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CHEMISTS' APPRENTICES (WAR SERVICE): Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Chemists' Apprentices on War Service*"—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 22 Aug., 1916, p. 56; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 27 Sept., p. 90. (*Assented to 2 October, 1916. Act No. 2825.*)

COLAC MARKET LAND: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of the remaining portion of certain Crown land at Colac permanently reserved from sale as a site for a market—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Sept., p. 72; the Council's agreement notified, 3 Oct., p. 95. (*Assented to 9 October, 1916. Act No. 2826.*)

COMMISSION AGENTS: Bill to provide for the licensing of commission agents and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and committed, 20 Sept., p. 82.

FEEs.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be charged under the Bill; matter considered; *Mr. Deputy-Speaker* resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the fees chargeable under the Bill reported and agreed to, 20 Sept., p. 82.

Bill considered in Committee, 20 Sept., p. 82; order for further consideration in Committee discharged and Bill withdrawn, 21 Dec., p. 210.

COMPULSORY VACCINATION ABOLITION: Bill to abolish compulsory vaccination in Victoria—(*Mr. J. W. Billson* for *Mr. Outtrim*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 41; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 9 Nov., p. 125; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 30 Nov., p. 153.—Bill lapsed.

COMPULSORY VOTING (ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS): Bill to provide for compulsory voting at elections for the Legislative Assembly—(*Mr. Cotter*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 41.—Bill lapsed.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 1): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and eighty thousand three hundred and seventy-three pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 July, 1916, p. 11; the Council's agreement notified, 12 July, p. 13. (*Assented to 13 July, 1916. Act No. 2820.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 2): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Aug., 1916, p. 45; the Council's agreement notified, 15 Aug., p. 50. (*Assented to 21 August, 1916. Act No. 2821.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 3): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Oct., 1916, p. 105; the Council's agreement notified, 11 Oct., p. 109. (*Assented to 12 October, 1916. Act No. 2834.*)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE (BILL No. 4): Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy-two thousand and sixty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and passed without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 Dec., 1916, p. 161; the Council's agreement notified, 6 Dec., p. 165. (*Assented to 11 December, 1916. Act No. 2853.*)

CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill to amend Part IX. of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*—(*Sir Alexander Peacock* for *Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 12 Oct., 1916, p. 111; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of

the Legislative Council desired, 1 Nov., p. 118; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 202. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2866.*)

COUNTRY ROADS: Bill to amend the *Country Roads Act 1915*—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 22 Nov., 1916, p. 141; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 187; the Council's agreement notified, 20 Dec., p. 200. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2862.*)

CRESWICK LAND: Bill to provide for the closing of portions of certain streets in the municipal district of Creswick and for the compulsory resumption on behalf of the King of certain lands in the said district and for vesting the said portions of streets and the said and other lands in The Creswick District Hospital for the purposes of a hospital—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 Aug., 1916, p. 57; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, "That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 4 Oct., p. 99; the Council's agreement notified, 31 Oct., p. 115. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2837.*)

DAYLIGHT SAVING: Bill to promote the earlier use of daylight in certain months yearly and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson* for *Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 Sept., p. 90; the Council's agreement notified, 31 Oct., p. 115. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2838.*)

DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS ACCOUNT TRANSFER: Bill to provide for the transfer of a sum of not more than Forty-five thousand pounds from "The Developmental Railways Account" to the Consolidated Revenue—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 27) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 20 Dec., 1916, p. 199; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 205; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 214. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2878.*)

DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT: Bill to make provision for the settlement of discharged soldiers on the land and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Sept., p. 80; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 11) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing

Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 26 Sept., p. 85; debate on second reading resumed and adjourned, 5 Oct., p. 101; 11 Oct., p. 108; 21 Dec., p. 209.—Bill lapsed.

EDUCATION: Bill to further amend the *Education Act 1915*—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 Aug., p. 50; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 16 Aug., p. 52; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Aug., p. 55; report from the Clerk of corrections made by him in the Bill, 24 Aug., p. 59; the Council's agreement to the Bill notified, 30 Aug., p. 63. (*Assented to 4 September, 1916. Act No. 2822.*)

EVIDENCE: Bill to amend the law of evidence—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 5 July, 1916, p. 4; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 6 Sept., p. 69; the Council's agreement notified, 3 Oct., p. 95. (*Assented to 9 October, 1916. Act No. 2828.*)

EXECUTION OF TRUSTS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill intitled "*An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the 'Execution of Trusts Act 1915'*"—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 12 Sept., 1916, p. 73; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 27 Sept., p. 89. (*Assented to 2 October, 1916. Act No. 2824.*)

FOOTWEAR REGULATION: Bill to regulate the manufacture and sale of footwear and for other purposes—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 Sept., pp. 89-90; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 15 Nov., p. 134; amendments considered—some agreed to, others disagreed with, one agreed to with amendments, and amendment to omit clause 6 disagreed with but the said clause amended, 18 Dec., pp. 186-7; the Council do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 6 and agree to the amendment of the Assembly in the said clause, and agree to the amendments of the Assembly in new clause A, 21 Dec., p. 208. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2869.*)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES: Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 5) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 Aug., 1916, p. 51; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired,

1 Nov., p. 118; the Council's agreement notified, 7 Dec., p. 168. (*Assented to 11 December, 1916. Act No. 2854.*)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (BILL No. 2): Bill to make provision with respect to contributions under the Friendly Societies Acts by persons on war service and for other purposes—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 185; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 207; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 214. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2883.*)

FUNGICIDES: Bill intitled "*An Act to regulate the Sale of Fungicides, Insecticides, Vermin Destroyers, and Weed Destroyers, and for other purposes*"—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 29 Aug., 1916, p. 61; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 31 Oct., p. 115; Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill received from the Council with a Message notifying their agreement to the amendment, and requesting concurrence, 21 Nov., p. 139; amendment considered and agreed to, 22 Nov., p. 142. (*Assented to 27 November, 1916. Act No. 2850.*)

GAOLS: Bill to amend the *Gaols Act 1915*—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 1 Nov., 1916, p. 117; read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 2 Nov., p. 122; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 10 Nov., p. 128; the Council's agreement notified, 28 Nov., p. 147. (*Assented to 4 December, 1916. Act No. 2851.*)

GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE: Bill to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 Aug., 1916, p. 57; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 14 Sept., p. 78; read the third time, and concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Sept., p. 79; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Nov., p. 118. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2841.*)

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY'S POWERS: Bill to provide for the exercise by deputy of certain powers and authorities vested in the Governor—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 13 Dec., 1916, p. 173; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 190; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 209.—Bill reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, 28 December, 1916.

