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No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH JUNE, 1939.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, bearing date the fifth day of June, 1939, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk and is as follows:—

FURTHER PROROGUING PARLIAMENT AND FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-THIRD PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands prorogued until Tuesday, the sixth day of June, 1939: Now I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of June, 1939, and I do hereby fix Wednesday, the twenty-eighth day of June, 1939, aforesaid, at the hour of half-past Two o'clock in the afternoon, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Spring-street, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, and in the third year of the reign of His Majesty King George VI.

(L.S.)

F. W. MANN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. A. DUNSTAN,

Premier.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

2. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was announced by the Usher.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

You have been summoned to meet for the consideration of important public business.

The death since Parliament last met of the Right Honourable J. A. Lyons, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, evoked profound regret among all sections of the people in this State.

Regret was also caused by the recent death in Victoria of the Honourable A. G. Ogilvie, Premier of Tasmania.

During the recess the Legislative Assembly suffered a sad loss by the death of the Honourable J. A. Gray. A highly respected member of Parliament and at one time an Honorary Minister, Mr. Gray rendered valuable public service.

The recent departure of Lord and Lady Huntingfield occasioned many manifestations of the great esteem in which they were held by the people of Victoria.

Major-General Sir Winston Dugan has been appointed to succeed Lord Huntingfield as Governor. Sir Winston and Lady Dugan are assured of a warm welcome on their arrival in Melbourne next month.

Following unprecedented drought conditions, the most serious bush fires in the history of the State occurred in January last, causing untold suffering and damage and resulting in the loss of 72 lives.

The Royal Commission appointed by the Government to inquire into the causes of the fires and to make recommendations with the object of preventing or minimizing future outbreaks has submitted its Report.

To provide relief for sufferers from the bush fires a public subscription was opened by the Lord Mayor of Melbourne. The total sum contributed, including grants from the Commonwealth and State Governments and the Melbourne City Council, was approximately £260,000. Nearly the whole of that sum has, on the recommendation of a Committee appointed by the Government, been allocated among sufferers by the Lord Mayor's Committee.

A National Defence Council, consisting of the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States, was recently constituted. The principal function of the Council is to establish the closest co-operation between the various Governments represented with a view to common action in time of crisis.

My Ministers had previously appointed a State Emergency Council which has already made considerable progress in the preparation of plans to meet certain emergencies that might be expected to arise in the event of war.

The Commonwealth Government has constituted a National Co-ordinating Council for Physical Fitness, and a State Council has been established to act in conjunction with that body.

The severe drought which extended over almost the whole of Victoria and caused a grave failure of the wheat crop and pastures, has seriously affected the finances of the State. As a result, the financial year will unfortunately close with a substantial deficit. Arrangements have been made through the Australian Loan Council to fund this deficit.

Because of the continuing low prices for wheat, several Conferences at which this State was represented, have been held with a view to providing a more satisfactory return to growers.

An excellent season is now being experienced by nearly all primary producers. The area sown in wheat and oats will probably be somewhat larger than last year. Abundant rains have strikingly improved pastoral prospects throughout the State.

As the result of a reduction in the amount of seasonal work available there has been an increase in the number of families in receipt of sustenance.

Satisfactory progress has been made by the Youth Employment Committee in the training of youths in trades. At present 1,000 youths are undergoing training.

Gratifying results have been obtained by the Department of Mental Hygiene from modern methods of treatment of dementia praecox. Of the total number of cases treated during the last two years, 46 per cent. have recovered, and latterly the percentage has been much higher. The recent extension of the new treatment to other forms of mental illness has been followed by encouraging results.

The erection of a building at Royal Park for the accommodation of 100 children under the control of the Children's Welfare Department is proceeding. Provision is being made for a surgery and a dental clinic.

Satisfactory adjustments of the liabilities of 1,750 farmers have been completed under the Farmers Debts Adjustment Act. The administration of the Act has, however, been seriously retarded by the restricted grants to this State. To meet the position, my Ministers propose to introduce an amending Bill early in the session.

The preparation by the Department of Lands and Survey of new leases under the *Closer Settlement Act 1938* has entailed much work. Some time will elapse before all the leases are issued, but substantial progress has been made.

Excellent results have been obtained in the destruction of noxious weeds on Crown Lands in different parts of the State.

The gold yield for 1938 was 144,000 ounces, being only slightly less than the quantity produced the previous year, when the highest yield since 1920 was recorded.

Boring operations for oil in Victoria are being continued.

Work on the enlargement of the Malmsbury Reservoir is approaching completion and the construction of a large reservoir on the Coliban River at Lauriston has been put in hand.

The Yarrawonga Weir will be completed shortly and channels are being extended into an area in the vicinity of Cobram, where water will be available for irrigation during the coming season.

Under the Government's plan of assistance, in connexion with water supply undertakings for country towns, grants totalling £75,000 have been provided.

The Otway Scheme for the supply of water to Western District centres is nearing completion. Supplies from the system will be available to Warrnambool during the present year.

The construction of an additional storage reservoir near Dromana to serve the Mornington Peninsula will shortly be completed.

Government subsidies for the installation of sewerage systems in country towns, total £350,000. Systems are now in operation in sixteen towns, and construction is proceeding in four other centres.

A record for Victoria in the production of both canned and dried fruits was established during the last season.

The Government has taken steps to salvage approximately 916,000,000 superficial feet of timber in forest areas and Crown lands swept by the bush fires of last January. The work of salvage has already begun. Legislation dealing with the matter will be submitted early in the session.

The Housing Commission has initiated a building scheme at Port Melbourne. Grading and levelling operations are in progress on 55 acres of Crown land and active steps are now being taken to provide for the erection of approximately 400 homes to accommodate families now occupying houses unfit for human habitation.

During the last twelve months the supply of electricity from the State system was extended to more than 1,200 farms and to many townships. Early this year the standard charges for electricity were substantially reduced.

The work of protecting the foreshores and beaches of Port Phillip Bay and of the more popular resorts along the Victorian coast has been continued. During the year £30,000 was expended for this purpose.

It is expected that the grain elevator system will be in operation during the coming season at 47 stations in the Wimmera and Mallee and at the Geelong terminal.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1938-39, and a Bill to make preliminary provision for the services of the next financial year, will be submitted to you.

Estimates of revenue and expenditure for the financial year 1939-40 will be placed before you as early as possible.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

My Ministers will as early as possible, submit legislation with the object of placing the finances of the public hospitals and other charitable institutions of the State on a more satisfactory basis.

A Bill dealing with Third Party Insurance in relation to motor cars will be brought forward.

The Members of Parliament (Disqualification) Bill, which was before you last session, will again be introduced.

It is proposed to submit legislation relating to the compulsory acquisition of lands for the purpose of facilitating land settlement.

Action will be taken to prevent the employment of sweated labour in industry.

A Bill providing for the appointment of a Public Trustee will be introduced.

Comprehensive legislation relating to the imposition, assessment and collection of Probate Duties will be submitted.

My Advisers will introduce legislation arising out of matters reported upon by the Royal Commission on Bush Fires.

It is proposed to amend the Local Government Act in relation to the qualifications of councillors, the secrecy of the ballot and other matters.

An amendment of the Motor Car Acts increasing the penalties for unauthorized use of motor vehicles will be placed before you.

My Ministers will submit legislation based on certain recommendations of the parliamentary Public Works Committee relating to the trading powers of the State Electricity Commission.

It is proposed to bring forward a Bill providing for the constitution of a Public Service Tribunal.

A comprehensive measure making additional provision for the care of mentally defective persons and mentally retarded children will be submitted to you.

Among other legislation to be introduced during the session will be a measure for the acquisition of a site in Bendigo for the State Electricity Commission, and Bills relating to :—

- Parliamentary Elections ;
- Weights and Measures ;
- The Supreme Court ;
- Insurance Contracts ;
- The Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works ;
- Hospitals and Charities ;

Financial Emergency (Mortgages);
 Motor Car (Fees);
 Public Entertainments;
 Water;
 The Milk Board;
 Survey Co-ordination;
 Barwon River Improvement; and
 Farm Produce Agents.

I now leave you to your deliberations in the earnest hope that, with the blessing of Divine Providence, your work may advance the welfare of the State.

Which being concluded, a copy of the Speech was delivered to the President and a copy to Mr. Speaker, and His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor left the Chamber.

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

3. The President took the Chair and read the prayer.

4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables the President (Sir Frank Clarke), J. M. Balfour, G. L. Chandler, J. H. Disney, C. H. A. Eager, W. H. Edgar, C. P. Gartside, Sir George Goudie, Sir John Harris, P. P. Inchbold, J. P. Jones, Paul Jones, J. A. Kennedy, P. J. Kennelly, E. L. Kiernan, R. Kilpatrick, Lieut.-Colonel G. V. Lansell, G. S. McArthur, W. MacAulay, H. H. Olney, A. J. Pittard, H. Pye, L. R. Rodda, M. Saltau, G. J. Tuckett, and W. Tyner severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the fifty-fifth section of the Act No. 3660, as hereunder set forth.

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, FRANCIS GRENVILLE CLARKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Prahran and are known as 28 Jackson-street, Toorak, being part of Crown Portion 14, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £65.

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

“FRANK CLARKE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, JAMES MILLER BALFOUR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of City of Fitzroy and are known as 166 Nicholson-street, Fitzroy.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of City of Fitzroy are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £60.

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

“J. M. BALFOUR.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, GILBERT LAWRENCE CHANDLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ferntree Gully, and are known as property situate at corner of Boronia and Forest-roads, Boronia.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ferntree Gully are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £120.

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

“G. L. CHANDLER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, JAMES HERBERT DISNEY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or

parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as Nos. 18 to 21, Howe-crescent, South Melbourne.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £140.

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

“ J. H. DISNEY.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, CLIFDEN HENRY ANDREWS EAGER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Kew and Camberwell, and are known as No. 26 Barrington-avenue, Kew, and No. 3 Peppin-street, Camberwell.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £59, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Camberwell are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £48.

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

“ C. H. A. EAGER.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Camberwell, and are known as ‘ Bingley,’ 617 Burke-road, Camberwell.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Camberwell are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £120.

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

“ W. H. EDGAR.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, CHARLES PERCIVAL GARTSIDE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Dandenong, and are known as my homestead, Centre Dandenong-road, Dingley.

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

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

“ C. P. GARTSIDE.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, GEORGE LOUIS GOUDIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 49 Elizabeth-street, Elsternwick.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £83.

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

“ GEO. L. GOUDIE.”

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, JOHN RICHARDS HARRIS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Rutherglen, and are known as Lots 23 to 26 on Lodged Plan 2894, Lots 2, 4, and 7 to 15 on Lodged Plan 3861, and part of Lots 2, 3, and 4 of section 21, being 103 acres of land in the Parish of Carlyle.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rutherglen are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £45.

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

"JOHN R. HARRIS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, PERCIVAL PENNELL INCHBOLD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of the Borough of Wangaratta and the Shire of Wangaratta, and are known as 'Whitwell,' 18 Docker-street, Wangaratta, and 'Wangandary Estate,' parish of Wangaratta South.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the Borough of Wangaratta are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £55, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the Shire of Wangaratta are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £301.

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

"P. P. INCHBOLD."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, JOHN PERCY JONES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 16 to 22, 24, and 26 Patrick-street, Melbourne.

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

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

"J. P. JONES."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, PAUL JONES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Richmond and Prahran, and are known as 68-72 Lord-street, Richmond, and 10 Clarke-street, Prahran.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Richmond are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £100, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £60.

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

"PAUL JONES."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, JAMES ARTHUR KENNEDY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 28 Cosham-street, Brighton, certificate of title volume 4486, folio 897116.

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

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

“ J. A. KENNEDY.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, PATRICK JOHN KENNELLY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne and are known as 164-166 Nelson-road, South Melbourne.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £64.

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

“ P. J. KENNELLY.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, ESMOND LAWRENCE KIERNAN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as house and land in Heidelberg-road, Ivanhoe.

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

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

“ ESMOND L. KIERNAN.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, RICHARD KILPATRICK, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Shepparton, and are known as—(i) Lots Nos. 9, 10, and 11 on plan of subdivision and part of Crown allotments 5A, 5B, 6B, parish of Shepparton, county of Moira, more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 3106, folio 621176; (ii) land and offices, Wyndham-street, Shepparton, in which the business of Kilpatrick, McLellan and Co. is carried on, being part of Crown allotments 1 and 1A, section E, township and parish of Shepparton, county of Moira, and being the land more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 982, folio 196309.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Shepparton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £119.

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

“ R. KILPATRICK.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, GEORGE VICTOR LANSELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Bendigo, and are known as ‘Denderah,’ View Hill, Bendigo.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Bendigo are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £250.

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

“ GEO. V. LANSELL.”

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, GORDON STEWART McARTHUR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Hampden, and are known as 'Meningoort,' Camperdown.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hampden are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £1,260.

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

"G. S. McARTHUR."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, WILLIAM MACAULAY*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Alberton, and are known as 'Albert Valley,' being allotments 21, 21A, 21B, 22, and 90, parish of Binginwarri.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Alberton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £184.

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

"WM. MACAULAY."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, HERBERT HORACE OLNEY*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as 'Yenlo' and 'Tarrangower' Flats, Westley-avenue and Ivanhoe-parade, Ivanhoe.

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

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

"H. H. OLNEY."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, ALFRED JAMES PITTARD*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat, and are known as business premises, 313 Sturt-street, and business premises, 317 Sturt-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £320.

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

"ALF. J. PITTARD."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, HENRY PYE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Shire of Swan Hill, and are known as house and shops in Campbell-street, Swan Hill, numbered 1502, 1503, 1504, and 1508 in the rate-book.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Shire of Swan Hill are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £373.

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

“HENRY PYE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, LEONARD ROY RODDA, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Wimmera, and are known as allotments 51A, 52, and 66 to 73 inclusive, parish of Bungalally.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Wimmera are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £340.

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

“L. R. RODDA.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, MARCUS SALTAU, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as part of Crown portion 18, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke, and more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 4940, folio 987927.

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

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

“M. SALTAU.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, GEORGE JOSEPH TUCKETT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Numurkah, and are known as allotments 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and part of allotment 11 of section D, parish of Yalca.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Numurkah are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £460.

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

“GEO. J. TUCKETT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, WILLIAM TYNER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 70 Hawthorn-road, Caulfield.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £95.

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

“WILLIAM TYNER.”

