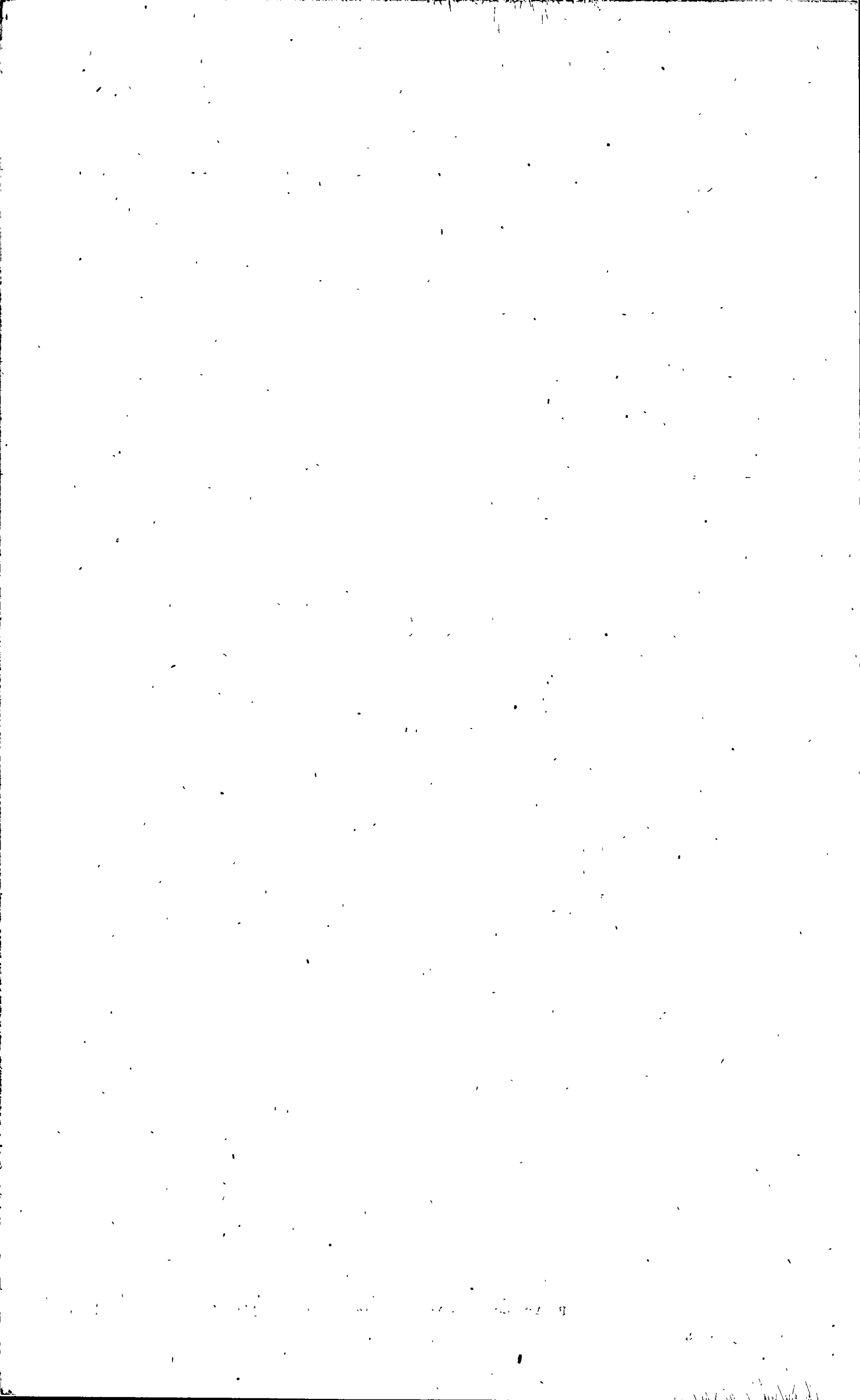
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 34.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. MCKENZIE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Mines and Forests—
 1. If he is aware that large quantities of trees and plants are being distributed from the State public gardens and nurseries to private people.
 2. If he will inform the House what is the quantity and the nature of the trees and plants distributed, the persons to whom they were supplied, and the estimated value.
2. MR. COTTER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will lay upon the table of the Library a copy of the papers in connexion with the appointment of Assistant Engineer of Construction in the Railway Department.
3. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he is aware that the officers of his Department are charging selectors of third class and inferior lands £1'10s. and over per acre ; if so, does he approve of such a policy, and does he intend to continue the administration of his Department on similar lines.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum ; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.

3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ADULT SUFFRAGE BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
2. MOTOR-CARS BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
3. CHAFF SALE REGULATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
4. OUYEN TO KOW PLAINS RAILWAY—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ouyen to Kow Plains be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
5. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
6. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
7. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. WATER ACT 1905 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
9. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
10. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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12. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
13. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY COMPLETION BILL—Second reading.
14. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. EDUCATION LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
21. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
22. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
23. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient for the Special Board heretofore appointed with regard to articles of furniture (known as the Furniture Board) to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to female workers employed as upholstresses, whether as carpet hands, table hands, or drapery hands ; also to male persons employed in planning and laying carpets, or linoleums, or floorecloths, or fixing draperies.

2. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of all kinds of rubber goods, including rubber tyres of every description.
3. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a grocer, including a seller of tea.
4. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a seller of goods usually sold by drapers or haberdashers, including mantles, costumes, millinery, stockings, and underclothing.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
3. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Touthcher*)—Second reading.
4. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
6. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
7. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
8. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Beeac to Newtown be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. PLURAL VOTING ABOLITION BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. MR. KEAST : To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the agreement between the Victorian Railways Commissioners and Mr. Merz, electrical engineer.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 20th October.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at a quarter past two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lenmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, and Mr. Watt.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.
- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS**—(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Oman.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

WEDNESDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he is aware that the officers of his Department are charging selectors of third class and inferior lands £1 10s. and over per acre ; if so, does he approve of such a policy, and does he intend to continue the administration of his Department on similar lines.
2. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier when he proposes to give effect to his promise to provide a Wages Board for miners.
3. MR. STANLEY : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the urgency for settling the country between Ouyen and Pinnaroo, he will take immediate steps to proceed with the survey and construction of a line of railway through that district.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved:—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
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20. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
21. COMPANIES NAMES BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
22. MARRIAGE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
23. MEDICAL EVIDENCE BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
24. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
25. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER.*General Business.*

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
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ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.*Question.*

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 1. If he will recommend the Railways Commissioners to reduce the freight on chilled meat, so as to permit of the advantages of slaughtering in the country freezing works for export.
 2. What is the number of country freezing works in the State, and where situated.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.*General Business.*

(Until one o'clock.)