HEATHERTON SANATORIUM: Bill relating to the Heatherton Sanatorium—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 12 Sept., p. 74; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Nov., p. 140. (*Assented to 27 November, 1916. Act No. 2848.*)

INCOME TAX: Bill to impose additional duties of income tax for each of the three years ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and nineteen and to amend the Income Tax Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 15 Dec., 1916, p. 178; read a second time, on division, and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20-21 Dec., p. 202.—Bill not returned from the Council.

INDUSTRIAL PEACE PRESERVATION: Bill to promote the preservation of industrial peace—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 12 Oct., 1916, p. 111; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 21 Dec., p. 210.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL: Bill to amend the *Infectious Diseases Hospital Act 1914*—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 30 Aug., 1916, p. 63; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 Sept., p. 90; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 19 Dec., p. 195; amendments considered and agreed to, 20 Dec., p. 199. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2860.*)

INSTRUMENTS: Bill to amend Part VI. of the *Instruments Act 1915*—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 6 Sept., p. 70; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 27 Sept., p. 91; the Council's agreement notified, 19 Dec., p. 195. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2857.*)

INTESTATE ESTATES DISTRIBUTION: Bill to amend the law relating to the distribution of the estates of persons dying intestate—(*Mr. Blackburn*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 41; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 7 Sept., p. 71; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 9 Nov., p. 125; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 12 Dec., p. 171; amendment in clause 2 disagreed with by Assembly, but amendments made in the said clause, 18 Dec., p. 190; the Council do not insist on their amendment in clause 2 and agree to the Assembly's amendment in the said clause with amendments; the Assembly agree to the amendments of the Council on the amendments of the Assembly in clause 2, 20 Dec., p. 201. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2863.*)

INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION): Bill to amend and continue the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 7 Sept., 1916, p. 72; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 12 Sept., p. 73; debate resumed—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed; considered in Committee, 13-14 Sept., p. 75; fur-

ther considered in Committee and reported without amendment; motion, That this Bill be now recommitted in respect of a new clause—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill recommitted with an instruction to the Committee that they have power to provide for prohibiting the registration of clubs not now registered; further considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Sept., p. 77; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 27 Sept., p. 89; amendment considered and disagreed with, 3 Oct., pp. 93-4; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 3 Oct., p. 95. (*Assented to 9 October, 1916. Act No. 2827.*)

LANCEFIELD AND KILMORE RAILWAY: Bill to empower the Victorian Railways Commissioners to disassemble the Lancefield and Kilmore railway and to sell or otherwise dispose of the said railway and any land or property vested in them for the purposes thereof—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 14 Dec., 1916, p. 175; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 200; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amended Title notified; amendments agreed to, 22 Dec., p. 214. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2881.*)

LAND TAX: Bill to declare the rate of land tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and to amend the Land Tax Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated on resolution from Committee of Ways and Means and read a first time, 15 Dec., 1916, p. 178; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 18 Dec., p. 133; the Council's agreement notified, 20 Dec., p. 202. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2865.*)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ABOLITION: Bill to abolish the Legislative Council of the State of Victoria—(*Mr. Hannah*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 40.—Bill lapsed.

LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT: Bill to amend the Licensing Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 12 Oct., 1916, p. 111; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 18) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees, fines, penalties, forfeitures, and imposts for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 8 Nov., p. 124; debate resumed and adjourned, 14 Nov., p. 131; debate continued—Bill read a second time, on division, and committed, 15 Nov., p. 133.

LICENCE-FEES.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be paid under the Licensing Acts for the licences mentioned in section seven of the *Licensing Act 1915*;

matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the fees chargeable reported and agreed to, 15 Nov., p. 134.

Bill considered in Committee, 15 Nov., p. 134; further considered in Committee, 16 Nov., p. 137; 21 Nov., p. 139; 22 Nov., p. 142; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 23 Nov., p. 143.

BREWER'S LICENCE-FEE.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the fee to be paid under the Licensing Acts for a brewer's licence; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the fee chargeable reported and agreed to, 28 Nov., p. 146.

Report considered—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; further consideration of amendments postponed, 28 Nov., pp. 146-7; amendments after third reading further considered and further amendments made, 29 Nov., pp. 150-52; 30 Nov., pp. 154-7; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 30 Nov., pp. 154-7; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 14 Dec., p. 176; amendments considered and agreed to, 15 Dec., p. 179. (*Assented to 18 December, 1916. Act No. 2855.*)

LIQUOR REFERENDUM: Bill to provide for a general poll of electors for the Legislative Assembly as to the latest hour at night for the sale of liquor on licensed premises—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 2) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill, 11 July, 1916, p. 9; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., p. 41; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 23 Aug., p. 57; petition presented from certain associations, manufacturers, and trade unions, praying that they be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House in opposition to the Bill; motion, by leave, That the Petitioners be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House—debated and withdrawn, 24 Aug., p. 59; debate on second reading resumed and adjourned, 24 Aug., p. 60; 29 Aug., p. 62; 30 Aug., p. 63; order for resumption of debate on second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 3 Oct., p. 95.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Bill to amend the Local Government Acts—(*Mr. McGregor*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 41; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—question, on division, negatived, 30 Nov., p. 153.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT: Bill intitled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1915'*"—(*Mr. Snowball*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 21 Dec., 1916, p. 210; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 22 Dec., p. 215.—Bill lapsed.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (BILL NO. 2): Bill to extend the powers of municipalities with respect to hawkers and itinerant traders and the regulation of the sale of fish—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Nov., 1916,

p. 126; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 10 Nov., p. 128; read the third time with amendments, including an amended Title; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., pp. 191-2.—Bill not returned from the Council.