5. PAWNBROKERS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, a Bill to amend Section Nineteen of the *Pawnbrokers Act 1928* was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th July next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928* I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable Sir Alan Currie,
The Honorable Clifden Henry Andrews Eager,
The Honorable Sir George Goudie,
The Honorable Sir John Harris,
The Honorable John Percy Jones,
The Honorable Gordon Stewart McArthur, and
The Honorable Daniel Laurence McNamara

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

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

FRANK CLARKE,

President of the Legislative Council.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

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

The Honorable Sir William Angliss,
The Honorable James Herbert Disney,
The Honorable Richard Kilpatrick, and
The Honorable Marcus Saltau

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

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

FRANK CLARKE,

President of the Legislative Council.

8. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable A. J. Pittard moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Sir Alan Currie for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. H. Disney moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable William James Beckett for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Paul Jones moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Percy James Clarey for one month on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable P. J. Kennelly moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Daniel Laurence McNamara for one month on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Sir William Angliss for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable A. J. Pittard moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable George Bolster for three months on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Lieut.-Colonel the Honorable G. V. Lansell moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable James Herman Lienhop for one month on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable M. Saltau moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Archibald Crofts for one month on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, a Bill to revise the Statute Law and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th July next.

10. HAIRDRESSERS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, a Bill to amend Sections Two and Five of the *Hairdressers Registration Act 1936* was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th July next.

11. PAPERS.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Bush Fires—Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the Causes of and Measures taken to prevent the Bush Fires of January, 1939, and to protect Life and Property; and the Measures to be taken to prevent Bush Fires in Victoria and to protect Life and Property in the event of future Bush Fires.

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1937–38.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 31st March, 1939.

Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—

Proclamations—Proclaiming the following trades to be Apprenticeship Trades in the Metropolitan District—

- Bread Making and Baking.
- Pastrycooking.

Regulations—

- Amendment of Boilermaking and/or Steel Construction Trades Regulations (No. 2).
- Amendment of Boot Trades Regulations (No. 2).
- Amendment of Electrical Trades Regulations (No. 3).
- Amendment of Engineering Trades Regulations (No. 2).
- Amendment of Fibrous Plastering Trade Regulations (No. 1).
- Amendment of Motor Mechanics Regulations (No. 2).
- Amendment of Moulding Trades Regulations (Nos. 1 and 2) (two papers).
- Amendment of Sheet Metal Trade Regulations (No. 2).
- Breadmaking and Baking Trade Regulations (No. 1) (two papers).
- Pastrycooking Trade Regulations (No. 1).

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—

- For the quarter ended 31st December, 1938.
- For the quarter ended 31st March, 1939.

Bush Fire Brigades Act 1933—Amendment of Regulations—Bush Fire Brigades Committee.

Companies Act 1938—

- Regulations, Fees and Forms (two papers).
- Summary of Statements for the year 1937 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance business in Victoria.

Constitution Act Amendment Acts—

- Amendment of Election Regulations 1930.
- Amendment of Legislative Council Elections Regulations 1936.

Country Roads (Traffic Regulation) Act 1938—Traffic Line Regulations 1938.

Dairy Products Acts—Report of the Victorian Dairy Products Board for the six months ended 31st December, 1938.

Dried Fruits Acts—Statement showing details of Receipts and Expenditure under the Dried Fruits Acts during the year 1938.

Education Acts—Regulations—

- Regulation IV. (G)—Intermediate Certificate.
- Regulation XI. (J)—Certificate of Competency in Speech Training.
- Regulation XLV., Clause 1—Tuition Fees for Secondary Education.

Explosives Act 1928—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the working of the Act during the year 1938.

Fair Rents Act 1938—Fair Rents Regulations 1939.

Fisheries Acts—Notices of Intention to issue Proclamations—

Respecting Netting in—

- Mallacoota Inlet.
- Sydenham Inlet.
- Tamboon Inlet (two papers).

To fix a Bag Limit for Macquarie Perch.

To permit Netting in Long Lake and Round Lake, near Lake Boga.

To prescribe a Bag Limit for Quinnot Salmon and Trout (non-indigenous to Victoria) taken from—

- Lake Bullen Merri.
- Lake Purrumbete.

To prohibit—

All Fishing in Lakes Bullen Merri and Purrumbete from 1st May to 31st August in each year.

All Fishing in or the Taking of Fish from—

- Certain streams from 1st September to 30th November in each year.
 - The Tarwin River and its tributaries from 1st May to 15th December (both days inclusive) in each year.
 - The Werribee River within a distance of one hundred yards below the outlet from the Melton Reservoir.

Taking of Oysters from certain areas in Wingan Inlet.

Friendly Societies Act 1928, Trades Unions Act 1928, Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1928, and Superannuation and Other Trust Funds Validation Act 1932—Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1938.

Geelong Harbor Trust—Accounts and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1938.

Gold Buyers Act 1938—Gold Buyers Regulations 1938.
 Grain Elevators Acts—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasurer concerning the repayment of advances made to the Grain Elevators Board.
 Industrial Life Assurance Act 1938—Regulations—Mortality Table and Rate of Interest.
 Justices Act 1928 and Acts Interpretation Act 1928—Amendment of Justices Act Rules 1936 (No. 1).
 Land Act 1928—Particulars of Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 110 (four papers).
 Medical Act 1928—Pharmacy Board of Victoria—Pharmacy Regulations 1939.
 Milk Board Acts—Regulations (two papers).
 Mines Acts—Annual Report of the Mines Department for the year 1938.
 Public Service Act 1928—

Copy of Papers in connexion with the promotion of—

Ronald Victor Davis from the Fifth Class to the Fourth Class, Department of Law.
 Arnaldo Joseph Lewis James from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
 Alan Stephen Penrose from the Third Class to the Second Class, Department of Treasurer.

Regulations—

Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division, Chapter III.
 Attendance and Conduct of Officers, Chapter XII.—Part IV., Special Attendances.
 Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—

Department of Agriculture (two papers).
 Department of Chief Secretary.
 Department of Labour.
 Department of Lands and Survey.
 Department of Public Works (three papers).
 Department of Treasurer (two papers).

Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Agriculture (four papers).
 Department of Labour.
 Department of Lands and Survey (two papers).
 Department of Law (two papers).
 Department of Mines (four papers).
 Department of Public Health.
 Department of Public Instruction.
 Department of Public Works (two papers).

Public Service Act 1928 and Lunacy Acts—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter III.—Department of Mental Hygiene.

Public Works Committee Act 1935—Fifth Annual Report of the Public Works Committee.

Railways—

Award No. 60 made by the Railways Classification Board relating to Rates of Salaries and Wages for the year 1938 together with the Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners with regard thereto.

Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners—

For the quarter ended 31st December, 1938.
 For the quarter ended 31st March, 1939.

Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act 1928—General abstract of the number of Births, Deaths and Marriages registered during 1938 in Victoria.

State Savings Bank Acts—General Order No. 36.

Superannuation Act 1928—Report of the State Superannuation Board for the year 1937-38.

Supreme Court Act 1928—Amendment of Rules of the Supreme Court.

Trade Unions—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1938, with an Appendix.

Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1938.

Workers' Compensation Acts—The Workers Compensation Board Regulations No. 2.

Zoological Gardens Act 1936—Amendment of Regulations—Charges for admission.

12. SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor.

The Honorable J. M. Balfour moved, That the Council agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

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

Debate ensued.

The Honorable A. J. Pittard moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th July next.

13. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two million six hundred and eight thousand five hundred and one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and forty* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

14. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 11th July next, at half-past Four o’clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty-three minutes past Ten o’clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th July next.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 11TH JULY, 1939.

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

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables P. J. Clarey, A. Crofts, J. H. Lienhop, and D. L. McNamara delivered to the Clerk the Declarations required by the fifty-fifth section of the Act No. 3660, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, PERCY JAMES CLAREY*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as ‘Boomerang,’ 692 Inkerman-road.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £63.

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

“P. J. CLAREY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, ARCHIBALD CROFTS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as 468 St. Kilda-road, Melbourne.

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

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

“A. CROFTS.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, JOHN HERMAN LIENHOP*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Bendigo and are known as No. 296 Williamson-street, Bendigo, and No. 23 Pyke-street, Bendigo.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Bendigo are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £180.

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

“J. H. LIENHOP.”

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, DANIEL LAURENCE McNAMARA, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as house and land known as 'Iona,' Talbot-avenue, East St. Kilda.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £53.

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

"D. L. McNAMARA."

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 29th June last, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Consolidated Revenue Act.

4. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have appointed a Committee to join with the Committee of the Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee consisting of Mr. Bailey, Colonel Cohen, Mr. Hollway, Mr. Macfarlan, Mr. Oldham, and Mr. Slater, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum.

5. QUEENSCLIFF LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservation of Certain Land at Queenscliff permanently reserved as a Site for a Public Park and for the Reservation of such Land as a Site for a Baby Health Centre*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 25th instant.

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

Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—

Amendment of Electrical Trades Regulations (No. 3).

Amendment of Engineering Trades Regulations (No. 2).

Amendment of Motor Mechanics Regulations (No. 2).

Pastrycooking Trade Regulations (No. 1).

Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928—Statement of Appointments and Alterations of Classification in the Department of the Legislative Assembly.

Dried Fruits Act 1938—Statement of Receipts and Payments by the Dried Fruits Board for the year 1938.

Fruit and Vegetables Act 1928—Amendment of Regulations.

Marketing of Primary Products Act 1935—

Proclamation declaring that Maize shall become the property of the Maize Marketing Board.

Regulations—

Chicory Marketing Board—Regulation added.

Egg and Egg Pulp Marketing Board—Amendment of Regulations (three papers).

Maize Marketing Board—Amendment of Regulations.

Onion Marketing Board—Fourth to Ninth periods of time for computation of or accounting for the net proceeds of the sale of onions (two papers).

Milk and Dairy Supervision Acts—Regulations—Cream strainers.

Stock Foods Act 1928—Amendment of Regulations.

Vegetation and Vine Diseases Act 1928—Amendment of Regulations.

Water Act 1937—Orders in Council allotting to the Normanville Waterworks District and to the Jeparit, Longwarry, Merbein, Quambatook, and Springvale Urban Districts amounts of liability for the cost of works serving those districts (two papers).

7. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business; and that no new business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Honorables the President, Sir Alan Currie, C. H. A. Eager, W. H. Edgar, Sir George Goudie, Sir John Harris, J. P. Jones, D. L. McNamara, M. Saltau, and G. J. Tuckett be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. **HOUSE COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Honorables Sir William Angliss, P. P. Inchbold, E. L. Kiernan, D. L. McNamara, and H. Pye be members of the House Committee.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Honorables the President, E. L. Kiernan, R. Kilpatrick, M. Saltau, and W. Tyner be members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Honorables the President, J. M. Balfour, G. Bolster, G. L. Chandler, J. H. Disney, E. L. Kiernan, Lieut.-Colonel G. V. Lansell, G. S. McArthur, H. H. Olney, and A. J. Pittard be members of the Printing Committee; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws, adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables W. J. Beckett, C. H. A. Eager, W. H. Edgar, Sir George Goudie, Sir John Harris, and J. P. Jones, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; five to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.
13. **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for address see page 12 *ante*), having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by the President and such members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, be postponed until after No. 4.
15. **HAIRDRESSERS REGISTRATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
16. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 25th instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty-eight minutes past Nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 25th instant.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. This is essential for ensuring the integrity of the financial data and for providing a clear audit trail. The records should be kept up-to-date and should be accessible to all relevant parties.

2. The second part of the document outlines the procedures for handling any discrepancies or errors that may arise. It is important to identify the source of the error and to take appropriate steps to correct it. This may involve reviewing the original documents and consulting with the relevant personnel. The goal is to ensure that the records are accurate and that any errors are promptly resolved.

3. The third part of the document describes the process for archiving the records. Once the records have been reviewed and any errors corrected, they should be stored in a secure and accessible location. This may be a physical filing cabinet or a digital storage system. The records should be retained for a period of time that is consistent with the applicable laws and regulations.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 25TH JULY, 1939.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The President reported that, accompanied by honorable members, he had, on the 13th instant, waited upon His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council, adopted on the 11th instant, in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King I thank you for your expressions of loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign contained in the Address you have just presented to me.

I fully rely on your wisdom in deliberating upon the important measures to be brought under your consideration, and I earnestly hope that the results of your labours will be conducive to the advancement and prosperity of this State.

- 3. YINNAR LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide, upon the Surrender to His Majesty of certain Land in the Parish of Yinnar, for the Reservation thereof as a Site for Public Recreation, and for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain other Land in the said Parish temporarily reserved as a Site for Public Recreation, and for the Sale of Part of such Land and the Application of the Proceeds of such Sale, and for the Proclamation of the Remainder of such Land as a Road, and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

- 4. TRUSTEE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section Four of the 'Trustee Act 1928'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

- 5. STATE FORESTS (TIMBER SALVAGE) LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize and make Provision with respect to Timber Salvage Operations in State Forests destroyed or damaged by Bush Fires, to authorize the raising of Money for that Purpose and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money, and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

- 6. KEILAMBETE LANDS EXCHANGE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Keilambete temporarily reserved as a Site for Public Purposes and for the Exchange thereof for certain other Land in the Parish of Terang to be reserved as a Site for Public Recreation and Watering Purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

7. **SHEEP OWNERS PROTECTION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘ Sheep Owners Protection Act 1935 ’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
8. **FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Farm Produce Agents Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. **ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Governor, viz. :—
- MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—
- We, His Majesty’s faithful and loyal subjects, the Members of the Legislative Council of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire to convey to Your Excellency the expression of our loyalty to His Majesty’s Throne and Person, and our regard for the high office which His Majesty has been pleased to confer upon Your Excellency.
- We extend to Your Excellency on behalf of the people of this State a cordial welcome to Victoria, and we beg that Your Excellency will receive our assurances that we shall at all times readily co-operate with Your Excellency in advancing the welfare of this part of His Majesty’s Dominions beyond the Seas, and in preserving the connexion with the Mother Country.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President and members of the Council.
10. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
- Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—
 Amendment of Boot Trades Regulations (No. 2).
 Amendment of Bread Making and Baking Trade Regulations (No. 1).
 Amendment of Plumbing and Gasfitting Regulations (No. 3).
- Friendly Societies—Sixty-first Annual Report of the Government Statist relating to the period of twelve months ended 30th June, 1938, with Appendices.
- Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners—Statement of Accounts for the year 1938.
- Melbourne Sailors’ Home Act 1901—Accounts and Statements of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1938.
- State Electricity Commission Acts—Amendment of Licensing of Electrical Mechanics Regulations 1934.
11. **PAWNBROKERS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- House in Committee.
- The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
12. **SUPREME COURT BILL.**—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘ Supreme Court Act 1928 ’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
13. **STATE FORESTS (TIMBER SALVAGE) LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- House in Committee.
- The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau, having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until after No. 3.