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THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.*General Business.*

(Until one o'clock.)

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1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 27th October.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at half-past two o'clock.

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- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
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- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.
- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS**—(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Oman.

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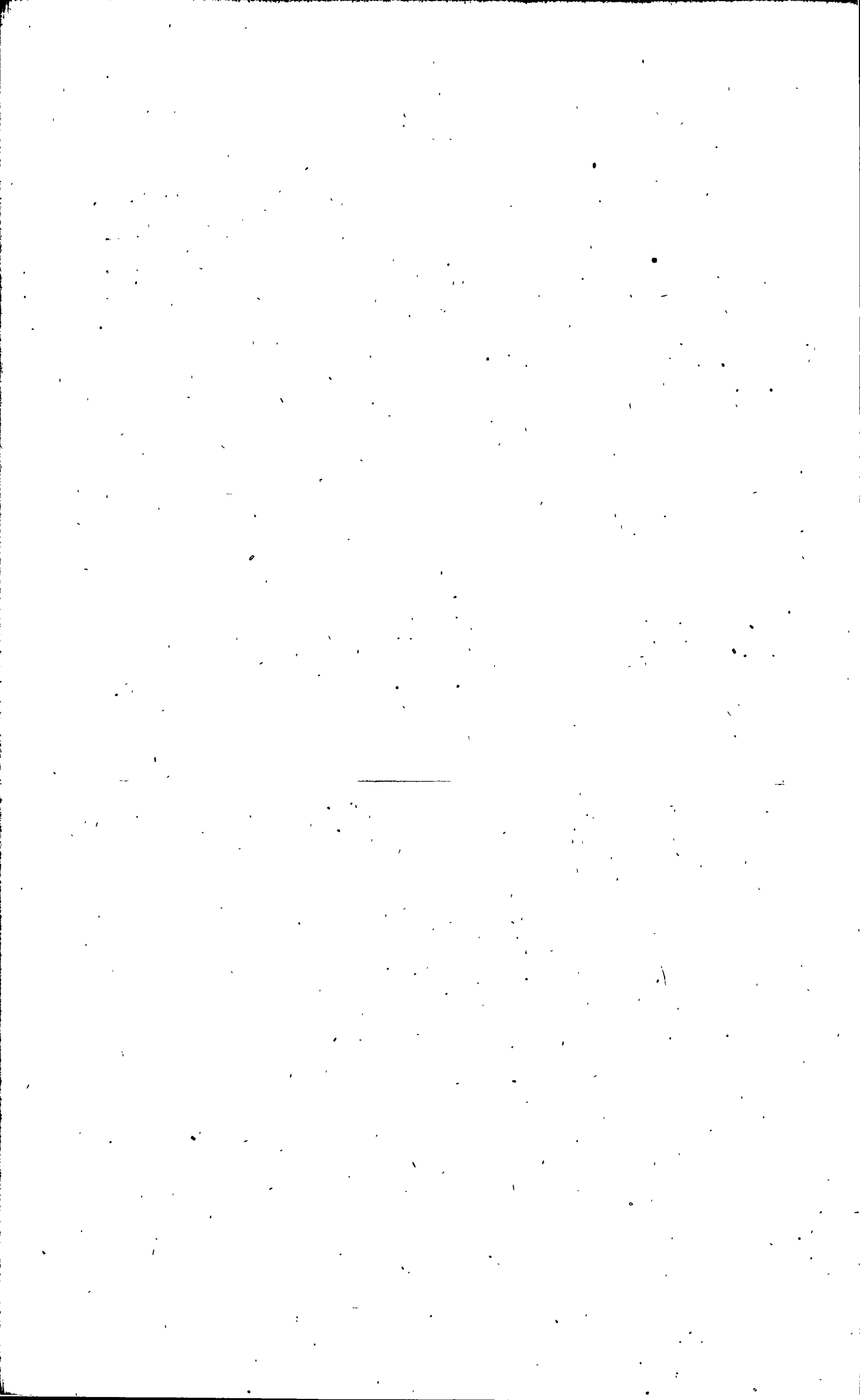
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 36.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1908.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move, That, in view of the very unsatisfactory conditions of the employment and industrial education of child labour throughout the State, and the urgent necessity of a proper system of apprenticeship in the various industries, this House is of opinion that the giving effect to the unanimous recommendation of the Apprenticeship Commission demands immediate action on the part of the Government.
2. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
3. MR. McGRATH: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the question of the flotation, management, and auditing of books of mining companies, together with the consideration of the question of tributing on mines, and the effect of royalty on the mining industry.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr Elmslie*)—To be further considered in Committee.

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of the enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. MOTOR CARS BILL—Consideration of Report.
3. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. MOE AND WALHALLA RAILWAY COMPLETION BILL—Second reading.
5. COMPANIES NAMES BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
6. MARRIAGE ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
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9. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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11. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL—Second reading.
12. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
13. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
14. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
15. EDUCATION LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
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Government Business.

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1. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

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 3. Have the Commissioners power under Act 2012 to purchase live stock ; if so, the section or sections giving such power ; if not, under what authority did the Commissioners purchase, and pay £3,032 3s. 7d. for the live stock mentioned in their last Annual Report.
 4. Have the Commissioners power under Act 2012 to farm or to work on the share system any of the Trust property ; if so, the section or sections giving such power.
 5. Have the Commissioners power under Act 2012 to erect buildings, fences, depôts, or sheds, or purchase any plant save as mentioned in section 46 of Act 2012 ; if so, the section or sections of the said Act giving such authority ; if not, the authority for the payments of £2,866 8s. 3d. for buildings and fencing, " Sparrovale " Irrigation Farm, and of £898 0s. 3d. for plant and badges mentioned in their Report.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled " *A Bill to amend the Laws relating to Railway Construction so far only as relates to the Construction of a Railway from Chillingollah to the River Murray.* "

2. **SIR THOMAS BENT** : To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum ; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
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6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
- (b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

3. **SIR THOMAS BENT** : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. **MOTOR CARS BILL**—Consideration of Report.
2. **GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL**—Second reading.
3. **MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL**—Second reading.

4. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
5. EDUCATION LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
6. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
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9. OUYEN TO KOW PLAINS RAILWAY—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ouyen to Kow Plains be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
10. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
11. MEDICAL EVIDENCE BILL—(from Council)—Second reading.
12. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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14. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
15. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
16. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(Mr. Outtrim)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(Mr. Outtrim)—Second reading.
3. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(Mr. Toucher)—Second reading.
4. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(Mr. Beazley)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(Mr. Holden)—Second reading.
6. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(Mr. Robertson)—Second reading.
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Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Beac to Newtown be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.