LUNACY: Bill to amend the *Lunacy Act 1915* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Oct., 1916, p. 94; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 4 Oct., p. 99; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Oct., p. 109; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 215. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2886.*)

MASTER-IN-EQUITY'S SALARY: Bill to amend Schedule D to *The Constitution Act* and to make provision with respect to the salary of any future Master-in-Equity—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 13 Dec., 1916, p. 173; read a second time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; read a third time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 193; the Council's agreement notified, 19 Dec., p. 195.—Bill reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, 28 December, 1916.

MEDICAL: Bill to amend the law relating to medical practitioners—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 1 Nov., 1916, p. 117; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 2 Nov., p. 122; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified; amendments agreed to, 21 Dec., p. 208. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2870.*)

MELBOURNE AND GEELONG IMPROVEMENTS: Bill intitled "*An Act to empower the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong to reclaim and improve insanitary low-lying or overcrowded areas*"—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 19 Sept., 1916, p. 80; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 18 Dec., p. 189; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 20 Dec., p. 199. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2859.*)

MELBOURNE BUILDING BY-LAWS: Bill intitled "*An Act relating to Building By-laws of the City of Melbourne*"—(*Mr. McCutcheon*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 29 Aug., 1916, p. 61; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 31 Oct., p. 115; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative

Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 1 Nov., p. 117; the Council's agreement to the amendments notified, 21 Nov., p. 140. (*Assented to 27 November, 1916. Act No. 2847.*)

MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET LANDS: Bill to make further and better provision for the Melbourne General Market and to extend the area thereof and to provide for the closing of portions of certain streets in the City of Melbourne and for re-vesting in the Crown certain lands in the said City and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 5 Dec., 1916, p. 164; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 19 Dec., p. 193.—Bill lapsed.

MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS: Bill to increase the borrowing powers of the Hawthorn Tramways Trust—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 Aug., 1916, p. 57; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 7 Sept., p. 72; further considered in Committee and reported without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 26 Sept., p. 87; the Council's agreement notified, 31 Oct., p. 115. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2836.*)

MEMBERS' QUALIFICATION (AMENDMENT): Bill relating to the qualification of Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 4 Oct., 1916, p. 97; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 11 Oct., p. 107; the Council's agreement notified, 11 Oct., p. 108. (*Assented to 12 October, 1916. Act No. 2833.*)

METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S ACT AMENDMENT: Bill to amend *The Metropolitan Gas Company's Act 1878* and for other purposes—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 5 Dec., 1916, p. 163; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 21 Dec., p. 210.

MIDWIVES: Bill to amend the *Midwives Act 1915*—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 3 Oct., 1916, p. 94; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 4 Oct., p. 99; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 215. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2887.*)

MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS: Bill relating to certain agricultural school or college lands situate at Mildura and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 7) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution reported and agreed to, 16 Aug., p. 52; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Oct., p. 94; the Council's

agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified; amendment agreed to, 1 Nov., p. 118. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2842.*)

MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT: Bill relating to municipal endowment—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 25) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 189; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 193; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 205. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2872.*)

MUNICIPAL RATES RECOVERY: Bill to make further provision for the recovery by municipalities of rates and other moneys—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 5 Aug., 1916, p. 39; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 26 Sept., p. 87; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 27 Sept., p. 90; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Oct., p. 94; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 19 Dec., p. 193; amendments considered and agreed to, 20 Dec., pp. 199-200. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2861.*)

NORTH GEELONG TO FYANSFORD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION: Bill to authorize the construction by the State of a line of railway from North Geelong to Fyansford—(*Mr. Hutchinson* for *Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1916, p. 191; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 206; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 214. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2879.*)

NURSES REGISTRATION: Bill to regulate the qualifications of trained nurses and to provide for their registration and for other purposes—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 6 Sept., p. 70.

POOR PRISONERS DEFENCE: Bill to provide for the defence of accused persons who are without adequate means—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 6 Sept., p. 70; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Oct., p. 106. (*Assented to 12 October, 1916. Act No. 2831.*)

PORT MELBOURNE LOAN: Bill to enable the Council of the Town of Port Melbourne to apply certain surplus moneys in hand from the Number 5 Loan so as to increase the amount proposed to be applied for a certain permanent work from the said loan—(*Sir Alexander Peacock* for *Mr. McCutcheon*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; order for second

reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Sept., p. 78; the Council's agreement notified, 10 Oct., p. 106. (*Assented to 12 October, 1916. Act No. 2832.*)

PRESENTMENTS: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Presentments in Criminal Cases, and matters preliminary, incidental, or similar thereto*"—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 10 Oct., 1916, p. 105; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 2 Nov., p. 121; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with a further amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council with the Assembly's amendments desired, 10 Nov., p. 128; the Council agree to some of the amendments made by the Assembly, and disagree with the amendment of the Assembly in the Second Schedule but substitute a new rule in lieu thereof, 21 Nov., p. 139; the Assembly do not insist on their amendment, and agree to the new rule substituted by the Council, 18 Dec., p. 187; Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending amendments in the Bill received from the Council with a Message notifying their agreement to the amendments, and requesting concurrence; amendments agreed to, 19 Dec., p. 194. (*Assented to 21 December, 1916. Act No. 2856.*)

RAILWAY LANDS ACQUISITION: Bill to amend the *Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1915*—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 15 Aug., p. 50; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 6 Sept., p. 70; the Council's agreement to the Bill with an amendment notified, 10 Oct., p. 106; amendment considered and disagreed with, 31 Oct., p. 115; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 1 Nov., p. 118. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2844.*)

RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for railways and for other purposes—(*Mr. Lawson for Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Dec., 1916, p. 177; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 207; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 210. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2877.*)

RAILWAYS: Bill to make provision in regard to certain expenditures in connexion with State railways—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 26) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 19 Dec., 1916,

p. 195; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 21 Dec., p. 205; further considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 22 Dec., p. 214; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 215. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2885.*)

REAL PROPERTY: Bill relating to the law of real property and for other purposes—(*Mr. Bayles for Mr. Mackey*).—Initiated and read a first time, 7 Sept., 1916, p. 71.—Bill lapsed.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES: Bill to amend the law relating to the legitimation of children by registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 27 Sept., p. 90; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Oct., p. 94; the Council's agreement notified, 1 Nov., p. 118. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2843.*)

ROSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY ABANDONMENT: Bill to repeal The Rostown Junction Railway Act and The Rostown Junction Railway Amendment Act and for other purposes—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 15 Dec., 1916, p. 177; order for second reading read, whereupon Mr. Speaker said, "In my opinion, this is a Private Bill"; motion, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill—question, on division, resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 207; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 214. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2880.*)

SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION: Bill to provide for the inspection of scaffolding and for other purposes—(*Mr. Elmslie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 40.—Bill lapsed.