15. QUEENSLIFF LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

16. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 1st AUGUST, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported that, accompanied by honorable members, he had, on the 26th July last, waited upon His Excellency the Governor and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council which was agreed to on the 25th July last, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King I thank you for the expression of loyalty to His Majesty's Throne and Person.

It will afford me much pleasure to convey to His Majesty the sentiments expressed in the Address which you have just presented to me.

For the cordial welcome which you, on behalf of the people of this State, have extended to me, I thank you, and I assure you that it will always be a pleasure to me to associate myself with you in advancing the welfare of this part of His Majesty's Dominions, and in preserving the connexion which so happily exists between the Mother Country and our State.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 31st July last, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

State Forests (Timber Salvage) Loan and Application Act.
Queenscliff Land Act.

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

Milk Board Acts—Regulation—Contributions by Dairymen and Owners of Milk Depots.

Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—

Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Law.

Department of Public Instruction.

Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—Allowances to certain officers—Department of Public Instruction.

University of Melbourne—Annual Report, for the period 1st August, 1937, to 31st December, 1938, together with Statutes and Regulations and Amendments allowed by His Excellency the Governor or Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.

5. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

6. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment.

The Honorable M. Saltau moved, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 2 and 4.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
C. H. A. Eager,
C. P. Gartside,
P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell (*Teller*),
G. S. McArthur,
A. J. Pittard,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour (*Teller*),
P. J. Clarey,
J. H. Disney,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
Paul Jones,
P. J. Kennelly,
R. Kilpatrick,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
G. J. Tuckett.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the "Ayes" and for the "Noes" to be respectively eleven, or equal, the Deputy-President said—

The numbers being equal, it becomes my duty to give a casting vote, and in order that the Committee may have an opportunity for further consideration of the two clauses I give my voice with the "Ayes."

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

7. BENDIGO LAND BILL.—The Deputy-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Revocation as to Part of a Deed of Grant to the Council of the Municipal District of Sandhurst their Successors and Assigns of certain Land in the Parish of Sandhurst, and of the Reservation or Purported Reservation of such Land as a Site for a General Market and for the Crown Grant of Part of such Land to the State Electricity Commission of Victoria, and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable G. L. Chandler moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable William James Beckett delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the fifty-fifth section of the Act No. 3660, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, WILLIAM JAMES BECKETT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as ‘Aloha,’ Shakespeare-grove.*

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

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

“W. J. BECKETT.”

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 7th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Bendigo Land Act.
Pawnbrokers Act.
4. PAWNBROKERS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.
5. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Dairy Products Acts—Amendment of Regulations.
6. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments and desiring their concurrence therein.
7. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.

8. TRUSTEE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. SUPREME COURT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. YINNAR LANDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 22nd instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty-nine minutes past Nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 22nd instant.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented Messages from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the dates mentioned hereunder, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - On the 14th instant—
 - Statute Law Revision Act.*
 - Supreme Court Act.*
 - Yinnar Lands Act.*
 - On the 21st instant—
 - Trustee Act.*
3. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Appointment of a Public Trustee and the Powers and Duties thereof and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. TREASURY OVERDRAFTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to continue the Treasury Overdrafts Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. MOTOR CAR (FEES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to increase the Fees payable on the Registration and Renewal of Registration of certain Motor Cars*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. INSTRUMENTS (INSURANCE CONTRACTS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Contracts of Life Insurance*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
7. ARCHITECTS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, a Bill to amend the *Architects Act 1928* was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time later this day.

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

Education Act 1928—Amendment of Regulations—Drawing Teacher's Certificates and Art Teacher's Certificate and Diploma.

Fisheries Acts—Notices of Intention to issue Proclamations—

Respecting Prohibition of certain Fishing in the Wurdee Boluc Storage Reservoir during the whole year.

To fix a Bag Limit for Trout (non-indigenous to Victoria) taken from the Goulburn River and its tributaries above or upstream from the bridge over the Goulburn River at Thornton.

To prohibit Fishing in portion of the Goulburn River below the Eildon Weir from 1st September to 31st October in each year.

Health Act 1928—Boarding and Lodging House Regulations 1939.

Lands Compensation Act 1928—Return under section 37 showing the amount of money paid for the year 1938–39 by the State Electricity Commission for land resumed in connexion with the works and undertakings of the Commission.

Marketing of Primary Products Act 1935—

Proclamation declaring that Eggs shall become the property of the Egg and Egg Pulp Marketing Board.

Regulations—Fourth period of time for computation of or accounting for the net proceeds of the sale of maize.

Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—

Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—

Department of Public Works.

Department of State Forests.

Department of Water Supply (two papers).

Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Public Works.

Department of State Forests.

Department of Treasurer.

Department of Water Supply.

Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—Allowances to certain officers—Department of Public Instruction.

9. KEILAMBETE LANDS EXCHANGE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

10. SHEEP OWNERS PROTECTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

12. MOTOR CAR (FEES) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

13. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor, informing the Council that he had, on the 28th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Keilambete Lands Exchange Act.*
 - Sheep Owners Protection Act.*
 - Motor Car (Fees) Act.*
3. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Three hundred and twenty-two thousand four hundred and ninety-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight and One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two million eight hundred and seventy-two thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and forty* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—Amendment of Plastering Regulations (No. 2).
 - Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, and Acts Nos. 3660 and 4367, during the year 1938-39.
 - Fire Brigades Acts—Country Fire Brigades Board—Superannuation Fund Regulations 1939.
 - Stock Foods Act 1928—Regulations.
 - Workers Compensation Board Fund—Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1939, and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the period 18th July, 1938, to 30th June, 1939.
6. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

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

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

7. ARCHITECTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

8. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (NO. 2).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

9. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (NO. 3).—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 12th September next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 12th September next.

P. T. POOK,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

(SPECIAL MEETING.)

1. The Council met pursuant to a summons issued by the President under Standing Order No. 43.
2. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
3. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable Sir William Angliss delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the fifty-fifth section of the Act No. 3660, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928, I, WILLIAM CHARLES ANGLISS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as part of allotment 6, section 24, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, volume 3701, folio 740157.*

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £720.

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

“W. ANGLISS.”

4. The President said—

This is the second occasion that I have had to summon a Special Meeting of the Council since the Standing Order under which I have acted was adopted.

As on the last occasion in 1925 I acted only after being assured by the Government that it was desired that a Special Meeting of the Council be summoned.

Being satisfied that there were matters arising out of the emergency caused by the Declaration of War which the Government desired to submit for the consideration of Parliament I came to the conclusion that it was desirable that the members of the Council should meet for the consideration of such matters and I thereupon summoned members to this Special Meeting.

I look to the Leader of the Government to assure me that the matters which he proposes to submit are matters which arise out of the emergency caused by the Declaration of War.

5. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 31st August last, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Consolidated Revenue Act (No. 2).

Consolidated Revenue Act (No. 3).

6. COUNTRY ROADS BOARD FUND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to further amend the ‘Country Roads Board Fund Act 1932 (No. 2)’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for later this day—
The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a second time later this day.
7. FINANCIAL EMERGENCY (GRANTS AND FUNDS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to further amend Part IV. of the ‘Financial Emergency Act 1931’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
8. FINANCIAL EMERGENCY (MORTGAGES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to continue the Operation of certain and to amend other Provisions of the Financial Emergency (Mortgages) Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF INTEREST) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘Local Government (Temporary Reduction of Interest) Act 1931’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
10. SEWERAGE DISTRICTS (TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF INTEREST) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘Sewerage Districts (Temporary Reduction of Interest) Act 1931’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for later this day—
The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a second time later this day.
11. BARWON RIVER IMPROVEMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Improvement of the Barwon River and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for later this day—
The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
Ordered, after debate—That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
12. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Council and have made other amendments in the Bill and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
13. FINANCIAL EMERGENCY (MORTGAGES) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF INTEREST) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

15. SEWERAGE DISTRICTS (TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF INTEREST) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
16. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS (FINANCIAL) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Application of Moneys standing to the Credit of the Developmental Railways Account to recoup the Consolidated Revenue Portion of the Amount contributed out of the said Revenue to the National Debt Sinking Fund*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, to be read a second time later this day.
17. COUNTRY ROADS BOARD FUND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
18. FINANCIAL EMERGENCY (GRANTS AND FUNDS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
19. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS (FINANCIAL) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
20. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That this Special Meeting of the Council stand adjourned until to-morrow at half-past Four o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

(ADJOURNED SPECIAL MEETING.)

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make Provision with respect to the Security and Protection of the People of Victoria*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

3. **SLUM RECLAMATION AND HOUSING BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Slum Reclamation and Housing Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

4. **ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no new business except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be suspended in relation to this Special Meeting of the Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**—The Honorable A. J. Pittard moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable George Bolster for the remainder of the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. **NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

FRIDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment.

Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the Report be now adopted—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris the Report was then adopted, and the Bill was, after debate, read a third time and passed.

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

7. **UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Three of the ‘Unemployment Relief Loan and Application Act 1932’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

8. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts or in the State Loans Repayment Fund for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

9. **FREEZING WORKS (OVERDRAFT GUARANTEE) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the Treasurer of Victoria to guarantee the Payment to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia by the Amalgamated Freezing Company (Victoria) Proprietary Limited of Moneys advanced by the said Bank to the said Company by way of Overdraft for the purposes of its Undertakings at Ballarat and Bendigo during the Financial Year 1939–1940, and the Payment of Interest on such Moneys* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

10. **SLUM RECLAMATION AND HOUSING BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. FREEZING WORKS (OVERDRAFT GUARANTEE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

12. PUBLIC TRUSTEE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Council and agreed to by the Assembly and the amendments made by the Assembly in the Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the
Legislative Assembly.

2. Clause 2, line 21, after "Trustee" insert "not to be or".

Agreed to and the following amendments made in the Bill:—

Clause 41, line 11, after "Trustee" insert "not to be or".

Clause 42, line 23, after "Trustee" insert "not to be or".

Clause 43, line 33, after "Trustee" insert "not to be or".

Clause 44, line 18, after "Trustee" insert "not to be or".

Clause 45, line 41, omit "no longer" and insert "not or has ceased to be".

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Council agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in the Bill and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

13. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

14. UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

15. BARWON RIVER IMPROVEMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

16. NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the resolution of the Council on the 29th August last fixing Tuesday, the 12th September, as the next day of meeting of the Council be rescinded, and that the Council, at its rising, adjourn until a day and hour to be fixed by Mr. President or, if Mr. President is unable to act on account of illness or other cause, by the Chairman of Committees, which time of meeting shall be notified to each honorable member by telegram or letter.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council at fifty-three minutes past One o'clock in the morning adjourned until a day and hour to be fixed by Mr. President or, if Mr. President is unable to act on account of illness or other cause, by the Chairman of Committees, which time of meeting shall be notified to each honorable member by telegram or letter.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 10.

THURSDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1939.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment, the President, pursuant to resolution, having fixed this day at Eleven o'clock as the time of meeting.
2. ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT.—The Clerk having announced that the Honorable the President was unavoidably absent from the Council, the Honorable W. H. Edgar, on the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, was chosen to fill temporarily the office and perform all the duties of the President during such absence.
3. The Acting-President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables George Bolster and Sir Alan Currie delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the fifty-fifth section of the Act No. 3660, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, GEORGE BOLSTER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat, and are known as 126 Barkly-street, Ballarat.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £52.

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

“GEORGE BOLSTER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928*, I, HENRY ALAN CURRIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Lexton, and are known as ‘Ercildoune Estate.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Lexton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £2,804.

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

“H. ALAN CURRIE.”

5. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented Messages from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the dates mentioned hereunder, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

On the 8th September last—

National Security (Emergency Powers) Act.

On the 11th September last—

Financial Emergency (Mortgages) Act.

Local Government (Temporary Reduction of Interest) Act.

Sewerage Districts (Temporary Reduction of Interest) Act.

Country Roads Board Fund Act.

Financial Emergency (Grants and Funds) Act.

Developmental Railways (Financial) Act.

On the 18th September last—

Slum Reclamation and Housing Act.

Freezing Works (Overdraft Guarantee) Act.

Public Trustee Act.

Water Supply Loans Application Act.

Unemployment Relief Loan and Application Act.

Barwon River Improvement Act.

6. MARKETING OF PRIMARY PRODUCTS (VALIDATION) BILL.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to validate the Appointment and Constitution under the ‘Marketing of Primary Products Act 1935’ of the Body known as The Egg and Egg Pulp Marketing Board, and for purposes connected therewith*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

7. TRANSPORT REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Interpretations of ‘Commercial goods vehicle’ and ‘Commercial passenger vehicle’ in Section Five of the ‘Transport Regulation Act 1933’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 17th instant.

8. FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday, the 17th instant.

9. The President took the Chair.

10. PAPERS.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1938.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Boilers Inspection Act 1928—Regulation—Fees payable for inspecting Boilers—(two papers).

Dairy Products Acts—Report of the Victorian Dairy Products Board for the six months ended 30th June, 1939.

Education Act 1928—Regulations—

Regulation IV. (G)—Intermediate Certificate.

Regulation XI. (Q)—Certificate of Competency in Forestry.

Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to issue a Proclamation to alter the conditions respecting the use of Bait Nets in portion of the Glenelg River.

Marketing of Primary Products Act 1935—Amendment of Onion Marketing Board Regulation—Sales of White Onions.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1938-39.

National Security (Emergency Powers) Act 1939—

National Security (Police Auxiliary Force) Regulations.

National Security (Police Recall) Regulations.

National Security (Protection of Government Property) Regulations.

National Security (Railways) Regulations.

National Security (Transactions in Commodities) Regulations.

Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—
 Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—
 Department of Agriculture.
 Department of Chief Secretary.
 Professional Division, Chapter II.—
 Department of Lands and Survey.
 Department of Law.
 Department of Public Works.
 Department of Water Supply.
 Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners—
 For the quarter ended 30th June, 1939.
 For the year 1938–39.
 State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year 1938–39.

11. **MARKETING OF PRIMARY PRODUCTS (VALIDATION) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 17th instant.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at twenty-one minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 17th instant.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No 11.

TUESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 9th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Marketing of Primary Products (Validation) Act.
3. ARCHITECTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.
4. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Horse Breeding Act 1928 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. BALACLAVA METHODIST CHURCH LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to enable the Trustees of certain Land at Balaclava in the City of St. Kilda held by them for the purposes of the Methodist Church of Australasia in Victoria to sell or otherwise deal with or dispose of the said Land, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
The Honorable H. Pye moved, That this Bill be dealt with as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable H. Pye moved, That this Bill be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Anti-Cancer Council Act 1936—Third Annual Report of the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria for the year 1938–1939, together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and audited Balance-sheet.
Fire Brigades Act 1928—Report of the Country Fire Brigades Board for the year 1938–39 together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Assets and Liabilities for that period.
Freezing Works (Overdraft Guarantee) Act 1938—Account of sums paid out of the Consolidated Revenue to the Commonwealth Bank under Guarantee given by the Treasurer of Victoria.
Freezing Works (Overdraft Guarantee) Act 1939—Statement of Guarantee given to the Commonwealth Bank by the Treasurer of Victoria.
Health Act 1928—Report of the Commission of Public Health for the year 1938–39.
Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for the year 1938, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1937–38.
Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—
Department of Public Instruction.
Department of Water Supply.
Professional Division, Chapter II.—
Department of Law.
Department of Public Instruction.
Department of Public Works (two papers).
Department of Treasurer (two papers).
Public Service Act 1928 and University Act 1928—Amendment of Regulation XII., Part I.—
Training of Teachers.
River Murray Waters Act 1915—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year 1938–39.

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, be postponed until later this day.
8. **INSTRUMENTS (INSURANCE CONTRACTS) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. **TREASURY OVERDRAFTS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. **FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Council and agreed to by the Assembly with an amendment having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

2. Clause 2, at the end of the clause insert—

“(6) In any case where the Minister refuses to grant or renew a licence the applicant on giving to the Minister at least three days’ notice in writing of his intention so to do may appeal against such refusal to any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices, and if after hearing the appeal the court decides that such licence ought to be granted or renewed the Minister shall grant or renew such licence accordingly; and every such decision shall be final and conclusive.”

Agreed to with the following amendment:—

Omit “on giving to the Minister at least three days’ notice in writing of his intention so to do may appeal against such refusal to any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices, and if after hearing the appeal the court” and insert “may by notice in writing addressed to the Minister appeal against such refusal to the Governor in Council, and if the Governor in Council”.

The Honorable G. J. Tuckett moved, That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly on the amendment of the Council.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable C. P. Gartside moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “That” be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “the Council disagree with the amendment made by the Assembly on the amendment of the Council but make the following amendment in the amendment of the Council, viz.:—

Omit ‘to any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices, and if after hearing the appeal the court’ and insert ‘to a judge of the Supreme Court in chambers, and if after hearing the appeal the judge’”.

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly on the amendment of the Council—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendment made by the Assembly on the amendment of the Council.

11. **TRANSPORT REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.

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

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

12. **SHEPPARTON LAND BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Shepparton permanently reserved as a Site for an Agricultural High School and for the Revocation of the Crown Grant of such Land and for the Disposal of such Land, and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

13. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the issue of Treasury Bonds*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
14. **LAND TAX BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and forty*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
15. **INCOME TAX (ASSESSMENT) AMENDMENT BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Sections One hundred and eighty-seven and One hundred and eighty-eight of the ‘Income Tax (Assessment) Act 1936’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
16. **HORSE BREEDING BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
17. **BALACLAVA METHODIST CHURCH LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
18. **TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
19. **LAND TAX BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
20. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 23rd instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Architects Act.*
 - Instruments (Insurance Contracts) Act.*
 - Treasury Overdrafts Act.*
 - Farm Produce Agents Act.*
 - Transport Regulation (Amendment) Act.*
 - Horse Breeding Act.*
 - Balaclava Methodist Church Land Act.*
 - Treasury Bonds Act.*
 - Land Tax Act.*
3. MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to require the Owners of Motor Cars to insure against Liability in respect of Deaths or Bodily Injuries caused by the Use of such Motor Cars, to enable Insurance in relation to Motor Cars to be undertaken by the State, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. FORESTS (EXCHANGE OF LANDS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision with respect to the Exchange of Forest Land for Unoccupied Crown Land* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available for Railways under Loan Acts or in the State Loans Repayment Fund, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Public Works and other Purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application for such Purposes of the Money so raised or of Money in the State Loans Repayment Fund, and for other Purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

7. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
- Education Act 1928—Report of the Council of Public Education for the year 1938–39.
 - National Security (Emergency Powers) Act 1939—
 - National Security (Emergency Transport) Regulations.
 - National Security (Municipalities Contributions) Regulations.
 - National Security (Prices) Regulations.
 - National Security (Reservoirs) Regulations.
 - Public Service Act 1928 and Lunacy Acts—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter III.—Department of Mental Hygiene.
 - State Electricity Commission Act 1929—Statement relating to the proposed abandonment of the Tramway in Moorabool-street, Geelong, from Corio-terrace to the Wharf.
8. MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. INCOME TAX (ASSESSMENT) AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. SHEPPARTON LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 30th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Income Tax (Assessment) Amendment Act.*
 - Shepparton Land Act.*
 - Public Works Loan and Application Act.*
3. UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF TAX (RATES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to declare the Rates of Unemployment Relief Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. ELECTORAL BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Elections*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. MILK BOARD BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Milk Board Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. WATER BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Water Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two million six hundred and eighty-nine thousand seven hundred and ninety-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and forty*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
8. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to issue a Proclamation to prescribe a Bag Limit for Quinnat Salmon and Trout (non-indigenous to Victoria) taken from the Wurdee Boluc Storage Reservoir.
 - Slum Reclamation and Housing Act 1938—Housing (Standard of Habitation) Regulations.
 - Transport Regulation Board—Annual Report for the year 1938-39.

9. MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair, and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again. Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. BIRTHS NOTIFICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Births Notification Act 1930’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
12. INCOME TAX (RATES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year beginning on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
13. FORESTS (EXCHANGE OF LANDS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
14. UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF TAX (RATES) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee. The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed. Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, this day, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Act.

3. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until later this day.
4. **ELECTORAL BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, the 14th instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. **MILK BOARD BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, the 14th instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **WILLS (WAR SERVICE) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Ten of the ‘Wills Act 1928’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 14th instant.
7. **GRAIN ELEVATORS (FINANCIAL) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make Provision for the Creation and Issue of Inscribed Stock by the Grain Elevators Board, and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
8. **ACTS INTERPRETATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Twenty-five of the ‘Acts Interpretation Act 1928’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 14th instant.
9. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 14th instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty-six minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 14th instant.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 6th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Railway Loan Application Act.*
 - Forests (Exchange of Lands) Act.*
 - Unemployment Relief Tax (Rates) Act.*
 - Grain Elevators (Financial) Act.*
3. DOG BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Dog Act 1936 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. BALLAARAT PUBLIC HALL BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Approval as a Site for a Hay Corn and General Market and the Reservation as a Site for a Market of Certain Land in the City of Ballaarat and for the Reservation of such Land as a Site for a Public Hall, and to empower the Council of the City of Ballaarat to borrow Money for the purpose of the Erection Fitting and Furnishing of a Public Hall thereon, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
5. HAIRDRESSERS REGISTRATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same with amendments, including an amended Title, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. Ordered—That the amendments made by the Assembly be considered later this day.
6. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the following questions, viz. :—
 - (a) Whether there is any evidence of the truth of the allegations contained in the articles published in the *Truth* newspaper on the 2nd September, 1939, and 9th September, 1939, and headed “ *Truth will talk if Money talks* ” and “ *Truth ready to take up challenge in Assembly* ” respectively ;
 - (b) Whether the publication of the said articles, or either of them, constitutes a breach of the privileges of this House or is in contempt of Parliament ; and
 - (c) Whether there has been any breach of the privileges of this House or a contempt of Parliament by any person or persons who have committed any of the acts referred to in the said articles.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That the Select Committee consist of the Honorables Sir Alan Currie, C. H. A. Eager, Sir George Goudie, Sir John Harris, J. P. Jones, G. S. McArthur, D. L. McNamara, and the Mover ; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time ; four to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—

Amendment of Painting, Decorating and Signwriting Regulations (No. 2).

Proclamation proclaiming Butchering and/or Small Goods Making to be Apprenticeship Trades in the Metropolitan District.

Fire Brigades Act 1937—Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board—Regulations relating to the issue of debentures.

Mental Hygiene—Report of the Director of Mental Hygiene for the year 1938.

Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—Professional Division, Chapter II.—

Department of Public Health.

Department of Public Instruction.

Department of Public Works.

Department of Treasurer.

State Accident Insurance Office—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for the year 1938–39.

8. MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 35.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

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

9. MILK BOARD BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.

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

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

P. T. POOK,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

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

2. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, by leave, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly requesting that leave be given to the Honorable A. A. Dunstan, Premier, and the Honorable E. J. Hogan, Minister of Agriculture, members of that House, to attend before the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper) in order to their being examined in regard to the matters referred to the Committee and to produce any papers and documents in their possession relating thereto.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper) be empowered to hear counsel to such extent as they shall think fit on behalf of persons interested in the inquiry.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

State Coal Mines—Annual Report of the General Manager, including the State Coal Mines.

Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1938–39.

Superannuation Act 1923—Report of the State Superannuation Board for the year 1938–39.

4. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable Sir George Goudie for the Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business and that no new business except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded, and that for the remainder of the Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MILK BOARD BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
6. ELECTORAL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. WATER BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
8. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES (FUND) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Payment of the Sum of Four hundred and forty thousand pounds annually out of the Consolidated Revenue into the Hospitals and Charities Fund*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. INCOME TAX (RATES) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. FARMERS DEBTS ADJUSTMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section One and sub-section (4) of Section Two of the 'Farmers Debts Adjustment Act 1935'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 20th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Milk Board Act.
Income Tax (Rates) Act.
3. MINES (PETROLEUM) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Mines (Petroleum) Act 1935’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. TRANSFER OF LAND (FORGERIES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Payment of Damages from the Assurance Fund under the ‘ Transfer of Land Act 1928’ in certain Cases where Forged Instruments or Documents are registered in the Office of Titles and the Effect of such Registration is subsequently cancelled, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
5. FAIR RENTS (WAR SUSPENSION) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Operation of the ‘ Fair Rents Act 1938’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
6. PRIVILEGE (ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER).—The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper) be empowered in their inquiries to avail themselves to such extent as they shall think fit of the assistance of counsel if the Government makes provision for the same.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. PAPERS.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1938–39.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—Amendment of Plastering Regulations (No. 2).
Education Act 1928, Public Service Act 1928, and University Act 1928—Amendment of Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.
Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to Issue a Proclamation to alter the conditions respecting Netting in Corio Bay.
Fire Brigades Act 1928—Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board—Report of the Board for the year 1938–39.
Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—
Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—
Department of Agriculture.
Department of Water Supply (two papers).
Stores and Transport, Chapter XIV.—Tender Board.

8. HAIRDRESSERS REGISTRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 3, at the end of the clause insert the following sub-clauses :—

“(3) In paragraph (a) of sub-section (3) of section five of the Principal Act for the word ‘one’ there shall be substituted the expression ‘two (of whom one is engaged in the practice of hairdressing outside the Metropolitan District within the meaning of the *Factories and Shops Act 1928*)’.

(4) In paragraph (b) of sub-section (3) of section five of the Principal Act—

(a) for the word ‘two’ there shall be substituted the word ‘one’ ;

(b) for the word ‘panels’ there shall be substituted the words ‘a panel’ ; and

(c) the words ‘and the Guild of Ladies’ Hairdressers of Victoria’ shall be repealed.

(5) In sub-section (10) of section five of the Principal Act for the words ‘may appoint a person’ there shall be substituted the words ‘may subject to this Act appoint an eligible person’.”

Insert the following new clauses to follow clause 3 :—

2. A. In sub-paragraph (i) of paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of section six of the Principal Act after the word “examiners” there shall be inserted the expression “(no one of whom shall be a person connected whether directly or indirectly with any school of hairdressing registered under this Act)”.

3. B. For sub-section (1) of section eight of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following sub-section :—

“(1) Any person who after the commencement of this Act applies to be registered under this Act in respect of any prescribed class of hairdressing shall be entitled to be so registered if the Board is satisfied that such person was—

(a) at any time during the period of twelve months immediately prior to the commencement of this Act or the period after such commencement terminating at the date of such application ;
or

(b) at any time prior to the commencement of this Act for a period or periods aggregating not less than four years—

bona fide engaged in Victoria in the practice of hairdressing of that class either as a principal or as a teacher or as an employé other than an apprentice or improver.”

4. In the Title, omit “and Five” and insert “Five Six and Eight”.

Amendments 1 and 2, after debate, agreed to.

Amendment 3—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the Council agree to this amendment made by the Assembly.

The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the question :—“with the following amendment, viz. :—After ‘improver’ insert ‘Provided that the Board before registering any such person under paragraph (b) of this sub-section shall be satisfied that such person is competent in the practice of hairdressing’”.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added to the question :—“with the following amendment, viz. :—In paragraph (b) after ‘time’ insert ‘within the period of twenty years’”.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added to the question be so added—put and negatived.

Debate on the main question continued.

Question—That the Council agree to this amendment made by the Assembly—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 4 agreed to.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until later this day.

10. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES (FUND) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. **ELECTORAL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

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

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

12. **FARMERS DEBTS ADJUSTMENT BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

13. **PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that the Assembly, being of opinion that the purpose for which it is proposed in the Message from the Council to examine the Honorable the Premier and the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture before a Committee of that body contemplates the exercise of a power to interfere with the functions of the Executive not intended by the Constitution to be conferred upon the Council and further that compliance with such request would involve a serious breach of the privileges of the Assembly and its Members, must refuse its consent to the Honorable the Premier and the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture becoming witnesses as requested.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

14. **WATER BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments (pursuant to Joint Standing Order No. 21), calling attention to clerical errors in this Bill, viz. :—

In clause 13—

In line 24, the expression “(a)” has been inserted instead of the expression “(i)”.

In line 27, the expression “(b)” has been inserted instead of the expression “(ii)”.

In line 30, the expression “(c)” has been inserted instead of the expression “(iii)”.

In clause 29, line 33, the word “on” has been inserted instead of the word “upon”,

and acquainting the Council that they have agreed that such errors be corrected by the insertion of the expressions “(i)”, “(ii)”, and “(iii)” instead of the expressions “(a)”, “(b)”, and “(c)” in clause 13, lines 24, 27, and 30 respectively; and by the insertion of the word “upon” instead of the word “on” in clause 29, line 33, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Council concurred with the Assembly in the correction of the clerical errors discovered in this Bill and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

No. 18.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - State Electricity Commission of Victoria—Report for the year 1938-39.
 - State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Thirty-fourth Annual Report 1938-39.
3. **BIRTHS NOTIFICATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

4. WILLS (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. ACTS INTERPRETATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
6. DOG BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MORDIALLOC STREET CONSTRUCTION) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to certain Streets in the City of Mordialloc*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. BALLAARAT PUBLIC HALL BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment and desiring their concurrence therein.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 and 7, be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. FAIR RENTS (WAR SUSPENSION) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 27th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Water Act.
Hairdressers Registration Act.
Hospitals and Charities (Fund) Act.
Farmers Debts Adjustment Act.
Births Notification Act.
Acts Interpretation (Amendment) Act.
Wills (War Service) Act.
Dog Act.
Fair Rents (War Suspension) Act.
Ballaarat Public Hall Act.

3. MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with a consequential amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.

4. BALLAARAT PUBLIC HALL BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in such Bill.

5. EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate the Execution of Instruments and Powers of Attorney during the Present War*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

6. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to facilitate the Execution of Trusts during the Present War*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

7. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable C. H. A. Eager, Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House to inquire into and report upon the following questions, viz. :—

- (a) Whether there is any evidence of the truth of the allegations contained in the articles published in the *Truth* newspaper on the 2nd September, 1939, and 9th September, 1939, and headed "*Truth will talk if Money talks*" and "*Truth ready to take up challenge in Assembly*" respectively;
- (b) Whether the publication of the said articles, or either of them, constitutes a breach of the privileges of this House or is in contempt of Parliament; and
- (c) Whether there has been any breach of the privileges of this House or a contempt of Parliament by any person or persons who have committed any of the acts referred to in the said articles—

together with the Minutes of Proceedings and the Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table and the Report to be printed.

8. **SUBPOENA SERVED ON CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.**—The President announced that a subpoena had been served on the Clerk requiring him to attend the Royal Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, to inquire into certain matters connected with or relating to the Money Lenders Bill 1938 and the Milk Board Bill 1939, on Wednesday, the 29th day of November, 1939, at the hour of Ten o'clock in the forenoon at No. 2 High Court, High Court Buildings, Little Bourke-street, Melbourne, to give evidence touching the matters aforesaid and to produce the following documents, viz. :—

1. All exhibits and records produced before the Legislative Council Select Committee on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper).
2. Minutes or other records of the Legislative Council relating to the introduction of and passage through Parliament of the Money Lenders Bill 1938 and the Milk Board Bill 1939.

The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That leave be given to the Clerk or such other officer of the Legislative Council as he may direct to attend the Royal Commission and produce the documents required by the subpoena.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

- Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the years 1937 and 1938.
- Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust—Thirty-second Balance-sheet as at 30th June, 1939.
- Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet together with Schedule of Contracts for the year 1938–39.
- Milk and Dairy Supervision Act 1928—Regulations.
- Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ended 30th September, 1939.
- Totalizator Acts—Totalizator (Double) Regulations 1939.

10. **MINES (PETROLEUM) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

11. **MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council and disagreed with by the Assembly and the consequential amendment made by the Assembly in the Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
13. Clause 22, line 24, omit "whether or not".	} Disagreed with.
15. Clause 23, line 41, omit "whether or not".	
18. Clause 29, line 14, after "licence" insert "or direct that such licence be held only under such con- ditions as the court thinks fit".	} Agreed to, and the following consequential amendment made in the Bill :— Clause 29, sub-clause (1), paragraph (b), omit this paragraph and insert— " (b) (if the court thinks fit) declare such owner or driver— (i) to be disqualified for obtaining a licence; or (ii) to be disqualified for obtaining or holding a licence except under such conditions— for such time as the court thinks fit."

Amendments 13 and 15, after debate, not insisted on.

Amendment 18—Consequential amendment made by the Assembly in the Bill agreed to.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council do not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly and have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Assembly in the Bill.

12. **TRANSFER OF LAND (FORGERIES) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

13. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MORDIALLOC STREET CONSTRUCTION) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

14. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 20.

TUESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the 4th instant, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - Motor Car (Third-Party Insurance) Act.*
 - Transfer of Land (Forgeries) Act.*
 - Local Government (Mordialloc Street Construction) Act.*
3. STAMPS (INCREASED DUTY CONTINUANCE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to continue the Operation of certain Provisions of the Stamps Acts relating to the Imposition of Increased Stamp Duties on certain Instruments*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (FRUIT SHOPS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Sub-section (2) of Section Eighty-four of the Factories and Shops Act 1928*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. FORESTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Forests Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. MENTAL DEFICIENCY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make provision for the Care of Mentally Defective Persons and Mentally Retarded Children and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
7. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to Weights and Measures*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
8. OMEO HOSPITAL LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide, upon the Transfer and Surrender of certain Lands at Omeo to His Majesty, for the Reservation of such Lands as a Site for Hospital purposes and for the Revocation of the Reservations of certain other Lands at Omeo temporarily reserved for Hospital purposes and for the Sale of such other Lands and for the Application of the Proceeds of such Sale, and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

9. LAND (RESIDENCE AREAS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision for the Excision of Portion of certain Streets and Roads* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
10. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to continue the operation of Part III. of the ‘ Finance Act 1930 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
11. UNIVERSITY (VETERINARY RESEARCH) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Three of the ‘ University Act Amendment Act 1930 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
12. CARBOOR AND MOYHU LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Carboor reserved as a Site for Public Recreation and for the Sale of such Land and for the Application of the Proceeds of such Sale towards recouping the Cost of the Purchase of other Land in the Parish of Moyhu to be reserved as a Site for Public Recreation, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
13. PRESTON (BRUCE-STREET) LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Closing of Portion of a certain Street in the City of Preston, to vest in His Majesty the Land upon which the said Portion of the said Street is set out and to provide for the Reservation of the said Land for Educational and Recreation purposes, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
14. ELECTORAL BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in such Bill.
15. MINES (PETROLEUM) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in such Bill.
16. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.—The Honorable Sir Alan Currie moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the unsatisfactory position of primary industry in this State ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
17. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Charities Board of Victoria—Report for the year 1938–39.
Factories and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1938.
Forests Commission of Victoria—Twentieth Annual Report, Financial Year 1938–39.
Libraries Act 1928—Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Alteration of Rules and Regulations.
Slum Reclamation and Housing Act 1938—First Annual Report of the Housing Commission of Victoria for the period 1st March, 1938 to 30th June, 1939.
Water Act 1937—Amendment of Order in Council, dated 30th July, 1938—Further adjustment of liability for cost of works in the Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply District.
18. EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
19. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

20. STAMPS (INCREASED DUTY CONTINUANCE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
21. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
22. PRESTON (BRUCE-STREET) LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
23. LAND (RESIDENCE AREAS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
24. UNIVERSITY (VETERINARY RESEARCH) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
25. CARBOOR AND MOYHU LANDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
26. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (FRUIT SHOPS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
27. OMEO HOSPITAL LANDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable Sir William Angliss having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. STATE SAVINGS BANK (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to declare that the Office heretofore held by a certain Person as Commissioner of the State Savings Bank of Victoria is vacant, to make Provision with respect to the Validity of the Constitution and Acts and Proceedings of the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria, and to amend Section Seven of the ‘ State Savings Bank Act 1928 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Country Roads Board—Report for the year 1938–39.
 - Farm Produce Agents Acts—Regulations.
 - Grain Elevators Act 1934—Report of the Grain Elevators Board for the year ended 31st October, 1939.
 - Land Act 1928—Certificate of the Minister of Public Instruction relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the Wangaratta High School.
4. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (DISQUALIFICATION) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to remove Doubts as to the Scope of certain Provisions of ‘ The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1928 ’ and to amend Sections Twenty-seven and Twenty-eight of the said Act* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
5. STATE SAVINGS BANK (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, and had amended the title thereof, which title is as follows:—

“ *An Act to declare that the Office heretofore held by a certain Person as Commissioner of the State Savings Bank of Victoria is vacant, to make Provision with respect to the Validity of the Constitution and Acts and Proceedings of the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria, and to amend Sections Seven and Eight of the ‘ State Savings Bank Act 1928 ’* ”—

 the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments and desiring their concurrence therein.
6. CASTLEMAINE HOSPITAL LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservations of certain Lands at Castlemaine reserved as Sites for Hospital Purposes and for the Sale of such Lands and for the Application of the Proceeds of such Sale towards recouping the Cost of the Purchase of other Land at Castlemaine to be reserved as a Site for Hospital Purposes, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
7. PORT FAIRY LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide upon the Transfer and Surrender to His Majesty of certain Lands in the Parish of Belfast for the Reservation of such Lands as Sites for Water Supply purposes and for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain other Land in the Parishes of Bootahpool and Warrong reserved as a Site for Water Supply purposes and for the Closing of a Road upon such other Land and for the Sale of such other Land and for the Application of the Proceeds of such Sale, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
8. BUSH FIRE BRIGADES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Bush Fire Brigades Act 1933 ’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive, be postponed until after the Notice of Motion, General Business.

10. ROYAL COMMISSION—LEAVE TO MEMBERS TO ATTEND AS WITNESSES.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That leave be given to members of the Legislative Council to attend, if they think fit, as witnesses before the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into certain matters connected with or relating to the Money Lenders Bill 1938 and the Milk Board Bill 1939.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. FORESTS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. H. Disney having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment and desiring their concurrence therein.
12. FITZROY (REGENT-STREET) LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Closing of Portion of a Street known as Regent-street in the City of Fitzroy, the Vesting in His Majesty of the Land upon which the said Portion of the said Street is set out and the Grant of the said Land to the Mother Rectress of St. Vincent’s Hospital and certain other Members of the Religious Order known as the Sisters of Charity administering the Affairs of the said Hospital* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. J. Tuckett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the Council, at two minutes past Eleven o’clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 22.

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (OMNIBUSES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Paragraph (j) of Section Fifty-nine of the ‘Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Act 1928’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. HEALTH (SALE OF HORSEFLESH) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to prohibit the Slaughter of Horses and Sale of Horseflesh for Human Consumption, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. STATE SAVINGS BANK (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in such Bill.
5. FORESTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council with an amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration later this day.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Apprenticeship Acts—Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria—
 - Amendment of Boilermaking and/or Steel Construction Trades Regulations (No. 2).
 - Amendment of Carpentry and Joinery Regulations (No. 2).
 - Amendment of Electrical Trades Regulations (No. 3).
 - Amendment of Engineering Trades Regulations (No. 2).
 - Amendment of Motor Mechanics Regulations (No. 2).
 - Amendment of Moulding Trades Regulations (No. 2).
 - Amendment of Sheet Metal Trade Regulations (No. 2).
7. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments and desiring their concurrence therein.

8. **BALLAARAT LANDS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Reservations of certain Lands in the City of Ballaarat permanently reserved as Sites for Market Purposes and for Offices of the Ballaarat District Benevolent Asylum and Lying-in Hospital respectively and for the Revocation of the Crown Grants of such Lands, and for the Repeal of the ‘Ballaarat Court House Land Act 1902’ and for the Revocation of the Setting apart of certain Land in the said City thereunder, and for the Reservation of a Part of the said Lands as a Site for Public Offices and for the Revocation of the Reservation of certain other Land in the said City permanently reserved as a Site for Public Offices, and for the Re-definition of the Boundaries of certain Land in the said City permanently reserved and granted as a Site for a Free Library and Reading Rooms, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to Hospitals and Charities* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. **PATRIOTIC FUNDS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision with respect to the Regulation and Control of the Raising and Collection of Moneys for Patriotic Funds in connexion with the Present War, and for purposes connected therewith* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. **POLICE OFFENCES (GAMING) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section One hundred and fifty-five of the ‘Police Offences Act 1928’* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
12. **MENTAL DEFICIENCY BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
13. **FORESTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Council and agreed to by the Assembly with an amendment having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—
- | Amendment made by the Legislative Council. | How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly. |
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| <p>1. Clause 13, sub-clause (1), omit this sub-clause and insert the following new sub-clause:—
 “(1) The Commission by notice in writing—
 (a) may require any person who is conducting any industrial operations in any State forest or any sawmilling operations in any fire protected area; and
 (b) shall require any person who is conducting any sawmilling operations in any part of a fire protected area where in the opinion of the Commission lives may be endangered by fire—
 to construct or provide dug-outs shelters safety zones or other works, sufficient to afford protection from fire to all persons employed at or in connexion with such operations together with all members of their families living in the vicinity, within such time and in accordance with such plans designs and specifications as are specified in the notice or otherwise prescribed.”</p> | <p>Agreed to with the following amendment—
 Omit paragraph (b) and insert—
 “(b) shall if in the opinion of the Commission lives may be endangered by fire require any person who is conducting any industrial operations in any State forest or sawmilling operations in any part of a fire protected area”.</p> |
- On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Council agreed to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—ALTERATION OF HOUR OF MEETING—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at Eleven o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 23.

TUESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented Messages from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had, on the dates mentioned hereunder, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Acts presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
 - On the 8th instant—
 - Electoral Act.*
 - Mines (Petroleum) Act.*
 - Execution of Instruments Act.*
 - Stamps (Increased Duty Continuance) Act.*
 - Administration and Probate Duties Act.*
 - Preston (Bruce-street) Land Act.*
 - Land (Residence Areas) Act.*
 - University (Veterinary Research) Act.*
 - Carboor and Moyhu Lands Act.*
 - Omeo Hospital Lands Act.*
 - State Savings Bank (Commissioners) Act.*
 - On the 11th instant—
 - Factories and Shops (Fruit Shops) Act.*
 - Forests Act.*
3. PAPERS.—The Honorable Sir John Harris presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1938–39.
 - Indeterminate Sentences Board—Report for the year 1938–39.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

 - Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns—
 - For the quarter ended 30th June, 1939.
 - For the quarter ended 30th September, 1939.
 - Education Act 1928—Regulation XV.—School Discipline.
 - Public Service Act 1928—Regulations—
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VII.—
 - Department of Labour.
 - Department of Public Works.
 - Department of Treasurer.
 - Department of Water Supply.
 - Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Mines.
4. CASTLEMAINE HOSPITAL LANDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

5. **PORT FAIRY LANDS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
6. **BUSH FIRE BRIGADES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. **FITZROY (REGENT-STREET) LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
8. **MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS (OMNIBUSES) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. **HEALTH (SALE OF HORSEFLESH) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. **BALLAARAT LANDS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. Kilpatrick having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. **HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable M. Saltau having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment and desiring their concurrence therein.
12. **PATRIOTIC FUNDS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments and desiring their concurrence therein.

13. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Message from His Excellency the Governor, pursuant to the provisions of Section XXXVI. of The Constitution Act, recommending the following amendment which he desires to be made in this Bill, and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to such amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein :—

Clause 3, sub-clause (6), page 3, paragraph (b), line 4, omit “and” and insert “or”.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir John Harris, the Council agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor, and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

14. WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in such Bill.
15. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make provision with respect to Contributions and Benefits of Members of Friendly Societies engaged on War Service outside Australia*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
16. HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in such Bill.

17. POLICE OFFENCES (GAMING) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

18. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (DISQUALIFICATION) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the members of the Legislative Council and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report and the Bill was read a third time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the members of the Legislative Council and passed.

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

19. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

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

Closer Settlement Act 1938—Regulations.