THURSDAY, 5TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
2. MR. MCGRATH: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the question of the flotation, management, and auditing of books of mining companies, together with the consideration of the question of tributing in mines, and the effect of royalty on the mining industry.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(Mr. Elmslie)—To be further considered in Committee.

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
2. PLURAL VOTING ABOLITION BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. KEAST: To move. That there be laid before this House a copy of the agreement between the Victorian Railways Commissioners and Mr. Merz, electrical engineer.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

On the consideration of the proposed resolution for the appointment of a Special Board to fix the lowest wages in the business of a seller of goods usually sold by drapers or haberdashers—

1. MR. LEMMON: To move the following amendments, viz.:—
 After the words "classes of persons" insert "including packers and porters."
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THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 27th October.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
 at half-past two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Downward, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Bowser, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, and Mr. Watt.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.
- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. Hunt, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Oman.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following Printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly (Telephones 3065 and 3179), and by others on the circulation list, from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer:—

Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education, from 1st January, 1907, to 30th June, 1907. (No. 44.)

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—
 For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1907. (No. 6.)
 For the Quarter ended 31st March, 1908. (No. 13.)
 For the Quarter ended 30th June, 1908. (No. 36.)

- Companies Acts 1896.—Rules under Division VII. Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court. (No. 3.)
- Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the Year 1907-8. (No. 31.)
- Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1906-7. (No. 2.)
- Electric Light and Power Act 1896.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings for 1907. (No. 23.)
- Estimates—Supplementary, 1907-8. (B. No. 6.)
- Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1907. (No. 9.)
- Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops—Report of Chief Inspector for 1907. (No. 15.)
- First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906—By T. G. Watson, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
- Friendly Societies—Report of Registrar for 1907. (No. 26.)
- Friendly Societies—Thirtieth Annual Report—Report of Actuary for 1907. (No. 22.)
- Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General for 1907. (No. 39.)
- Inter-State Conference, Melbourne, 1908—Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates. (No. 21.)
- Justices Act 1890.—Fees in Courts of Petty Sessions, and in Proceedings before a Justice or Justices. (No. 4.)
- Lands Purchase and Management Board—Report for 1907-8. (No. 32.)
- Marine Board of Victoria—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for 1907. (No. 5.)
- Mines—Annual Report of the Secretary for 1907. (No. 14.)
- Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools—Report of Secretary and Inspector for 1907. (No. 25.)
- Notes on the Financial Problems of the Commonwealth and the States of Australia, by T. G. Watson, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
- Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Reports—
- Beech Forest to Wangerrip Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 2.)
 - Cohuna Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 7.)
 - Cressy and Pitfield Plains Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 4.)
 - Doncaster, Kew, and the Kew Asylum and Yarra Bend Asylum Lands Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 8.)
 - Eltham to Hurst's Bridge (Diamond Creek) Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 3.)
 - Netherby, Kow Plains, and North-Western Mallee, Railway communication with—Report on the question. (Report No. 6.)
 - Seventeenth General Report. (No. 18.)
 - Toolondo Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 5.)
 - Ultima to Eureka Railway—Report on the proposed. (Report No. 1.)
- Penal Establishments and Gaols—Report of Inspector-General for 1907. (No. 17.)
- Port of Melbourne—Report on, by Wm. Ferguson, Esq. (No. 24.)
- Public Accounts Committee—Report. (D. No. 1.)
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for 1907, with Statement of Income and Expenditure for 1906-7. (No. 8.)
- Public Service Commissioner—Report for 1907. (No. 7.)
- Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for 1907-8. (No. 40.)
- Savings Banks—Statements and Returns for year ended 30th June, 1908. (No. 37.)
- State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Third Annual Report.—Report for 1907. (No. 46.)
- Statistical Register of Victoria for 1906—
- Part X.—Interchange. (No. 1.)
- Statistical Register of Victoria for 1907—
- Part I.—Blue Book. (No. 10.)
 - Part II.—Finance. (No. 11.)
 - Part III.—Population. (No. 12.)
 - Part IV.—Accumulation. (No. 19.)
 - Part V.—Municipal Statistics. (No. 20.)
 - Part VI.—Social Condition. (No. 27.)
 - Part VII.—Vital Statistics, &c. (No. 29.)
 - Part VIII.—Law, Crime, &c. (No. 34.)
- St. Kilda to Brighton Electric Street Railway Board—Report of Board on Management, Working, and Maintenance by Mr. F. E. Bradford; with Appendices and Minutes of Evidence. (No. 28.)
- Trade Unions—Twenty-second Annual Report—Report of Actuary for Friendly Societies for 1907. (No. 16.)

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 14, 15, 16, and 17.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 38.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. **MR. LANGDON** : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he is aware that the officers of his Department are charging selectors of third class and inferior lands £1 10s. and over per acre ; if so, does he approve of such a policy, and does he intend to continue the administration of his Department on similar lines.
2. **MR. MCKENZIE** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will inform the House—
 1. If he will recommend the Railways Commissioners to reduce the freight on chilled meat, so as to permit of the advantages of slaughtering in the country freezing works for export.
 2. What is the number of country freezing works in the State, and where situated.
3. **MR. KEOGH** : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House whether the Report upon the Application of Electric Traction to the Melbourne and Suburban Railway System, by Mr. Charles H. Merz, circulated to Members of Parliament recently, contains all the information supplied to the Government or to the Commissioners of Railways by that gentleman ; if not, will the Honorable the Minister of Railways have any further report or appendix presented by Mr. Merz printed and distributed to Members.
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5. **MR. MCGREGOR** : To ask the Honorable the Premier, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction, whether, in view of the expense to which country candidates are put in connexion with pupil teachers' examinations, the Education Department could not arrange for these examinations to be held in the large provincial centres, such as Ballarat and Bendigo.

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2. OLD-AGE PENSIONS—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be considered in Committee.
3. ARTIFICIAL MANURES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—To be considered.
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FRANK MADDEN,
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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 4th November.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at half-past two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

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No. 39.

THURSDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER, 1908.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

- I. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum ; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

* *Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.*

3. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient for the Special Board heretofore appointed with regard to articles of furniture (known as the Furniture Board) to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to female workers employed as upholstresses, whether as carpet hands, table hands, or drapery hands ; also to male persons employed in planning and laying carpets, or linoleums, or floorcloths, or fixing draperies.
4. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, employed in the process, trade, or business of a maker of all kinds of rubber goods, including rubber tyres of every description.
5. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a grocer, including a seller of tea.
6. SIR ALEXANDER PEACOCK : To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons, or classes of persons, wheresoever employed, in the business of a seller of goods usually sold by drapers or haberdashers, including mantles, costumes, millinery, stockings, and underclothing.
- *7. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled " *A Bill to provide for Improving the Access to the Northcote Railway Station.* "

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
- *3. OLD-AGE PENSIONS INCREASE BILL—Second reading.
4. MOTOR CARS BILL—Consideration of Report.
- *5. WATER SUPPLY DEPARTMENT (CHIEF ENGINEER) BILL—Second reading.
6. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
8. EDUCATION LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
9. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
10. OUYEN TO KOW PLAINS RAILWAY—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ouyen to Kow Plains be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
11. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
12. MEDICAL EVIDENCE BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
13. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
14. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
15. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
16. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
17. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
18. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
19. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
20. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
21. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.
- *22. CHILLINGOLLAH AND MURRAY RIVER RAILWAY BILL—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. MR. BEAZLEY : To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
2. MR. MCGRATH : To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the question of the flotation, management, and auditing of books of mining companies, together with the consideration of the question of tributing in mines, and the effect of royalty on mining industry.
3. MR. KEAST : To move. That there be laid before this House a copy of the agreement between the Victorian Railways Commissioners and Mr. Merz, electrical engineer.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
3. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(*Mr. Toutcher*)—Second reading.

4. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(*Mr. Beazley*)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(*Mr. Holden*)—Second reading.
6. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(*Mr. Robertson*)—Second reading.
7. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
8. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
9. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(*Mr. Elmslie*)—To be further considered in Committee.
10. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—
Resumption of debate.
11. PLURAL VOTING ABOLITION BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he is aware that the officers of his Department are charging selectors of third class and inferior lands £1 10s. and over per acre ; if so, does he approve of such a policy, and does he intend to continue the administration of his Department on similar lines.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

- *1. SOUTH AUSTRALIAN BOUNDARY BILL—Second reading.
- *2. MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY (VETERINARY SCHOOL) BILL—Second reading.
- *3. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.

CONTINGENT NOTICE OF MOTION.

On the consideration of the proposed resolution for the appointment of a Special Board to fix the lowest wages in the business of a seller of goods usually sold by drapers or haberdashers—

1. MR. LEMMON : To move the following amendments, viz. :—
After the words "classes of persons" insert "including packers and porters."
After the word "stockings" insert "mercery, clothing."

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Wednesday, 25th November.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at half-past two o'clock.

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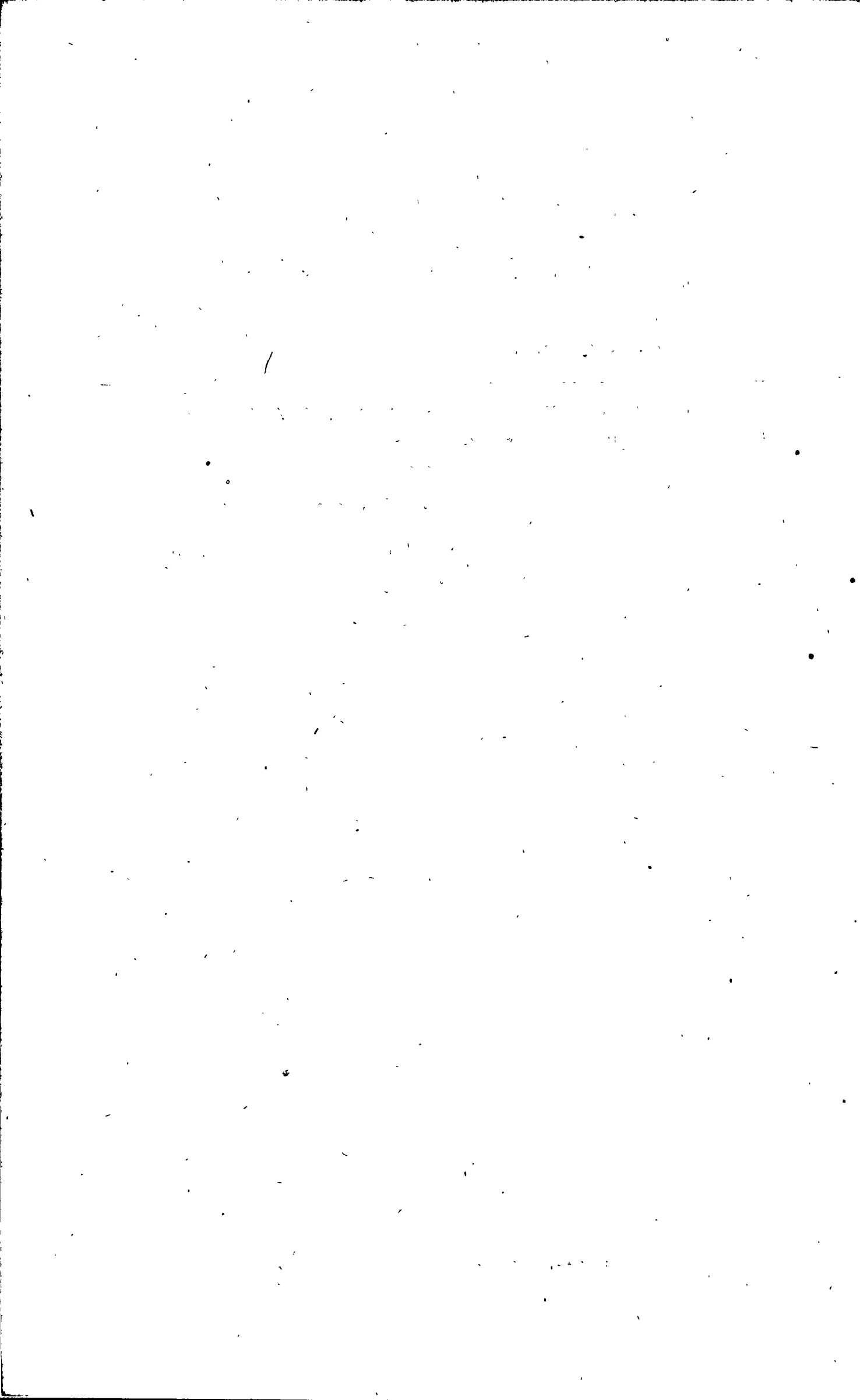
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2. MR. CRAVEN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture if he will be able to introduce a Registration of Brands Bill this Session.