SECOND-HAND DEALERS: Bill to regulate the sale and purchase of goods by second-hand dealers—(*Mr. McLeod*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Nov., 1916, p. 126; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 21 Dec., p. 210.

SOUTH MELBOURNE AND PORT MELBOURNE LAND: Bill to revoke the permanent reservation of certain Crown land in the City of South Melbourne and the Town of Port Melbourne—(*Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 6 Sept., p. 70; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 3 Oct., p. 95; the Council's agreement notified, 31 Oct., p. 116. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2840.*)

STAMPS: Bill to amend the Stamps Acts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—House resolves itself into Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties chargeable under the *Stamps Act 1915*; matter considered in Committee;

- Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and report received; resolution specifying the several stamp duties to be paid on certain licences and instruments reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time 19 Dec., 1916, pp. 195-6; read a second time after motion for adjournment of debate, on division, negatived and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 206.—Bill not returned from the Council.
- STATE SAVINGS BANK: Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in stock and other securities issued for war purposes under the authority of any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia—(Sir Alexander Peacock).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 6) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 16 Aug., 1916, pp. 51-2; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 7 Sept., p. 72; the Council's agreement notified, 19 Sept., p. 80. (*Assented to 25 September, 1916. Act No. 2823.*)
- STATE WAR COUNCIL: Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision for a State War Council and for other purposes*"—(Mr. Membrey).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 22 Nov., 1916, p. 142; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 22 Dec., p. 215. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2884.*)
- STATUTE LAW REVISION: Bill for removing anomalies and correcting errors in the Statute Law and for other purposes—(Mr. Lawson).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 185; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 201; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 210. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2875.*)
- STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE: Bill relating to the Parliamentary Joint Statute Law Revision Committee—(Mr. Lawson).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 185; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 201; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 210. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2876.*)
- STREET TRADING: Bill to regulate street trading in certain cases—(Mr. McLeod).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; order for second reading discharged and Bill withdrawn, 21 Dec., p. 210.
- SUPREME COURT: Bill to amend the *Supreme Court Act 1915* with respect to the qualifications of the Master-in-Equity—(Mr. Lawson).—Initiated and read a first time, 13 Dec., 1916, p. 173; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 192, the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 202. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2868.*)
- THORNBURY LAND: Bill to provide for the modification of a certain lease granted in pursuance of the *Thornbury Land Act 1912*—(Mr. H. McKenzie).—Initiated, after debate, and read a first time, 14 Dec., 1916, p. 175; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 21 Dec., p. 207; the Council's agreement notified, 22 Dec., p. 214. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2882.*)
- TRANSFER OF LAND: Bill to amend the *Transfer of Land Act 1915*—(Mr. Lawson).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 39; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 7 Sept., p. 72; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 14 Sept., p. 78; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 10 Oct., p. 106; amendments considered—some agreed to and others disagreed with, 11 Oct., p. 109; the Council insist on their amendment in clause 5 disagreed with by the Assembly, and do not insist on their amendments in clause 19 but have amended paragraph (iv) of the said clause, 31 Oct., p. 115; the Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Council in clause 5, and agree to the amendment of the Council to add certain words to paragraph (iv) of clause 19, 10 Nov., p. 127; the Council do not now insist on their amendment in clause 5 but make a further amendment in the said clause, 21 Nov., p. 139; the Assembly, on division, agree to the amendment of the Council to omit sub-clause (2) of clause 5, 22 Nov., pp. 141-2. (*Assented to 27 November, 1916. Act No. 2849.*)
- UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT: Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Unauthorized Documents Act 1915'*"—(Mr. Lawson).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 22 Aug., 1916, p. 56; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 4 Oct., p. 99. (*Assented to 9 October, 1916. Act No. 2829.*)
- UNIVERSITY: Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the conferring of University Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates, or Licences, in the case of Persons who have become qualified to receive the same but have died on War Service*"—(Mr. Lawson).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 20 Sept., 1916, p. 81; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment, 5 Oct., p. 102. (*Assented to 9 October, 1916. Act No. 2830.*)
- UNLAWFUL COMBINATIONS: Bill for the protection of Intra-State trade or commerce against monopolies and unlawful combinations and for other purposes—(Mr. Toucher for Mr. Mackinnon).—Initiated and read a first time, 9 Aug., 1916, p. 41.—Bill lapsed.
- VENEREAL DISEASES: Bill relating to venereal diseases and to amend Part V. of the *Police Offences Act 1915*—(Mr. McLeod).—Initiated and read a first time, 23 Aug., 1916, p. 57; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 14 Sept., p. 78; debate resumed—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 19 Sept., 80; further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 21 Sept., p. 83; report considered—amendments agreed to and

Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 26 Sept., pp. 86-7; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 7 Dec., p. 168; amendments considered—some agreed to, amendment in line 25 of clause 3 disagreed with, but a consequential amendment made by inserting a new clause in the Bill, and one of the amendments agreed to with an amendment, 15 Dec., pp. 180-81; the Council agree to the amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council in clause 24, agree to the new clause inserted by the Assembly, and do not insist on their amendment in clause 3 but make a consequential amendment in the said clause; the Assembly agree to the consequential amendment made by the Council in clause 3, 19 Dec., pp. 194-5. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2858.*)

VICTORIAN LOAN: Bill to authorize the raising of money for irrigation works and water supply works and flood protection works in country districts—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 24) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 188; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 198; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 209. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2871.*)

WAR CONTRIBUTIONS: Bill to amend the *War Expenditure and Overdrafts Act 1914* and to validate certain investments by municipalities in Commonwealth War Loans—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 8 Dec., 1916, p. 169; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 192; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 202. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2867.*)

WATER: Bill to amend the *Water Act 1915*—(*Mr. H. McKenzie*).—Initiated and read a first time, 13 Sept., 1916, p. 75; motion, That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 3 Oct., p. 94; debate resumed and adjourned, 11 Oct., p. 108; debate continued—Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 2 Nov., p. 122.