Special Funds Act 1910—Regulations.

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

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1939.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 2. BALLAARAT LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments (pursuant to Joint Standing Order No. 21), calling attention to clerical errors in this Bill, viz. :—

In the Fourth Schedule, the words “seven and one-half inch” have been inserted instead of the words “seven and one-half inches”.

In the Seventh Schedule, the word “being” has been inserted instead of the word “bearing”—and acquainting the Council that they have agreed that such errors be corrected by the insertion of the words “seven and one-half inches” instead of the words “seven and one-half inch” in the Fourth Schedule, and by the insertion of the word “bearing” instead of the word “being” in the Seventh Schedule, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. Pye, the Council concurred with the Assembly in the correction of the clerical errors discovered in this Bill and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.
 3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 30th September, 1939.
 4. MOTOR CAR (ILLEGAL USE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Nineteen of the ‘Motor Car Act 1930’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir George Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
 5. PATRIOTIC FUNDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Council in such Bill.
 6. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (DISQUALIFICATION) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Council in such Bill.
 7. MOTOR CAR (ILLEGAL USE) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
 8. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
 9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 16th January next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Sir John Harris moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at three minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 16th January next.

P. T. POOK,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

SESSION 1939.

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

The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was received after the final adjournment of both Houses :—

WINSTON DUGAN,

Governor of Victoria.

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

- Mental Deficiency Act 1939.
- Execution of Trusts Act 1939.
- Castlemaine Hospital Lands Act 1939.
- Port Fairy Lands Act 1939.
- Bush Fire Brigades Act 1939.
- Fitzroy (Regent-street) Land Act 1939.
- Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways (Omnibuses) Act 1939.
- Health (Sale of Horseflesh) Act 1939.
- Weights and Measures Act 1939.
- Hospitals and Charities Act 1939.
- Police Offences (Gaming) Act 1939.
- Friendly Societies (War Service) Act 1939.
- Ballaarat Lands Act 1939.
- Patriotic Funds Act 1939.
- Members of Parliament (Disqualification) Act 1939.
- Motor Car (Illegal Use) Act 1939.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 18th December, 1939.

On the 18th December, 1939, His Excellency the Governor gave the Royal Assent to the following Act, presented by Mr. Speaker :—

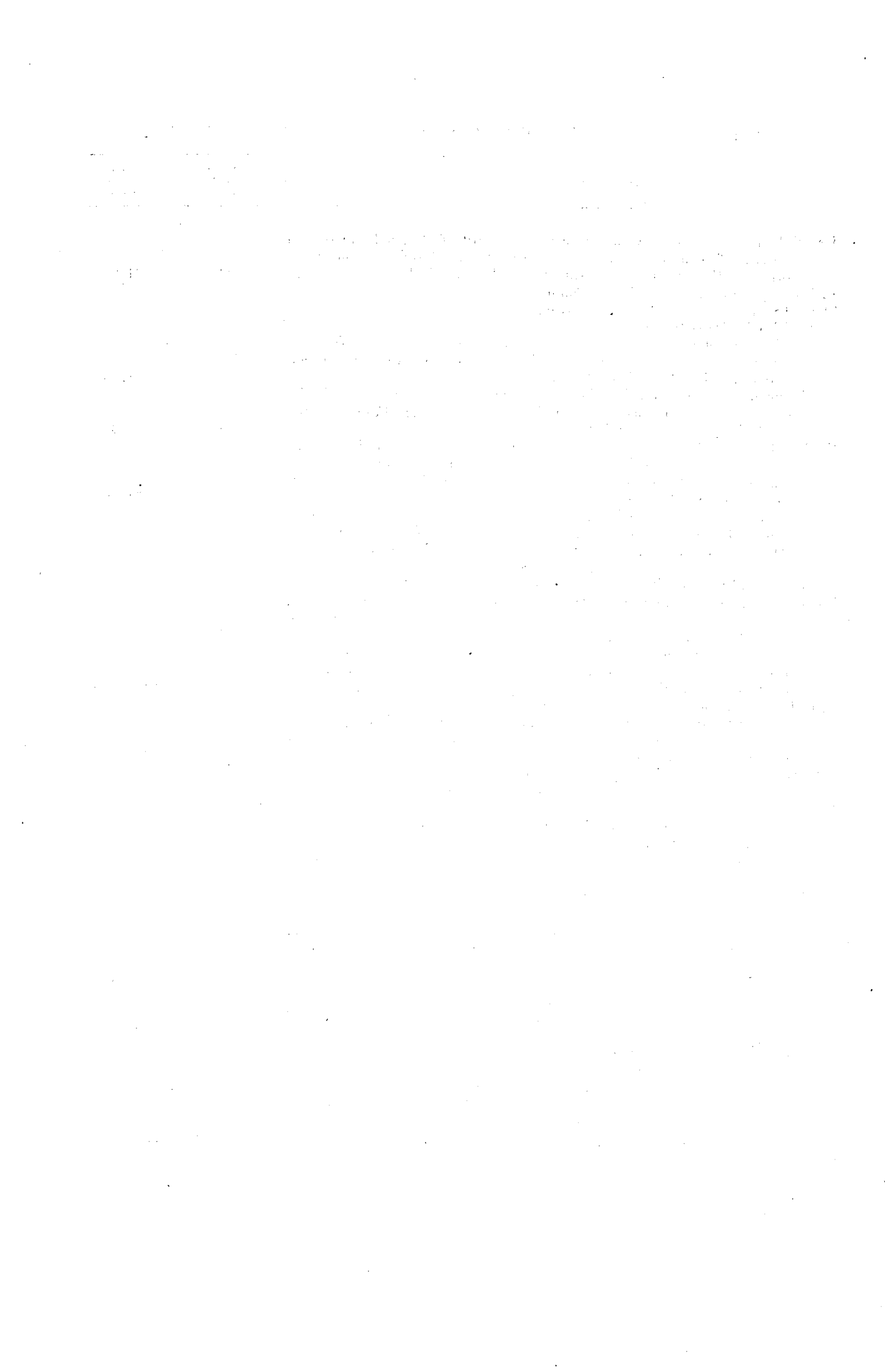
- Appropriation Act 1939.



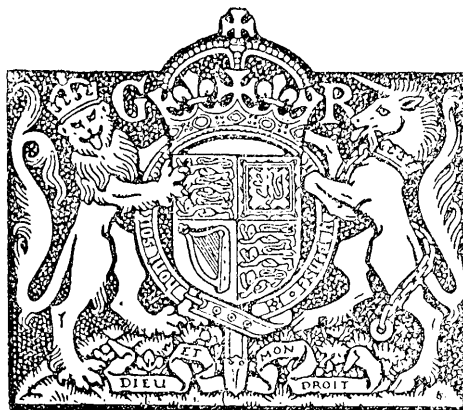
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Mortgages—Number of registered mortgages discharged each year and amount of principal secured by such mortgages (<i>Hon. P. J. Clarey</i>)	15	2011
Motor Car Acts—Trucks and cars registered as primary producers' vehicles by residents in metropolitan area—Verification of statements supporting applications for such registration (<i>Hon. P. J. Kennelly</i>)	3	542
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Sheep Stealing—Number of sheep reported as stolen and number of convictions obtained during the two years before and after the passing of the <i>Sheep Owners Protection Act 1935</i> (<i>Hon. R. Kilpatrick</i>)	9	1459
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MONDAY, JANUARY 15.

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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Tuesday, the sixteenth day of January, 1940: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, 1940.

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

(L.S.)

WINSTON DUGAN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. A. DUNSTAN,
Premier.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

[1940

DISCHARGING MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FROM ATTENDANCE AND
DISSOLVING THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Act* it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor to fix such places within Victoria and, subject to the limitation therein contained, such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Council and Assembly, and to vary and alter the same respectively in such manner as he might think fit; and also from time to time to prorogue the said Council and Assembly, and to dissolve the said Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he should deem it expedient: And whereas the said Council and Assembly, called "The Parliament of Victoria," stand adjourned until Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, 1940: And whereas it is expedient to dissolve the Legislative Assembly: Now therefore I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, in exercise of the power in me vested in this behalf, do by this my Proclamation discharge the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council from their meeting and attendance on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, 1940: And I do dissolve the Legislative Assembly, such dissolution to take effect on Thursday, the fifteenth day of February, 1940: And I do hereby declare that I have this day given Order that Writs be issued in due form, and according to law, for the election of Members to be duly returned to serve in the Legislative Assembly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria, at Melbourne, this fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty, and in the fourth year of the reign of His Majesty King George VI.

(L.S.)

WINSTON DUGAN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. A. DUNSTAN,
Premier.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

GENERAL ELECTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Excellency the Governor will issue Writs for a General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria on the day first hereinafter mentioned, viz. :—

Date of issue of Writs	...	...	...	...	...	Friday, 16th February, 1940.
Day of Nomination (before or on which nominations are to be made)	...	...	...	...	...	Friday, 1st March, 1940.
Day of Polling	...	...	...	...	...	Saturday, 16th March, 1940.
Return of Writs before or on	...	...	...	...	...	Friday, 29th March, 1940.

By His Excellency's Command,

C. W. KINSMAN,
Official Secretary.

The Governor's Office,
Melbourne, 14th February, 1940.

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SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1939.

No. 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 28th June, 1939.

The Hon. Sir Alan Currie	The Hon. J. P. Jones
C. H. A. Eager	G. S. McArthur
Sir George Goudie	D. L. McNamara.
Sir John Harris	

No. 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 11th July, 1939.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. Sir John Harris
Sir Alan Currie	J. P. Jones
C. H. A. Eager	D. L. McNamara
W. H. Edgar	M. Saltau
Sir George Goudie	G. J. Tuckett.

No. 3.—HOUSE (JOINT).

Appointed 11th July, 1939, under Act No. 3660, s. 367.

The Hon. the President (<i>ex officio</i>)	The Hon. E. L. Kiernan
Sir William Angliss	D. L. McNamara
P. P. Inchbold	H. Pye.

No. 4.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 11th July, 1939.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. M. Saltau
E. L. Kiernan	W. Tyner.
R. Kilpatrick	

SELECT COMMITTEES—*continued.*

No. 5.—PRINTING.

Appointed 11th July, 1939.

The Hon. the President
 J. M. Balfour
 G. Bolster
 G. L. Chandler
 J. H. Disney

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan
 Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell
 G. S. McArthur
 H. H. Olney
 A. J. Pittard.

No. 6.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

Appointed 11th July, 1939.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett
 C. H. A. Eager
 W. H. Edgar

The Hon. Sir George Goudie
 Sir John Harris
 J. P. Jones.

No. 7.—PRIVILEGE (ARTICLES IN *TRUTH* NEWSPAPER).

Appointed 14th November, 1939.

The Hon. Sir Alan Currie
 C. H. A. Eager
 Sir George Goudie
 Sir John Harris

The Hon. J. P. Jones
 E. L. Kiernan
 G. S. McArthur
 D. L. McNamara.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1939.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes

TUESDAY, 25TH JULY, 1939.

No. 1.—STATE FORESTS (TIMBER SALVAGE) LOAN AND APPLICATION BILL.—Clause 1—

Motion made and question put—That clause 1 be postponed.

—(Hon. C. H. A. Eager.)

Committee divided—The Hon. M. Saltau in the Chair.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler (*Teller*),
 C. H. A. Eager,
 J. P. Jones,
 G. S. McArthur,
 A. J. Pittard (*Teller*),
 W. Tyner.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour (*Teller*),
 P. J. Clarey,
 A. Crofts,
 J. H. Disney,
 C. P. Gartside,
 Sir John Harris,
 P. P. Inchbold,
 Paul Jones,
 J. A. Kennedy,
 P. J. Kennelly,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 R. Kilpatrick,
 W. MacAulay,
 D. L. McNamara,
 H. H. Olney,
 H. Pye,
 L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
 G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

FOR THE YEAR 1917

WASHINGTON: GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1918

THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE HAS THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE FOR THE YEAR 1917.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1939.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes

TUESDAY, 1ST AUGUST, 1939.

No. 1.—FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—Clause 2—

2. At the end of section six of the Principal Act there shall be inserted the following sub-section:—

“(5) The Minister may require any applicant for a licence or for the renewal of a licence to furnish the Minister with such particulars of the financial position of the applicant verified in such manner (whether by statutory declaration or otherwise) as the Minister thinks fit.”

—(Hon. G. J. Tuckett.)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted at the end of the clause:—

“(6) In any case where the Minister refuses to grant or renew a licence the applicant on giving to the Minister at least three days’ notice in writing of his intention so to do may appeal against such refusal to any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices, and if after hearing the appeal the court decides that such licence ought to be granted or renewed the Minister shall grant or renew such licence accordingly; and every such decision shall be final and conclusive.”

—(Hon. M. Saltau.)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. R. Kilpatrick in the Chair.

Ayes, 10.

- The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
- C. H. A. Eager,
- C. P. Gartside,
- P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
- J. P. Jones,
- J. A. Kennedy,
- Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
- A. J. Pittard (*Teller*),
- M. Saltau,
- W. Tyner.

Noes, 10.

- The Hon. J. M. Balfour (*Teller*),
- P. J. Clarey,
- J. H. Disney,
- Sir George Goudie,
- Sir John Harris,
- Paul Jones,
- P. J. Kennelly (*Teller*),
- H. Pye,
- L. R. Rodda,
- G. J. Tuckett.

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



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1939.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1939.

No. 1.—FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—Clause 2 (*on recommitment*)—

2. At the end of section six of the Principal Act there shall be inserted the following sub-section:—

“(5) The Minister may require any applicant for a licence or for the renewal of a licence to furnish the Minister with such particulars of the financial position of the applicant verified in such manner (whether by statutory declaration or otherwise) as the Minister thinks fit.”

—(*Hon. G. J. Tuckett.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted at the end of the clause:—

“(6) In any case where the Minister refuses to grant or renew a licence the applicant on giving to the Minister at least three days' notice in writing of his intention so to do may appeal against such refusal to any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices, and if after hearing the appeal the court decides that such licence ought to be granted or renewed the Minister shall grant or renew such licence accordingly; and every such decision shall be final and conclusive.”

—(*Hon. M. Saltau.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the words “any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices” be omitted from the proposed amendment with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “the Governor in Council.”

—(*Hon. J. P. Jones.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
A. Crofts,
C. H. A. Eager,
C. P. Gartside (*Teller*),
P. P. Inchbold,
J. A. Kennedy,
Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
G. S. McArthur,
W. MacAulay (*Teller*),
A. J. Pittard,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
Sir John Harris,
J. P. Jones,
Paul Jones,
R. Kilpatrick,
J. H. Lienhop (*Teller*),
H. H. Olney (*Teller*),
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda,
G. J. Tuckett.