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Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
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8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

3. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL (No. 2)—Second reading.
2. OLD-AGE PENSIONS INCREASE BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
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THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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MEETING OF EXAMINERS OF PRIVATE BILLS.

Monday, 23rd November.

BENDIGO AND COUNTRY DISTRICTS TRUSTEES AND EXECUTORS COMPANY LIMITED BILL—
PETITION—at twelve o'clock noon.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 24th November.

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- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, and Mr. Prendergast.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 41.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1908.

Questions.

1. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
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 2. What are the names of the life assurance offices so contracting.
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2. MR. WARDE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. Under what Act or regulations or authority is the Public Service Commissioner empowered to limit the age of applicants to 45 years of age for the position of Factory Inspector.
 2. What is the object of limiting the age of applicants.
 3. Are any of the inspectors who are over the age of 45 years and under 60 years physically unfit for their duties.
 4. Does he think it just to have limitations to promotion in one branch fixed for employes who have 15 years to serve before being 60 or possibly 20 years to serve before retiring, when none are imposed in any of the other branches of the service.
 5. Is not the restriction a premium to junior men in the service.
 6. Will he consider the advisability of, having the limitation of age removed, so that the Public Service Commissioner may decide as to fitness mentally and physically of applicants irrespective of age.
3. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the favorable reply given to Mr. Livingston on the 14th October in reference to the payment of compensation to relatives of railway employes injured in the Sunshine accident whilst travelling upon a free pass, he will inform the House—
 1. What decision has the Cabinet arrived at in the matter.
 2. What method does he propose to adopt to give effect to the Cabinet determination.
4. MR. TOUTCHER : To ask the Honorable the Premier—
 1. If he will lay upon the table of the Library a copy of all the papers in connexion with the recent charges made against Mr. Read Murphy, Police Magistrate ; also the Board's findings thereon.
 2. If he will inform the House if Mr. Murphy's costs have been defrayed by the Government.
5. MR. BEAZLEY : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will state—
 1. The names of persons appointed to supervise small holdings.
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Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled " *A Bill to authorize the taking of a Referendum on the subject of reading Scripture Lessons in State Schools.*"

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Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase, with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum ; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority:
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
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(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

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THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. MR. OUTTRIM: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to promote the earlier Use of Daylight in certain Months yearly and for other purposes relating thereto."

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

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THOS. G. WATSON,
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MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

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- Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 20.
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 Artificial Manures Bill. (Amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council, and disagreement
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 Old-age Pensions Bill—[78]. (To Members of Council only.)

- Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 39 and 40.
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 Mines Bill—[10].
 Motor Cars Bill. (New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Stanley on consideration of Report or after Third
 Reading.) (To Members only.)
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 Reading.) (To Members only.)



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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 42.

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER, 1908.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COURTS OF MINES AND COUNTY COURTS BILL—(Mr. Outtrim)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. REFERENDUM AND POPULAR INITIATIVE BILL—(Mr. Outtrim)—Second reading.
3. GOVERNOR'S SALARY REDUCTION BILL—(Mr. Toutcher)—Second reading.
4. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(Mr. Beazley)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(Mr. Holden)—Second reading.
6. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(Mr. Robertson)—Second reading.
7. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL (Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.
8. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.
9. SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL—(Mr. Elmslie)—To be further considered in Committee.
10. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(Mr. Watt)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
11. PLURAL VOTING ABOLITION BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. MR. OUTTRIM: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to promote the earlier Use of Daylight in certain Months yearly and for other purposes relating thereto."
2. MR. BEAZLEY: To move, That in the opinion of this House any Crown lands attached to the Yarra Bend Asylum, and to the Kew Asylum, not required for the purposes of either of those institutions should be reserved as public park lands.
3. MR. McGRATH: To move, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the question of the flotation, management, and auditing of books of mining companies, together with the consideration of the question of tributing in mines, and the effect of royalty on the mining industry.
4. MR. KEAST: To move, That there be laid before this House a copy of the agreement between the Victorian Railways Commissioners and Mr. Merz, electrical engineer.

Private Bill Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

- *1. MR. MCKENZIE: To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to confer Powers on the Bendigo and Country Districts Trustees and Executors Company Limited.

Contingent on the foregoing being carried—

- *2. MR. MCKENZIE: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to confer Powers upon the Bendigo and Country Districts Trustees and Executors Company Limited."

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

Government Business.

(After one o'clock.)

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

- *1. MR. HUNT: To move, That all Standing Orders relating to the introduction and passing of Private Bills, including those relating to the payment of fees, be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to provide for the vesting of certain lands for the purposes of the Ballaarat South-street Debating Society and Public Library and for reducing the width of certain streets in the Town of Ballaarat East and for other purposes.

Contingent on the foregoing resolution being agreed to:—

- *2. MR. HUNT: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "A Bill to provide for the vesting of certain lands for the purposes of the Ballaarat South-street Debating Society and Public Library and for reducing the width of certain streets in the Town of Ballaarat East and for other purposes."
3. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.

(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

4. SIR THOMAS BENT: To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPPLY—To be further considered in Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
3. EDUCATION LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
4. CHILLINGOLLAH AND MURRAY RIVER RAILWAY BILL—Second reading.
5. MURRAY RIVER WATERS BILL (No. 2)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
6. WATER SUPPLY DEPARTMENT (CHIEF ENGINEER) BILL—Second reading.
7. SOUTH AUSTRALIA BOUNDARY BILL—Second reading.

8. MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY (VETERINARY SCHOOL) BILL—Second reading.
9. VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT THREE PER CENT. STOCK INCREASE BILL—Second reading.
10. GAOLS ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
11. CLOSER SETTLEMENT ACT 1904 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
12. SETTLED ESTATES AND SETTLED LANDS BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
- *13. DENTISTS BILL (*from Council*)—Second reading.
14. OUYEN TO KOW PLAINS RAILWAY—*Resumption of debate on the question*—That the construction of a 5ft. 3in. railway from Ouyen to Kow Plains be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
15. NORTHCOTE RAILWAY STATION BILL—Second reading.
16. LAND VALUATION BILL (No. 2)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
17. MEDICAL EVIDENCE BILL—(*from Council*)—Second reading.
18. WORKERS' ACCIDENTS COMPENSATION BILL—To be further considered in Committee.
19. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
20. AGENTS BILL—Second reading.
21. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
22. SMALL IMPROVED HOLDINGS ACT 1906 AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
23. RAILWAYS MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
24. CRIMES LAW CODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
25. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND BILL—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER.