DOMESTIC AND STOCK SUPPLY RATE.—(On motion, by leave) House resolved itself into Committee of the whole to consider the rate to be charged for domestic and stock supply under the Bill; matter considered; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended and resolution fixing the rate chargeable under the Bill reported and agreed to, 10 Nov., p. 128.

Bill further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 10 Nov., p. 128; order for consideration of report read and discharged, and Bill recommitted for reconsideration of clause 3; reconsidered in Committee and reported without further amendment; report

received—amendments agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 15 Nov., p. 135; the Council's agreement to the Bill with amendments notified, 28 Nov., p. 147; amendments considered and agreed to, 29 Nov., p. 149. (*Assented to 4 December, 1916. Act No. 2852.*)

WATER SUPPLY LOANS: Bill to authorize the raising of money for water supply purposes and to sanction the issue and application of such money for the said purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Message from His Excellency the Governor (No. 23) recommending an appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill; considered in Committee; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair—Standing Orders suspended, resolution reported and agreed to, and Bill ordered thereupon; Bill initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 188; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 198; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 210. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2873.*)

WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION: Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for irrigation works water supply works drainage and flood protection works in country districts and for other purposes—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*).—Initiated and read a first time, 18 Dec., 1916, p. 189; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 20 Dec., p. 198; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Dec., p. 210. (*Assented to 28 December, 1916. Act No. 2874.*)

WHEAT MARKETING: Bill to extend the operation of and to amend the *Wheat Marketing Act 1915*—(*Mr. Lawson* for *Mr. Hutchinson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 11 Oct., 1916, p. 107; read a second time and passed remaining stages without amendment; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 1 Nov., p. 117; the Council's agreement notified, 21 Nov., p. 140. (*Assented to 27 November, 1916. Act No. 2846.*)

WHITE PHOSPHORUS MATCHES PROHIBITION: Bill intituled "*An Act to prohibit the Manufacture and Sale of Matches made with White Phosphorus and for other purposes in connexion therewith*"—(*Mr. Membrey*).—Brought from the Legislative Council and read a first time, 19 Sept., 1916, p. 79; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 1 Nov., p. 118; further considered in Committee and passed remaining stages without amendment, 2 Nov., p. 121. (*Assented to 6 November, 1916. Act No. 2845.*)

WILLS (SOLDIERS): Bill relating to the disposition of the real estate of persons engaged on war service—(*Mr. Lawson*).—Initiated and read a first time, 6 Dec., 1916, p. 165; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; Standing Orders suspended and report received; amendment agreed to and Bill read the third time with further amendments; concurrence of the Legislative Council desired, 19 Dec., p. 192.—Bill not returned from the Council.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

SESSION 1916.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Under Section 130 of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, No. 2632, the Legislative Assembly consists of Sixty-five Members.

TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT.

THIRD SESSION (5TH JULY, 1916, TO 22ND DECEMBER, 1916).