The Tellers having declared the numbers for the “Ayes” and for the “Noes” to be respectively twelve, or equal, the Chairman gave his voice with the “Ayes” and declared the question to have been resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—FARM PRODUCE AGENTS BILL.—Clause 2 (*on recommitment*)—

[For this clause see Division No. 1 above.]

Question—That the following words :—

“(6) In any case where the Minister refuses to grant or renew a licence the applicant on giving to the Minister at least three days’ notice in writing of his intention so to do may appeal against such refusal to any court of petty sessions consisting of a police magistrate sitting without any other justice or justices, and if after hearing the appeal the court decides that such licence ought to be granted or renewed the Minister shall grant or renew such licence accordingly ; and every such decision shall be final and conclusive.”

proposed to be inserted at the end of the clause be so inserted—put.

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
A. Crofts (*Teller*),
C. H. A. Eager,
C. P. Gartside,
P. P. Inchbold,
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
G. S. McArthur,
W. MacAulay,
A. J. Pittard (*Teller*),
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
Sir John Harris,
Paul Jones,
R. Kilpatrick (*Teller*),
J. H. Lienhop,
H. H. Olney,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1939.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 4.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

No. 1.—FINANCIAL EMERGENCY (MORTGAGES) BILL.—Clause 3—

3. (1) In sub-section (2) of section nineteen of the Principal Act as amended by any Act for the words "Four pounds ten shillings" there shall be substituted the words "Four pounds fifteen shillings".

(2) Nothing in this section shall apply to interest payable on any debenture inscribed stock or mortgage issued created or given by any public or local authority.

—(Hon. Sir George Goudie.)

Question—That clause 3 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 24.

- The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
- J. M. Balfour,
- W. J. Beckett,
- P. J. Clarey (Teller),
- A. Crofts,
- J. H. Disney,
- C. H. A. Eager,
- Sir George Goudie,
- Sir John Harris,
- P. P. Inchbold,
- J. A. Kennedy,
- P. J. Kennelly,
- R. Kilpatrick,
- Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
- J. H. Lienhop,
- W. MacAulay,
- D. L. McNamara,
- H. H. Olney,
- A. J. Pittard,
- H. Pye,
- L. R. Rodda,
- M. Saltau,
- G. J. Tuckett,
- W. Tyner (Teller).

Noes, 2.

- The Hon. J. P. Jones (Teller),
- E. L. Kiernan (Teller).

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—FINANCIAL EMERGENCY (MORTGAGES) BILL.—Clause 14—

14. (1) Every order made whether before or after the commencement of this Act in accordance with sub-section (1) of section twenty-eight of the Principal Act as amended by any Act including this Act (hereinafter referred to as a "moratorium order")—

- (a) shall subject to that section continue in force until the first day of September One thousand nine hundred and forty; but
- (b) shall not continue in force beyond that day unless upon the application of the mortgagor the court makes a continuing order as hereinafter provided:

* * * * *

—(Hon. Sir George Goudie.)

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

"(11) Notwithstanding anything in the Financial Emergency (Mortgages) Acts where any mortgagor leaves Australia on naval military or air force service during the war commencing in the year One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine the moratorium order shall remain in force until a period of twelve months after such war finishes."

—(Hon. Sir Frank Clarke.)

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

Committee divided—The Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. Sir Frank Clarke,
C. H. A. Eager,
C. P. Gartside (*Teller*),
P. P. Inchbold,
E. L. Kiernan (*Teller*),
Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
J. H. Lienhop,
W. MacAulay,
H. H. Olney,
L. R. Rodda,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett (*Teller*),
P. J. Clarey,
A. Crofts (*Teller*),
J. H. Disney,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
P. J. Kennelly,
R. Kilpatrick,
D. L. McNamara,
A. J. Pittard,
H. Pye,
M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

No. 3.—NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—Clause 2—

2. (1) This Act shall unless sooner repealed continue in force for a period of twelve months from the passing thereof.

(2) If—

- (a) at the time of the publication in the *Government Gazette* of any regulation under this Act Parliament is not sitting; and
- (b) a petition signed by not less than twenty members of the Legislative Assembly or by not less than thirty members of Parliament all or any of whom are members of the Legislative Council objecting to such regulation and requesting that Parliament should be summoned is addressed to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly or the President of the Legislative Council—

Parliament shall be summoned to meet as soon as practicable thereafter.

—(Hon. Sir John Harris.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "twelve members of the Legislative Council or by not less than" be inserted after the word "than" (where first occurring).

—(Hon. C. H. A. Eager.)

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

Committee divided—The Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
G. L. Chandler (*Teller*),
A. Crofts,
C. H. A. Eager,
P. P. Inchbold,
J. A. Kennedy (*Teller*),
E. L. Kiernan,
W. MacAulay,
A. J. Pittard,
M. Saltau.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
P. J. Clarey,
J. H. Disney,
C. P. Gartside,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
J. P. Jones,
P. J. Kennelly,
R. Kilpatrick,
J. H. Lienhop,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney (*Teller*),
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—Clause 2—

[For this clause see Division No. 3 above.]

—(*Hon. Sir John Harris.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ of the Legislative Assembly or by not less than thirty members ” be omitted.

—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
P. J. Clarey,
J. H. Disney,
C. P. Gartside,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
P. P. Inchbold,
P. J. Kennelly (*Teller*),
R. Kilpatrick,
J. H. Lienhop,
W. MacAulay (*Teller*),
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss (*Teller*),
G. L. Chandler,
A. Crofts,
C. H. A. Eager,
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
E. L. Kiernan,
A. J. Pittard (*Teller*),
M. Saltau.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 5.—NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—Clause 5—

5. (1) Any regulations made under this Act—

- (a) may be made so as to apply to or have operation throughout the whole or any part of Victoria ;
- (b) may subject to this Act be made so as to operate for any period or periods or for any time or times or for any occasion or occasions specified therein ;
- (c) may be of general operation or of specially limited operation according to time place circumstances conditions or restrictions ;
- (d) shall be published in the *Government Gazette* and shall come into force on the date of such publication or on a later date specified in the regulations ;
- (e) shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as may be after the publication thereof and a copy thereof shall be posted to each member of Parliament ;
- (f) may be revoked by a resolution passed by both Houses of Parliament ; and
- (g) shall have effect as if enacted in this Act.

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—(*Hon. Sir John Harris.*)

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

“(3) Any person who pays into the Supreme Court the sum of Ten pounds as security for the costs of the proceedings hereinafter mentioned may apply to the said Court for an order calling upon the Minister to show cause why any regulation made or purporting to be made under this Act should not be quashed either wholly or in part for the illegality thereof ; and the said Court may make such order absolute or discharge the same with or without costs as to the said Court seems meet ”.

—(*Hon. C. H. A. Eager.*)

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

Committee divided—The Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 12.
 The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
 G. L. Chandler,
 A. Crofts (*Teller*),
 C. H. A. Eager,
 C. P. Gartside (*Teller*),
 J. P. Jones,
 J. A. Kennedy,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 G. S. McArthur,
 W. MacAulay,
 M. Saltau,
 W. Tyner.

Noes, 16.
 The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
 W. J. Beckett,
 P. J. Clarey,
 J. H. Disney,
 Sir George Goudie,
 Sir John Harris,
 P. P. Inchbold,
 P. J. Kennelly,
 R. Kilpatrick,
 J. H. Lienhop (*Teller*),
 D. L. McNamara (*Teller*),
 H. H. Olney,
 A. J. Pittard,
 H. Pye,
 L. R. Rodda,
 G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 6.—NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—Clause 8—

8. No action claim or demand whatsoever shall lie or be made or allowed by or in favour of any person whomsoever against His Majesty or any Minister of the Crown or any body municipality corporation officer or person *bona fide* acting in the execution of this Act or of any regulation made under this Act for or in respect of any damage loss or injury sustained or alleged to have been sustained by reason of the passing or operation of this Act or of anything done or purporting to be done thereunder save only in respect of reasonable compensation for any property used or taken by or on behalf of His Majesty in pursuance of any powers conferred by or under this Act.

—(*Hon. Sir John Harris.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ or purporting to be done ” be omitted.

—(*Hon. C. H. A. Eager.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 13.
 The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
 J. H. Disney (*Teller*),
 Sir George Goudie,
 Sir John Harris,
 P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
 P. J. Kennelly,
 R. Kilpatrick,
 J. H. Lienhop,
 D. L. McNamara,
 H. H. Olney,
 H. Pye,
 L. R. Rodda,
 G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 13.
 The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
 W. J. Beckett,
 G. L. Chandler,
 P. J. Clarey (*Teller*),
 A. Crofts,
 C. H. A. Eager,
 C. P. Gartside,
 J. P. Jones,
 J. A. Kennedy,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 G. S. McArthur (*Teller*),
 A. J. Pittard,
 W. Tyner.

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

FRIDAY MORNING, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1939.

No. 7.—NATIONAL SECURITY (EMERGENCY POWERS) BILL.—The Title—

AN ACT.

To make Provision with respect to the Security and Protection of the People of Victoria.

—(*Hon. Sir John Harris.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ *in time of War* ” be inserted after the word “ *Victoria* ”.

—(*Hon. C. H. A. Eager.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 13.
 The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
 G. L. Chandler,
 A. Crofts,
 C. H. A. Eager,
 C. P. Gartside,
 P. P. Inchbold,
 J. P. Jones (*Teller*),
 J. A. Kennedy,
 E. L. Kiernan,
 G. S. McArthur,
 H. H. Olney,
 A. J. Pittard,
 W. Tyner (*Teller*).

Noes, 13.
 The Hon. J. M. Balfour (*Teller*),
 W. J. Beckett,
 P. J. Clarey,
 J. H. Disney,
 Sir George Goudie,
 Sir John Harris,
 P. J. Kennelly,
 R. Kilpatrick (*Teller*),
 J. H. Lienhop,
 D. L. McNamara,
 H. Pye,
 L. R. Rodda,
 G. J. Tuckett.

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

VICTORIA.

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IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 31st OCTOBER, 1939.

No. 1.—MOTOR CAR (THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE) BILL.—Clause 4—

4. (1) This Part shall bind the Crown.

(2) This Part shall not apply to or with respect to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board or to motor cars owned by the said Board:

Provided that—

- (a) where the death of or bodily injury to any person is caused by or arises out of the use of any motor car owned by the said Board, the said Board shall in addition to and without affecting or limiting its liability apart from this Part, be liable to all such further claims and actions and to the same extent and with the same rights in all respects as if there were in force a contract of insurance under this Part relating to such motor car (limited in the manner and to the extent allowed by this Part) and the said Board were the authorized insurer; and
- (b) there shall be paid by the said Board annually to the Treasurer of Victoria a sum equal to the amounts which would be deducted under section nine of this Act in respect of motor cars owned by the said Board if a premium or premiums in respect thereof were paid to an authorized insurer by the Board, and the sums so paid annually shall be placed to the credit of the Motor Car (Hospital Payments) Fund.

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—(Hon. Sir George Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (2) be omitted.

—(Hon. C. H. A. Eager.)

Question—That the sub-clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour (*Teller*),
W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
Paul Jones,
P. J. Kennelly,
R. Kilpatrick,
J. H. Lienhop (*Teller*),
W. MacAulay,
D. L. McNamara,
H. Pye,
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
G. L. Chandler,
Sir Frank Clarke,
A. Crofts,
C. H. A. Eager,
C. P. Gartside,
P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy (*Teller*),
E. L. Kiernan,
G. S. McArthur,
H. H. Olney,
A. J. Pittard,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 6.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

No. 1.—MILK BOARD BILL.—Clause 3—

3. (1) Section fifteen of the Principal Act as re-enacted by section four of the Milk Board Act 1936 is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) At the end of sub-section (1) there shall be inserted the following sub-section:—

“(2) The Board shall from time to time after inquiry to be conducted as prescribed determine the maximum price at which milk may be sold by retail in the metropolis: Provided that the Board may determine different maximum prices according to—

- (i) the different descriptions and qualities of milk and the different grades of milk (if and when such grades are prescribed under the Milk and Dairy Supervision Acts);
(ii) whether the milk sold is delivered to the purchaser at a dairy or milk shop or elsewhere; and
(iii) whether the milk sold is or is not delivered to the purchaser in a container of any kind specified in the determination”; and

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—(Hon. G. J. Tuckett).

Amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted after the word “determination” :—

“In determining such maximum prices the Board shall amongst other matters have regard to the wholesale price of milk, the cost of treatment and delivery of milk, a reasonable return on capital invested and a fair and reasonable profit to persons engaged in selling milk by retail”.

—(Hon. A. J. Pittard.)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. Sir William Angliss in the Chair.

Ayes, 13.

- The Hon. G. Bolster,
G. L. Chandler (Teller),
A. Crofts,
C. H. A. Eager,
W. H. Edgar,
C. P. Gartside,
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
G. S. McArthur,
A. J. Pittard (Teller),
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 16.

- The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
P. J. Clarey,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
P. P. Inchbold,
Paul Jones (Teller),
P. J. Kennelly,
R. Kilpatrick (Teller),
J. H. Lienhop,
W. MacAulay,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

No. 2.—MILK BOARD BILL.—Clause 12—

12. At the end of section twenty-five of the Principal Act there shall be inserted the expression—

“ and no transfer of any licence under the said Part II. shall have any force or effect unless such transfer is first approved by the Board.

(2) Any dairyman or agent of a dairyman or other person who, whether on his own behalf or on behalf of another, sells transfers or otherwise disposes of or does any act towards the sale transfer or disposal of any retail delivery milk business in the metropolis to any other dairyman or person without the approval in writing of the Board first obtained, and any dairyman or person to whom any such business is so sold transferred or disposed of, shall be liable to a penalty of not more than One hundred pounds.

(3) Any dairyman who is aggrieved by any failure or refusal by the Board to approve any such sale transfer or other disposal by him may in the prescribed manner and within the prescribed time appeal from such failure or refusal to the Minister whose decision shall be final and shall be given effect to by the Board.”

—(*Hon. G. J. Tuckett.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ the Minister ” be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “ a judge of county courts ”.

—(*Hon. E. L. Kiernan.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
G. Bolster (*Teller*),
P. J. Clarey,
J. H. Disney,
C. P. Gartside,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
P. P. Inchbold,
Paul Jones,
P. J. Kennelly,
W. MacAulay,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney,
A. J. Pittard,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
C. H. A. Eager,
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy (*Teller*),
E. L. Kiernan,
G. S. McArthur (*Teller*),
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—WATER BILL.—Clause 25—

25. (1) In section two hundred and twenty-two of the Principal Act—

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(b) before the words “ For preventing and removing nuisances ” there shall be inserted the words—

“ For restricting or prohibiting the use of the water for other than domestic purposes.”