Questions.

1. MR. WARDE : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. Under what Act or regulations or authority is the Public Service Commissioner empowered to limit the age of applicants to 45 years of age for the position of Factory Inspector.
 2. What is the object of limiting the age of applicants.
 3. Are any of the inspectors who are over the age of 45 years and under 60 years physically unfit for their duties.
 4. Does he think it just to have limitations to promotion in one branch fixed for employes who have 15 years to serve before being 60 or possibly 20 years to serve before retiring, when none are imposed in any of the other branches of the service.
 5. Is not the restriction a premium to junior men in the service.
 6. Will he consider the advisability of having the limitation of age removed, so that the Public Service Commissioner may decide as to fitness mentally and physically of applicants irrespective of age.
2. MR. LEMMON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if, in view of the favorable reply given to Mr. Livingston on the 14th October in reference to the payment of compensation to relatives of railway employes injured in the Sunshine accident whilst travelling upon a free pass, he will inform the House—
 1. What decision has the Cabinet arrived at in the matter.
 2. What method does he propose to adopt to give effect to the Cabinet determination.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

- *1. SCRIPTURE LESSONS REFERENDUM BILL—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETINGS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Tuesday, 1st December.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at two o'clock.

Wednesday, 2nd December.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
at two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKeuzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toutcher.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.

PRINTING—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Prendergast.

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Cullen, Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins.

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PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS—
(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Oman, and Mr. Thomson.

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Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education—

From 1st January, 1907, to 30th June, 1907. (No. 44.)

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Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

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Companies Acts 1896.—Rules under Division VII. Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court. (No. 3.)

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the Year 1907–8. (No. 31.)

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1906–7. (No. 2.)

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Estimates—Supplementary, 1907–8. (B. No. 6.)

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Finance, 1907–8—Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for 1907–8, with Report, &c., of the Auditor-General. (A No. 1.)

First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856–1906—By T. G. Watson, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Forests—Department of State Forests—Report from 1st January to 30th June, 1908. (No. 41.)

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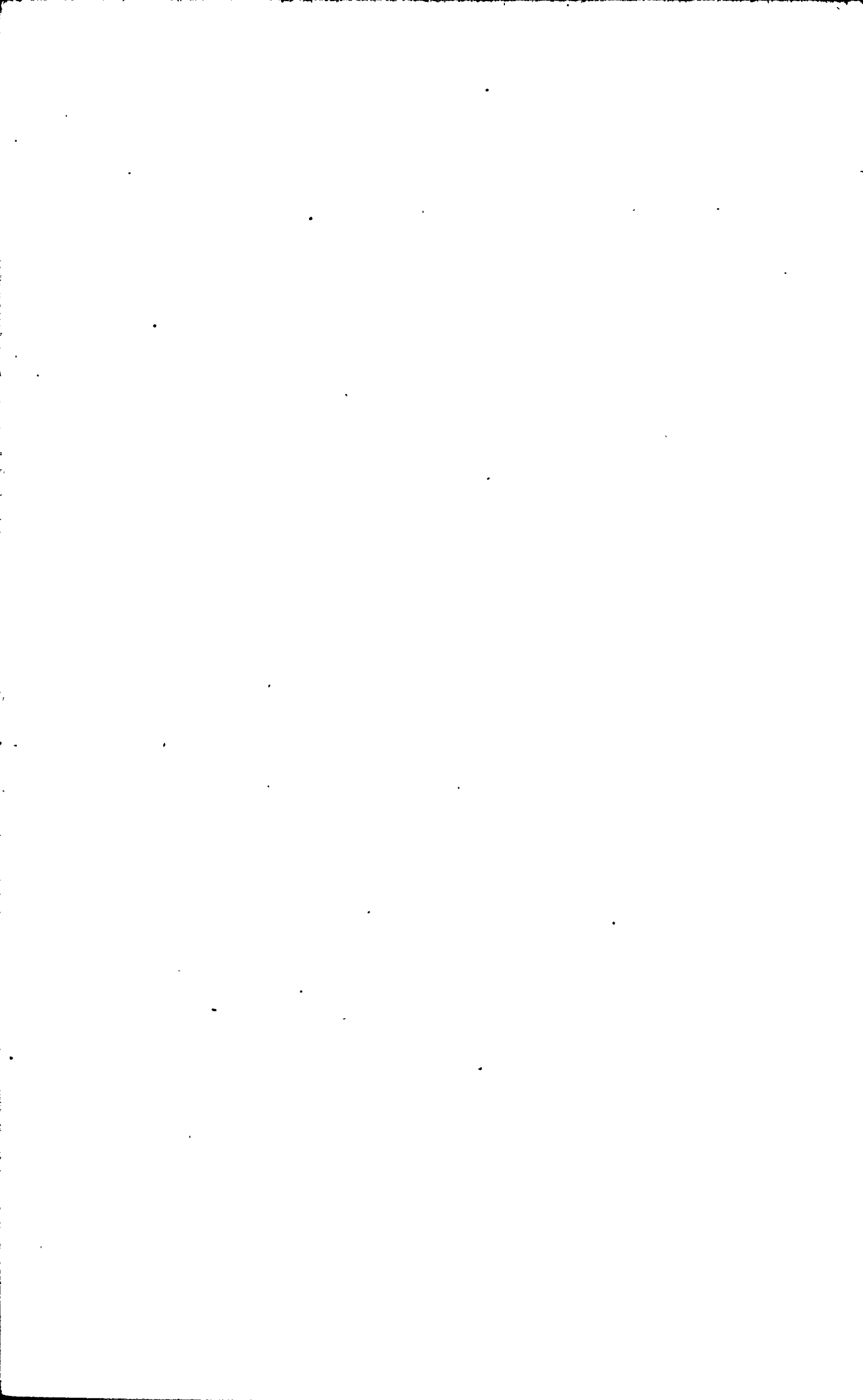
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 Motor Car Bill—[9]. (To Members of Council only.)
 Factories and Shops Acts Amendment Bill. (Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. J. G. Aikman on the Recommittal of Clause 3.)

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 Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure for the Year ending 30th June, 1909. B.—No. 22.
 Dentists Bill—[2]. (To Members only.)
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 43.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1908.