| Member. | District. | No. of Electors on Rolls. | No. of Electors who Voted. | | | Votes recorded for each Sitting Member. | | Percentage of Electors who Voted. | | |
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| | | | Male. | Female. | Total. | First Preference Votes. | Final Result after Distribution of Votes under Preferential Voting Act 1911. | Male. | Female. | Total. |
| Angus, Henry, Esquire | Gunbower | 8,628 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Bailey, Henry Stephen, Esquire | Port Fairy | 7,875 | 3,132 | 2,476 | 5,608 | 2,874 | .. | 76·05 | 65·90 | 71·21 |
| Baird, Matthew, Esquire | Ballaarat West | 10,706 | 3,153 | 4,106 | 7,259 | 4,390 | .. | 70·50 | 65·86 | 67·80 |
| Barnes, Samuel, Esquire | Walhalla | 6,644 | 1,799 | 1,091 | 2,890 | 1,811 | .. | 47·09 | 38·64 | 43·50 |
| Bayles, Norman, Esquire ¹ | Toorak | 22,159 | 3,827 | 5,533 | 9,360 | 7,047 | .. | 43·32 | 41·52 | 42·24 |
| Billson, The Honorable Alfred Arthur | Ovens | 6,752 | 2,387 | 2,082 | 4,469 | 2,293 | .. | 70·18 | 62·13 | 66·18 |
| Billson, The Honorable John William | Fitzroy | 15,059 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Blackburn, Maurice McCrae, Esquire.. | Essendon | 25,295 | 7,055 | 7,142 | 14,197 | 7,342 | .. | 59·82 | 52·89 | 56·12 |
| Bowser, The Honorable John ² | Wangaratta | 8,518 | 2,519 | 2,175 | 4,694 | 3,269 | .. | 57·29 | 52·77 | 55·10 |
| Cameron, Allan Francois, Esquire | Dalhousie | 7,443 | 2,729 | 2,618 | 5,347 | 2,770 | .. | 72·87 | 70·79 | 71·84 |
| Cameron, The Honorable James | Gippsland East | 6,710 | 2,472 | 1,507 | 3,979 | 1,788 | 2,040 | 61·15 | 56·48 | 59·30 |
| Campbell, Hugh John Munro, Esquire | Glenelg | 9,307 | 3,241 | 2,899 | 6,140 | 3,449 | .. | 67·73 | 64·10 | 65·97 |
| Carlisle, John Joseph, Esquire | Benalla | 8,094 | 2,448 | 1,832 | 4,280 | 2,785 | .. | 57·11 | 48·11 | 52·88 |
| Chatham, John, Esquire | Grenville | 6,287 | 2,236 | 2,110 | 4,346 | 2,496 | .. | 70·42 | 67·80 | 69·12 |
| Clough, Luke James, Esquire ³ | Bendigo East | 9,502 | 2,732 | 2,789 | 5,521 | 2,813 | .. | 62·70 | 54·21 | 58·10 |
| Cotter, Edmund John, Esquire | Richmond | 17,442 | 4,463 | 4,063 | 8,526 | 6,335 | .. | 53·34 | 44·76 | 48·88 |
| Deany, James Davidson, Esquire ⁴ | Warrnambool | 9,459 | 3,070 | 3,090 | 6,160 | 1,190 | 3,574 | 65·26 | 64·99 | 65·12 |
| Downward, The Honorable Alfred | Mornington | 13,697 | 3,723 | 2,418 | 6,141 | 3,735 | .. | 49·92 | 38·75 | 44·83 |
| Elmslie, The Honorable George Alexander | Albert Park | 20,246 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Farrer, James Farish, Esquire | Barwon | 11,324 | 3,438 | 3,000 | 6,438 | 3,711 | .. | 61·93 | 51·96 | 56·85 |
| Farthing, Alfred Alexander, Esquire.. | East Melbourne | 13,323 | 3,321 | 3,620 | 6,941 | 1,910 | 3,729 | 51·14 | 53·00 | 52·09 |
| Gordon, John, Esquire | Waranga | 7,058 | 2,612 | 2,157 | 4,769 | 3,442 | .. | 69·30 | 65·58 | 67·56 |
| Gray, Achilles, Esquire | Korong | 7,202 | 2,311 | 1,918 | 4,229 | 2,611 | .. | 59·33 | 57·99 | 58·72 |
| Gray, The Honorable John | Swan Hill | 13,400 | 3,828 | 2,270 | 6,098 | 3,459 | .. | 46·95 | 43·25 | 45·51 |
| Hannah, The Honorable Martin | Collingwood | 14,561 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Hogan, Edmond John, Esquire | Warrenheip | 6,203 | 2,455 | 2,049 | 4,504 | 2,327 | .. | 73·50 | 71·56 | 72·61 |
| Hutchinson, The Honorable William ⁵ | Borong | 7,765 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Jewell, James Roberts, Esquire | Brunswick | 21,710 | 5,426 | 5,039 | 10,465 | 6,318 | .. | 55·13 | 52·45 | 48·23 |
| Johnstone, John Glass, Esquire | Polwarth | 11,109 | 3,932 | 3,222 | 7,154 | 4,389 | .. | 59·15 | 72·21 | 64·39 |
| Keast, William Stephen, Esquire | Dandenong | 13,903 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Lawson, The Honorable Harry Sutherland Wightman ⁶ | Castlemaine and Maldon | 7,363 | 2,628 | 2,671 | 5,299 | 3,662 | .. | 76·52 | 67·98 | 71·97 |
| Leckie, John William, Esquire | Benambra | 7,190 | 2,586 | 1,847 | 4,433 | 2,183 | .. | 63·24 | 59·56 | 61·65 |
| Lemmon, The Honorable John | Williamstown | 20,336 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Livingston, The Honorable Thomas ⁷ | Gippsland South | 9,978 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Mackey, The Honorable John Emanuel ⁸ | Gippsland West | 8,583 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |

NOTES.

The particulars given in the above table relate to the General Election 1914; the date of each Member's election, when noted as "unopposed," being 16 November, 1914, the "day of nomination," and in other cases 26 November, 1914, the "day of polling." Where the Member's name is printed in *italic* the particulars relate to the elections held subsequent to 1914, and the dates of such elections will be found in the following notes:

- 1 Mr. N. Bayles, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 20 April, 1915.
- 2 The Hon. J. Bowser, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 16 February, 1909.
- 3 Mr. L. J. Clough, elected 4 February, 1915, *vice* Mr. A. J. Hampson, resigned 3 January, 1915.
- 4 Mr. J. D. Deany, elected 1 June, 1916, *vice* the Hon. J. Murray, deceased 4 May, 1916.
- 5 The Hon. W. Hutchinson, Minister of Water Supply, and Minister of Agriculture (without salary) from 22 December, 1913, to 9 November, 1915; President of the Board of Land and Works and Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey from 9 November, 1915.
- 6 The Hon. H. S. W. Lawson, President of the Board of Land and Works and Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey from 22 December, 1913, to 9 November, 1915; Attorney General, Solicitor-General (without salary), and Minister of Public Instruction (without salary) from 9 November, 1915.
- 7 The Hon. T. Livingston, Minister of Public Instruction from 18 June, 1914, to 9 November, 1915; Minister of Mines, and Minister of Forests (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works from 9 November, 1915.
- 8 The Hon. J. E. Mackey, Chairman of Committees from 9 December, 1914.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*continued.*