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—(*Hon. H. Pye.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word “ words ” (where last occurring) be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the word “ expression ”.

—(*Hon. C. P. Gartside.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. Sir William Angliss in the Chair.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
G. Bolster,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
Paul Jones,
D. L. McNamara (*Teller*),
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
C. H. A. Eager,
C. P. Gartside,
P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
G. S. McArthur,
W. Tyner (*Teller*).

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 7.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 1939.

No. 1.—FARMERS DEBTS ADJUSTMENT BILL.—Clause 2—

2. (1) In sub-section (2) of section one of the Principal Act for the words "for a period of six years from and after the said day" there shall be substituted the words "until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty-four".

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—(Hon. Sir George Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (1) be omitted.

—(Hon. C. H. A. Eager.)

Question—That the sub-clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided—the Hon. R. Kilpatrick in the Chair.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
G. Bolster,
P. J. Clarey,
J. H. Disney,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
P. J. Kennelly,
W. MacAulay (*Teller*),
D. L. McNamara,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda,
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss (*Teller*),
G. L. Chandler,
Sir Frank Clarke,
A. Crofts,
Sir Alan Currie,
C. H. A. Eager,
J. P. Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
A. J. Pittard (*Teller*),
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 8.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1939.

No. 1.—STATE SAVINGS BANK (COMMISSIONERS) BILL.—Clause 2—

2. (1) It is hereby declared that the office heretofore held by Albert Edward Hocking Esquire as Commissioner of the State Savings Bank of Victoria is vacant.

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—(Hon. Sir John Harris.)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (1) be omitted.

—(Hon. G. S. McArthur.)

Question—That the sub-clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.
Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 23.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss (*Teller*),
 J. M. Balfour,
 W. J. Beckett,
 G. Bolster,
 P. J. Clarey,
 J. H. Disney,
 C. P. Gartside (*Teller*),
 Sir George Goudie,
 Sir John Harris,
 P. P. Inchbold,
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 Paul Jones,
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 W. MacAulay,
 D. L. McNamara,
 H. H. Olney,
 A. J. Pittard,
 H. Pye,
 L. R. Rodda,
 M. Saltau,
 G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler,
 Sir Frank Clarke,
 C. H. A. Eager,
 J. A. Kennedy (*Teller*),
 G. S. McArthur (*Teller*),
 W. Tyner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1939.

No. 2.—WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL.—Clause 83 (*as amended*)—

83. (1) Every person selling coal shall sell the same by weight and not by measure.

(2) Every person selling firewood—

- (a) in any part of Victoria to which the provisions of this Division apply and which is specified for the purposes of this sub-section by Order of the Governor in Council published in the *Government Gazette*—shall sell the same by weight ;
- (b) in any part of Victoria to which the provisions of this Division apply and which is not so specified—shall sell the same by weight except when selling the same in a quantity exceeding ten cubic feet when stacked, in which event he may sell the same either by weight or by measure at the option of the purchaser.

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—(*Hon. G. J. Tuckett.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following words be inserted at the end of sub-clause (2) :—

“The provisions of this sub-section shall not apply to any person principally or substantially engaged in agricultural horticultural or pastoral pursuits when selling in a quantity of not less than forty cubic feet when stacked any firewood obtained in the course of clearing his land”.

—(*Hon. C. P. Gartside.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 4.

The Hon. G. L. Chandler (*Teller*),
C. P. Gartside,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner (*Teller*).

Noes, 14.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
C. H. A. Eager,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
J. P. Jones,
Paul Jones (*Teller*),
J. A. Kennedy,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda (*Teller*),
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—MENTAL DEFICIENCY BILL.—Clause 2—

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

—(*Hon. C. H. A. Eager.*)

Committee divided—the Hon. W. H. Edgar in the Chair.

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
G. L. Chandler,
C. H. A. Eager,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan (*Teller*),
G. S. McArthur,
M. Saltau (*Teller*),
W. Tyner.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
P. J. Clarey (*Teller*),
Sir Frank Clarke,
J. H. Disney,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
Paul Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
P. J. Kennelly,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney (*Teller*),
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

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Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1939.

No. 1.—PATRIOTIC FUNDS BILL.—Clause 2—

2. In this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

“Council” means the Patriotic Funds Council of Victoria constituted by this Act.

“Patriotic fund” means any fund (including all moneys and securities for money and all property real or personal in or forming part of such fund) heretofore or hereafter raised wholly or in part—

by private or public subscriptions collections or contributions; or
by carnivals fêtes entertainments or any other means (whether of the like nature or not) for raising money—

for any purpose in connexion with the war in which His Majesty is at present engaged (hereinafter called “the war”) and in particular for any of the following purposes, namely:—

- (a) For the relief of distress occasioned by the war whether in Victoria or elsewhere in the British dominions or in the territory of any of His Majesty’s allies, whether such territory is in enemy occupation or not;
- (b) For the equipment in whole or in part of any portion of His Majesty’s naval or military forces or of the naval or military forces of the Commonwealth including the equipment of any ambulance hospital or hospital ship;
- (c) For the supply of comforts or conveniences to officers and members of the said forces;
- (d) For the relief assistance or support of officers and members of the said forces (including officers whose appointments have been terminated and members who have been discharged) who are sick wounded disabled or out of employment or for the relief assistance or support of their dependants or of the dependants of officers and members who have lost their lives directly or indirectly in or in connexion with the war—

and includes any other fund declared by the Governor in Council to be a patriotic fund but does not include the fund or any part of the fund of the Australian Red Cross Society.

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—(Hon. Sir John Harris.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ but does not include the fund or any part of the fund of the Australian Red Cross Society ” be omitted.

—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett.*)

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

Committee divided—the Hon W. H. Edgar in the Chair:

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. Sir William Angliss,
G. Bolster (*Teller*),
G. L. Chandler,
Sir Frank Clarke,
C. H. A. Eager,
Sir George Goudie,
Sir John Harris,
J. P. Jones,
R. Kilpatrick,
J. H. Lienhop (*Teller*),
A. J. Pittard,
H. Pye,
L. R. Rodda,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 13.

The Hon. J. M. Balfour,
W. J. Beckett,
P. J. Clarey,
C. P. Gartside,
P. P. Inchbold (*Teller*),
Paul Jones,
J. A. Kennedy,
P. J. Kennelly,
Lieut.-Col. G. V. Lansell,
W. MacAulay (*Teller*),
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Olney,
M. Saltau.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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By Authority:

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EXTRACTED FROM THE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

6. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the following questions, viz. :—

- (a) Whether there is any evidence of the truth of the allegations contained in the articles published in the *Truth* newspaper on the 2nd September, 1939, and 9th September, 1939, and headed “*Truth* will talk if Money talks” and “*Truth* ready to take up challenge in Assembly” respectively ;
- (b) Whether the publication of the said articles, or either of them, constitutes a breach of the privileges of this House or is in contempt of Parliament ; and
- (c) Whether there has been any breach of the privileges of this House or a contempt of Parliament by any person or persons who have committed any of the acts referred to in the said articles.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That the Select Committee consist of the Honorables Sir Alan Currie, C. H. A. Eager, Sir George Goudie, Sir John Harris, J. P. Jones, G. S. McArthur, D. L. McNamara, and the Mover ; such Committee to have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time ; four to be the quorum.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

2. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, by leave, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly requesting that leave be given to the Honorable A. A. Dunstan, Premier, and the Honorable E. J. Hogan, Minister of Agriculture, members of that House, to attend before the Select Committee of the Legislative Council on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper) in order to their being examined in regard to the matters referred to the Committee and to produce any papers and documents in their possession relating thereto.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper) be empowered to hear counsel to such extent as they shall think fit on behalf of persons interested in the inquiry.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

TUESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1939.

6. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable C. H. A. Eager moved, by leave, That the Select Committee on Privilege (Articles in *Truth* Newspaper) be empowered in their inquiries to avail themselves to such extent as they shall think fit of the assistance of counsel if the Government makes provision for the same.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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13. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that the Assembly, being of opinion that the purpose for which it is proposed in the Message from the Council to examine the Honorable the Premier and the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture before a Committee of that body contemplates the exercise of a power to interfere with the functions of the Executive not intended by the Constitution to be conferred upon the Council and further that compliance with such request would involve a serious breach of the privileges of the Assembly and its Members, must refuse its consent to the Honorable the Premier and the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture becoming witnesses as requested.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.

TUESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1939.

7. PRIVILEGE—ARTICLES IN *Truth* NEWSPAPER.—The Honorable C. H. A. Eager, Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House to inquire into and report upon the following questions, viz. :—

- (a) Whether there is any evidence of the truth of the allegations contained in the articles published in the *Truth* newspaper on the 2nd September, 1939, and 9th September, 1939, and headed “*Truth* will talk if Money talks” and “*Truth* ready to take up challenge in Assembly” respectively ;
- (b) Whether the publication of the said articles, or either of them, constitutes a breach of the privileges of this House or is in contempt of Parliament ; and
- (c) Whether there has been any breach of the privileges of this House or a contempt of Parliament by any person or persons who have committed any of the acts referred to in the said articles—

together with the Minutes of Proceedings and the Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered to lie on the Table and the Report to be printed.

PROGRESS REPORT

THE SELECT COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL appointed the 14th day of November, 1939, to inquire into and report upon the following questions, viz. :—

- (a) Whether there is any evidence of the truth of the allegations contained in the articles published in the *Truth* newspaper on the 2nd September, 1939, and 9th September, 1939, and headed “*Truth* will talk if money talks” and “*Truth* ready to take up challenge in Assembly” respectively ;
- (b) Whether the publication of the said articles, or either of them, constitutes a breach of the privileges of this House or is in contempt of Parliament ; and
- (c) Whether there has been any breach of the privileges of this House or a contempt of Parliament by any person or persons who have committed any of the acts referred to in the said articles—

have the honour to report to your Honorable House as follows :—

1. Your Committee held their first meeting on the 15th November, 1939, when they decided that all evidence given before them should be heard in public. Your Committee also caused a public statement to be issued inviting any person having knowledge of the matters referred to in the articles in *Truth* newspaper to give evidence before them.

2. Your Committee thereafter met on the 16th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th and 28th days of November, 1939.

3. Your Committee heard in public the evidence of the witnesses whose names are set out in Appendix A. Minutes of the evidence given by such witnesses are appended hereto and a list of the exhibits put in evidence is set out in Appendix B.

4. At the meeting held on the 24th November, 1939, your Committee was informed that a Royal Commission had that day been appointed to inquire into and report upon whether in connexion with the Money Lenders Bill in 1938 or the Milk Board Bill in 1939 and whether before or after the introduction into Parliament thereof—

- (a) any bribe was accepted or agreed to be accepted by any member of Parliament, and, if so, by whom ;
- (b) any bribe was offered to any member of Parliament, and, if so, by whom ;
- (c) any persons entered into any agreement or formed any combination to bribe or to attempt to bribe any member of Parliament, and, if so, what persons.

Pursuant to a resolution of your Committee the Chairman thereupon made the following public statement :—

“ The Committee a few minutes ago was notified that the Government has now appointed a Commission to inquire into certain matters relating to the Money Lenders Bill in 1938 and the Milk Board Bill in 1939. In view of the terms of reference reported to us as being contained in the Commission the Committee will formally adjourn until Monday next, at 2 p.m., but the further examination of witnesses will not be proceeded with on that day.”

5. At the meeting held on the 27th November, 1939, your Committee, pursuant to the power conferred on them by your Honorable House to report the minutes of evidence from time to time, resolved to report the minutes of the evidence given before them to date, and to make a progress report of their proceedings to date. Your Committee also caused the following public statement to be issued :—

“ The Committee announces that persons who have been summoned to attend before the Committee and witnesses who have attended and whose examination has been adjourned will not be called as witnesses until they are notified by the Clerk that the Committee requires their attendance.”

6. Your Committee have not completed the inquiry or the examination of witnesses in relation to the matters referred to them.

Your Committee accordingly submit this Report to your Honorable House as a Progress Report.

APPENDIX "A."

LIST OF WITNESSES.

Frank Vincent McGuinness.
 John Thomas Packer.
 William John Jungwirth.
 Hubert Arthur Mullett.
 John Thomas Thynne.
 Frank Gillies.
 Montague Dauber.
 Charles Ashworth Phayer.
 James Dawson Johnston.
 Patrick John Kennelly.
 Edna Mary Bowden.
 Horace Wesley Walter.
 Robert James Morris.
 John Edward Welsh.
 Robert Stanley Tanner.
 Thomas Jenner.
 William Joseph Quinn.
 Joseph Ernest Carlisle.
 Samuel George Grimes.
 John Murray McKay.
 Louis Charles Parry.

APPENDIX "B."

LIST OF EXHIBITS.

- A. Letter from Editor of *Truth* to Chairman of Committee dated 15th November, 1939.
 B. Report marked "Confidential. For Minister only" by Chairman of Milk Board dated 4th September, 1939.
 C. Report dated 5th August, 1939, by Milk Board Inspector Walter.
 D. Further report by Inspector Walter dated 24th October, 1939.
 E. Statement signed by Frank Gillies dated 28th August, 1939.
 F. List of persons referred to in Exhibit "B."
 G. Premier's Department file.
 H. Department of Agriculture file.
 I. Copy of statutory declaration by J. E. Welsh.
 J. Page 11 of *Truth* of 2nd September, 1939.
 K. Page 19 of *Truth* of 9th September, 1939.
 L. Memorandum and Articles of Association of Melbourne and Metropolitan Milk Distributors' Association.
 M. Receipt Book of the Association.
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 N. Copy of circular letter sent by Association to Members of Parliament.
 O. Copy of Minutes of the proceedings of the Legislative Council of 21st November, 1939.
 P. Copy letter dated 24th August, 1939, to President of Association from H. P. Ogilvie and Co.
 Q. Association's Cash Book.
 R. Three Interim Receipt Books.
 S. Two books of cheque butts and one cheque book.
 T. Association's Bank pass book.
 U. Association's Bank pay-in book.
 V. Association's Minute book.
 W. Constitution and Rules of Australian Labour Party.
 X. Copy of circular letter dated 26th May, 1939, sent by Secretary to the Association to retail dairymen other than members of the Association.
 Y. Copy of circular letter dated 28th June, 1939, sent by Secretary to the Association to all members.
 Z. Pamphlet and *pro forma* letter (undated) to be sent by Association to Members of Parliament.
 A1. Statement of Accounts of the Association for the month of September, 1939.
 B1. Statement of commission paid to organizers.
 C1. Jenner's Interim Receipt Book.
 D1. Packman's Interim Receipt Book.
 F1. Two black covered note books showing commission paid to Packman and Carter.





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