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 1. What decision has the Cabinet arrived at in the matter.
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3. MR. LIVINGSTON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. How many railway stations are there in Victoria at which two or more branch lines junction and with only one platform.
 2. At how many of such railway junction stations are there separate railway platforms.
 3. Who was responsible for designing a single platform at the railway station at Sunshine where the branch lines from Ballarat and Bendigo junction.
 4. What report or reports as to the same being dangerous to the public have been made to the Commissioners, and on what dates.
 5. Has he any objection to lay upon the table of the Library any such reports.
 6. Does the Government intend to have another platform erected at Sunshine Railway Station to prevent further injury to the public ; if so, when.
 7. Has the Government decided whether any person is responsible for the plan or the retention of a single platform at Sunshine ; if so, what action will be taken, and when.
4. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Premier if he will inform the House if it is his intention to make available for workmen's homes a portion of Lara Estate, which, apparently, was surveyed for that purpose.
5. MR. LANGDON : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Public Instruction whether he is aware that drinking water supplied to children attending a number of State schools is of an inferior quality, and injurious to health ; if so, will he see that water filters are supplied to such schools.

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

1. **SIR THOMAS BENT :** To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz. :—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum ; and
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3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
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6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

2. **SIR THOMAS BENT :** To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

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2. WAYS AND MEANS—To be further considered in Committee.
3. EDUCATION LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Second reading.
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WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

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Tuesday, 1st December.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at two o'clock.

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- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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No. 44.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1908

Questions.

1. MR. SMITH : To ask the Honorable the Premier, for the Honorable the Minister of Public Health, if he will inform the House if any samples of milk were taken at Sutton Grange about July last for the purpose of determining the quality of milk obtained direct from the cows; if so, how many samples were taken, and what were the results of the analyses.
2. MR. PRENDERGAST : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey if he will inform the House—
 1. If any effort is being made to supply the Thomastown Small Holdings settlers with water, as they are almost without a supply for either household or irrigation purposes.
 2. Has there been any effort made to make roads for the use of the settlement.
 3. If any action is likely to be taken to secure school accommodation for the children.
3. MR. SANGSTER : To ask the Honorable the Chief Secretary if he will inform the House—
 1. If the Government Wire Netting Works at Pentridge prison are stopped at present; if so, why.
 2. Does the Government intend to resume operations at these works again; if so, when.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient to construct a 5ft. 3in. line of railway from Beac to Newtown.
2. MR. DOWNWARD : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Mildura Irrigation Trust Acts.*"
3. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That the following resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908, respecting the Commonwealth financial proposals, be now taken into consideration, viz.:—

Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—

(a) a fixed annual sum; and

(b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.

2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a smaller proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.

3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
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5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
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(b) The States urge an early settlement of this long-standing question.
8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

4. SIR THOMAS BENT : To move, That this House concurs in the resolutions adopted by the Inter-State Conference, held at Melbourne, April-May, 1908.

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TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER.

Question.

1. MR. LIVINGSTON: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Railways if he will inform the House—
 1. How many railway stations are there in Victoria at which two or more branch lines junction and with only one platform.
 2. At how many of such railway junction stations are there separate railway platforms.
 3. Who was responsible for designing a single platform at the railway station at Sunshine where the branch lines from Ballarat and Bendigo junction.
 4. What report or reports as to the same being dangerous to the public have been made to the Commissioners, and on what dates.
 5. Has he any objection to lay upon the table of the Library any such reports.
 6. Does the Government intend to have another platform erected at Sunshine Railway Station to prevent further injury to the public; if so, when.
 7. Has the Government decided whether any person is responsible for the plan or the retention of a single platform at Sunshine; if so, what action will be taken, and when.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 45.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1908.

NOTICE OF MOTION (*to take precedence*):—

- *1. MR. MURRAY: To move, That the Government does not possess the confidence of the House.

Private Bill Business. (Until one o'clock.)

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1. MR. MCKENZIE: To move, That compliance with Standing Orders Nos. 10 and 26 relating to the introduction of Private Bills be dispensed with, with the view of introducing a Bill to confer Powers on the Bendigo and Country Districts Trustees and Executors Company Limited.

Contingent on the foregoing being carried—

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3. DAYLIGHT SAVING BILL—(*Mr. Outtrim*)—Second reading.
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* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time.

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Resolved—

That this Conference views with apprehension the proposals of the Commonwealth Government embodied in the memorandum of Sir William Lyne, and is of opinion that they will, if adopted, seriously affect the financial independence and solvency of the States, and further resolves—

1. That, in view of the fact that upon the State Parliaments devolves the duty of developing the resources of their respective States by means of land settlement, railway construction, irrigation, and other public works, and that they are charged with the responsibility of maintaining adequate education and charity systems, and providing for the administration of justice and other services, the financial obligations connected with which will inevitably increase with the growth of population, no financial scheme can be assented to by the States which does not provide for their receiving—
 - (a) a fixed annual sum; and
 - (b) a proportionate part of all increases in revenue from Customs and Excise.
2. That, for the purpose of enabling the Federal Government to initiate a general scheme of old-age pensions, the State Governments will be agreeable to accept a larger proportion of the Customs and Excise revenue than three-fourths, and thus supplement, if necessary, the amount which can be provided under the Commonwealth Surplus Revenue Bill.
3. That, no restriction having been placed by the Constitution upon the borrowing powers of the States, and, further, for the reasons set out in Resolution No. 1, the States should be the sole judges as to the raising of loans, within or without the Commonwealth, for the purposes of carrying on the work of internal development without interference by the Council of Finance, as proposed in the scheme of the Commonwealth Treasurer, or by any external authority.
4. That the gradual assumption by the Commonwealth of the State Debts may eventually lead to economies, but it would be advisable to allow the settlement of details to stand over until the question of the distribution of the net revenue from duties of Customs and Excise has been determined.
5. That, in the distribution of the amount returnable by the Commonwealth to the States the *per capita* contribution of each State to the Customs and Excise revenue shall be considered and allowed for.
6. That the proposal of the Commonwealth Treasurer to take over the Sinking Funds of the several States without making equitable provision for compensation is objectionable.
7. (a) That, in the event of the Commonwealth taking over the Debts, the total indebtedness of the respective States should be reduced by the sum of the value of the transferred properties (unless settlement for such properties be previously made), and that when the lighthouses, &c., are taken over by the Commonwealth, the States should be credited for them.
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8. That the foregoing resolutions be submitted to the respective State Parliaments as early as possible.

Contingent on the foregoing motion being agreed to—

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 1. If the Government Wire Netting Works at Pentridge prison are stopped at present; if so, why.
 2. Does the Government intend to resume operations at these works again; if so, when.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

General Business.

(Until one o'clock.)