| Member. | District. | No. of Electors on Rolls. | No. of Electors who Voted. | | | Votes recorded for each Sitting Member. | | Percentage of Electors who Voted. | | |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|---------|--------|---|--|-----------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| | | | Male. | Female. | Total. | First Preference Votes. | Final Result after Distribution of Votes under Preferential Voting Act 1911. | Male. | Female. | Total. |
| Mackinnon, The Honorable Donald .. | Prahran .. | 20,275 | 4,369 | 5,229 | 9,598 | 4,913 | .. | 52·81 | 43·56 | 47·33 |
| Madden, The Honorable Sir Frank ⁹ .. | Boroondara .. | 29,974 | 5,663 | 6,007 | 11,670 | 7,929 | .. | 42·22 | 36·27 | 38·93 |
| McCutcheon, The Honorable Robert George ¹⁰ | St. Kilda .. | 25,295 | 4,170 | 5,243 | 9,413 | 5,975 | .. | 38·70 | 36·10 | 37·21 |
| McGregor, The Honorable Robert ¹¹ .. | Ballaarat East | 10,994 | 3,546 | 4,170 | 7,716 | 4,079 | .. | 72·17 | 68·57 | 70·18 |
| McKenzie, The Honorable Hugh ¹² .. | Rodney .. | 10,656 | 3,982 | 3,298 | 7,280 | 3,575 | .. | 69·99 | 66·39 | 68·31 |
| McKenzie, Malcolm Kenneth, Esquire | Upper Goulburn | 8,233 | 2,711 | 2,023 | 4,734 | 2,746 | .. | 60·51 | 53·90 | 57·60 |
| McLachlan, James Weir, Esquire .. | Gippsland North | 9,404 | 3,099 | 2,541 | 5,640 | 3,622 | .. | 62·91 | 56·74 | 59·97 |
| McLeod, The Honorable Donald ¹³ .. | Daylesford .. | 7,213 | 2,465 | 2,161 | 4,626 | 3,011 | .. | 66·82 | 61·32 | 64·13 |
| McPherson, William Murray, Esquire | Hawthorn .. | 24,076 | 3,831 | 4,466 | 8,297 | 6,187 | .. | 38·54 | 31·59 | 34·46 |
| Membrey, The Honorable James George ¹⁴ | Jika Jika .. | 25,462 | 6,784 | 6,248 | 13,032 | 7,177 | .. | 56·75 | 46·25 | 51·18 |
| Menzies, James, Esquire .. | Lowan .. | 9,335 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Mitchell, John Davidson, Esquire .. | Goulburn Valley | 9,213 | 2,951 | 2,472 | 5,423 | 2,001 | 3,366 | 61·67 | 55·82 | 58·86 |
| Oman, David Swan, Esquire .. | Hampden .. | 12,266 | 4,123 | 3,206 | 7,329 | 4,296 | .. | 62·84 | 56·19 | 59·75 |
| Outtrim, The Honorable Alfred Richard ¹⁵ | Maryborough .. | 7,912 | 2,594 | 2,167 | 4,761 | 2,930 | .. | 66·09 | 55·18 | 60·17 |
| Peacock, The Honorable Sir Alexander James, K.C.M.G. ¹⁶ | Allandale .. | 6,321 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Pennington, John Warburton, Esquire | Kara Kara .. | 7,458 | 2,927 | 2,580 | 5,507 | 3,545 | .. | 74·10 | 73·54 | 73·84 |
| Plain, The Honorable William .. | Geelong .. | 14,058 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Prendergast, The Honorable George Michael | North Melbourne | 17,469 | 4,033 | 3,834 | 7,867 | 5,294 | .. | 48·30 | 42·04 | 45·03 |
| Robertson, The Honorable Andrew Robert | Bulla .. | 10,852 | 3,425 | 2,641 | 6,066 | 3,689 | .. | 59·38 | 51·94 | 55·89 |
| Rogers, Alexander, Esquire .. | Melbourne .. | 10,104 | 2,672 | 1,860 | 4,532 | 2,799 | .. | 43·55 | 46·86 | 44·85 |
| Rouget, James, Esquire .. | Evelyn .. | 10,401 | 3,164 | 2,317 | 5,481 | 1,546 | 3,436 | 57·93 | 46·90 | 52·69 |
| Sinclair, Owen, Esquire ¹⁷ .. | Port Melbourne | 17,731 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Smith, The Honorable David .. | Bendigo West | 10,477 | 3,340 | 3,438 | 6,778 | 2,190 | 3,315 | 70·02 | 60·24 | 64·69 |
| Smith, William Kennedy, Esquire .. | Dundas .. | 8,801 | 3,365 | 2,909 | 6,274 | 2,494 | 3,100 | 74·30 | 68·30 | 71·28 |
| Snowball, Oswald Robinson, Esquire | Brighton .. | 18,074 | 3,565 | 3,975 | 7,540 | 5,348 | .. | 48·79 | 36·91 | 41·17 |
| Solly, Robert Henry, Esquire ¹⁸ .. | Carlton .. | 14,463 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Toutcher, Richard Frederick, Esquire | Stawell and Ararat | 9,131 | 3,123 | 2,631 | 5,754 | 3,124 | .. | 66·17 | 59·63 | 63·01 |
| Tunnecliffe, Thomas, Esquire .. | Eaglehawk .. | 8,029 | 2,906 | 2,500 | 5,406 | 2,783 | .. | 71·05 | 63·46 | 67·33 |
| Warde, Edward Coughlan, Esquire .. | Flemington .. | 20,194 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |
| Webber, Gordon Charles, Esquire .. | Abbotsford .. | 16,269 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Unopposed |

⁹ The Hon. Sir Frank Madden, Speaker from 29 June, 1904.

¹⁰ The Hon. R. G. McCutcheon, appointed a member of the Executive Council 9 November, 1915; also a member of the Government without office, 9 November, 1915, to 6 November, 1916.

¹¹ The Hon. R. McGregor, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 15 December, 1914.

¹² The Hon. H. McKenzie, Minister of Railways, Minister of Water Supply (without salary), and a Vice-President of the Board of Land and Works from 9 November, 1915.

¹³ The Hon. D. McLeod, Chief Secretary, and Minister of Public Health (without salary) from 9 November, 1915.

¹⁴ The Hon. J. G. Membrey, appointed a member of the Executive Council; also a member of the Government without office, 20 July, 1914.

¹⁵ The Hon. A. R. Outtrim, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 20 January, 1914.

¹⁶ The Hon. Sir A. J. Peacock, Treasurer (Premier) from 18 June, 1914; Minister of Labour (without salary) from 22 December, 1913, to 10 August, 1915, and from 9 November, 1915.

¹⁷ Mr. O. Sinclair, elected 28 April, 1915, *vice* Mr. G. Sangster, deceased 8 April, 1915.

¹⁸ Mr. R. H. Solly, one of the Temporary Chairmen of Committees under Standing Order 4A from 7 October, 1913.

OFFICERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

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| <i>The Speaker</i> | The Honorable SIR FRANK MADDEN. |
| <i>The Chairman of Committees</i> | The Honorable JOHN EMANUEL MACKAY. |
| <i>Clerk of the Parliaments and Clerk of the Legislative Assembly</i> | HIBBERT HENRY NEWTON, Esquire, J.P. |
| <i>The Clerk-Assistant</i> | WILLIAM ROBERT ALEXANDER, Esquire. |
| <i>Clerk of the Papers, Clerk of Committees, and Serjeant-at-Arms</i> | JOHN MORGAN WORTHINGTON, Esquire. |

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH JULY, 1916.