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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2. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL—(Mr. Beazley)—Second reading.
3. MUNICIPAL RATING (UNIMPROVED VALUE) BILL—(Mr. Holden)—Second reading.
4. SHEEP DIPPING BILL—(Mr. Robertson)—Second reading.
5. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.
6. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.
7. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(Mr. Watt)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. PLURAL VOTING ABOLITION BILL—(Mr. Prendergast)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 8th December.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Toucher.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Prendergast.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Cullen, Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Swinburne, and Mr. Watt.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.
- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS**—(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Oman, and Mr. Thomson.

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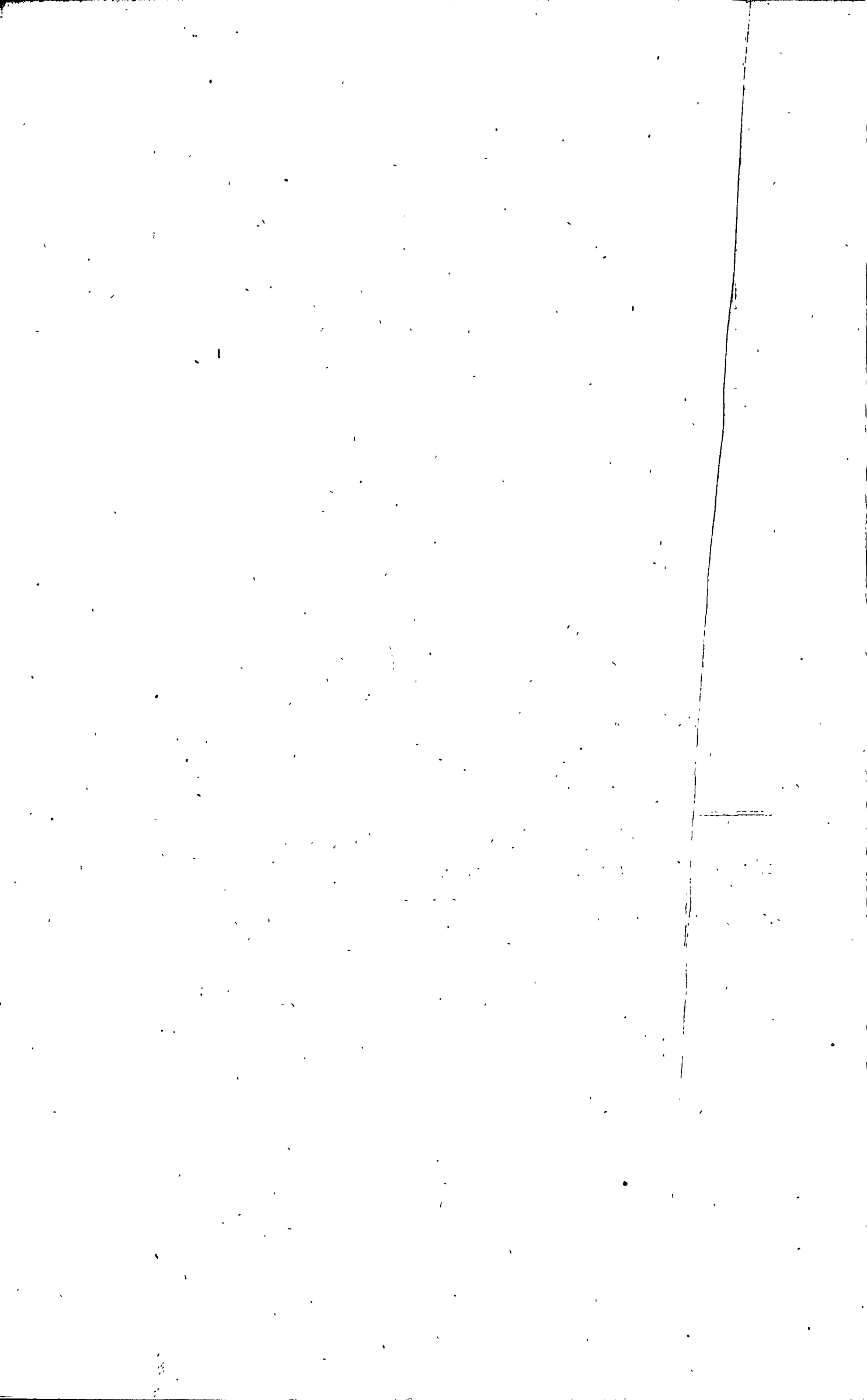
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 From 1st January, 1907, to 30th June, 1907. (No. 44.)
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- Bank Liabilities and Assets**—Summary of Sworn Returns—
 For the Quarter ended 31st December, 1907. (No. 6.)
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- Companies Acts 1896**.—Rules under Division VII. Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court. (No. 3.)
- Constitution Statute**.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the Year 1907-8. (No. 31.)
- Education**—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1906-7. (No. 2.)
- Electric Light and Power Act 1896**.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings for 1907. (No. 23.)
- Estimates**—Supplementary, 1907-8. (B. No. 6.)
- Explosives**—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1907. (No. 9.)
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- First Fifty Years of Responsible Government in Victoria, 1856-1906**—By T. G. Watson, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
- Forests**—Department of State Forests—Report from 1st January to 30th June, 1908. (No. 41.)
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5. MELBOURNE HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
6. MONEY LENDERS LAW AMENDMENT BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.
7. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS (PREFERENTIAL VOTING) BILL—(*Mr. Watt*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate.*
8. PLURAL VOTING ABOLITION BILL—(*Mr. Prendergast*)—Second reading.

THOS. G. WATSON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 8th December.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—at two o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1908.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 2nd July, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Livingston, and Mr. Watt.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. McBride.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Beazley, Sir Thomas Bent, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Hunt, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Murray, Mr. Outtrim, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Tutchter.
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. E. H. Cameron, Mr. Elmslie, Mr. Lemmon, and Mr. McGregor.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Speaker, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Harris, Mr. Holden, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Keast, Mr. Langdon, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Outtrim, and Mr. Prendergast.
- REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Cullen, Mr. Forrest, Mr. McBride, Mr. Thomson, and Mr. Wilkins.
- PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**—(Appointed 9th July, 1908).—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Beazley, Mr. A. A. Billson, Mr. Duffus, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. Swinburne, and Mr. Watt.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 30th July, 1907).—Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Graham, Mr. McBride, and Mr. Warde.
- GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—ENCOURAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURERS AND PRODUCERS**—(Appointed 1st October, 1908).—Mr. Beazley, Mr. Gurr, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Oman, and Mr. Thomson.

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 From 1st January, 1907, to 30th June, 1907. (No. 44.)
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- * **Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—**
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- Explosives—Report of the Chief Inspector for 1907.** (No. 9.)
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