- 1. The Legislative Assembly met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the thirteenth day of June, 1916, 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 TWENTY-FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George ; 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 twentieth day of June, 1916 : Now I, the 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 fifth day of July, 1916, and I do hereby fix Wednesday, the fifth day of July, 1916, aforesaid, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Two o'clock in the afternoon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne : And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this thirteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and in the seventh year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK.

GOD SAVE THE KING !

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

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

- 3. ISSUE OF WRIT.—Mr. Speaker announced that, on Tuesday, 16th May last, he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral District of Warrnambool, in the place of the Honorable John Murray, deceased.
- 4. RETURN TO WRIT.—Mr. Speaker also announced that he had received a return to the foregoing Writ, by which it appeared that James Davidson Deany, of Warrnambool, music seller, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
- 5. MEMBER SWORN.—James Davidson Deany, Esq., was then introduced, and took and subscribed the Oath required by law.

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

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of the three hundred and forty-sixth section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable James Cameron,
Hugh John Munro Campbell, Esquire,
The Honorable George Alexander Elmslie,
The Honorable John Emanuel Mackey,
The Honorable Donald Mackinnon,
The Honorable Alfred Richard Outtrim, and
Robert Henry Solly, Esquire,

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

Given under my hand this fifth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

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

VICTORIA.

Legislative Assembly.

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

Norman Bayles, Esquire,
The Honorable John Bowser,
The Honorable Robert McGregor,
The Honorable Alfred Richard Outtrim, and
Robert Henry Solly, Esquire,

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

Given under my hand this fifth day of July, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

8. SERVICES OF THE LATE HONORABLE JOHN MURRAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House desires to express its sincere regret and to place on record its deep sense of loss on the death of the Honorable John Murray, whose strong personality, ability, debating power, sound judgment, and administrative and departmental knowledge had enabled him during his long parliamentary career to render signal service to the people of Victoria as Premier, Minister of the Crown, and Member, and whose urbanity and kindness of heart had personally endeared him to all.

And Mr. Speaker and other Honorable Members having addressed the House in support of the motion—

Honorable Members rising in their places, the motion was put, and carried in silence.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Clerk do enter on the Journals of the House that the foregoing resolution was carried unanimously.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Charitable Institutions.—Report of the Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1915.
Public Departments Inquiry Commission.—Progress Report of the Royal Commission to inquire into the Working of the Public Departments.
Public Service Commissioner.—Report for the year 1915.

Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria—

For the year 1914—

Part IX.—Production.

Part X.—Interchange.

For the year 1915—

Part I.—Blue Book.

Returns were presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth and purchased for the use of the following Departments during the period—

From 1st July, 1914, to 30th June, 1915 :—

By Mr. H. McKenzie—

From the Railway Department.

From 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916 :—

By Sir Alexander Peacock—

From the Department of Labour.

By Mr. Lawson—

From the Law Department.

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 :—

Companies Act 1910—Rule 196.—Return by Prothonotary of Business of Court.

Education Act 1915—

Regulation added.—Regulation XLIV.—Art Teacher's Certificate.—Order in Council.

Regulation added to.—Regulation XIIIa.—Teacher's College Courses.—Order in Council.

Electric Light and Power Act 1915.—Report respecting Applications and Proceedings under, during the year 1915.

Explosives Act 1915—

Addition to Order in Council No. 1 of the 12th day of October, 1909, relating to the Classification of Explosives—Class 3, Nitro-Compound, Division 1.—Order in Council.

Addition to Order in Council No. 6 of the 12th day of October, 1909.—Class 3, Nitro-Compound, Division 1.—Order in Council.

Fire Brigades Act 1915—

Country Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the Year ended 31st December, 1915; together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Report for the Year ended 31st December, 1915; together with Statement of Receipts and Expenditure, and Assets and Liabilities, for that period.

Health Acts.—Regulations and Standards for Food and Drugs.

Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Inter-State Destitute Persons Relief Act 1915*.—Order in Council.

Justices Act 1915.—Rules under the *Justices Act 1915*.—Order in Council.

Licensing Act 1915.—Additional Rule.—Schedule—Licensing Court Fees.—Order in Council.

Lifts Regulation Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Lifts Regulation Act 1915*.—Order in Council.

Marine Act 1915.—Marine Board of Victoria.—Regulations.—Temporary Certificate as Second Mate.

Marriage Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Marriage Act 1915*.

Midwives Act 1915.—Regulations for the Registration and Better Training of Midwives.

Mines Act 1915—

Regulations under the *Mines Act 1915*.—Fees in Courts of Mines and in Proceedings before Wardens of the Goldfields, &c.—Order in Council.

List of Suspensions granted of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences during the year 1915.

Money Lenders Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Money Lenders Act 1915*.—Order in Council.

Neglected Children's Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Neglected Children's Act 1915*.—Order in Council.

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Rules and Regulations.

Public Service Acts—

Regulations.—Insurance of Officers, Chapter VII.—

Amendment of Clause 8.

Amendments of Clauses 2 and 7.

Regulations.—Stores and Transport, Chapter XV.—Amendments of Clauses 4, 27, and 61.

Regulations.—Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—

Department of Mines (2 papers).

Department of Lands and Survey.

Regulations.—Appointment to the Professional Division, Chapter II.—Addendum, Clause 3.

Regulations.—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—

Department of State Forests.

General.

Department of Chief Secretary.

Department of Treasurer.

Department of Agriculture (2 papers).

Regulations.—Appointment or Transfer to the Clerical Division, Chapter III.—Amendment of Clauses 5, 16, and 17, and addition of Clause 15A.

Regulations.—Temporary Employment, Chapter VIII.—Addendum, Clause 11.

Regulations.—Appointment to the General Division, Chapter V.—Amendments of Clauses 1 and 15.

Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Public Service Act 1915* and *Lunacy Act 1915*.—Lunacy Department.

Railways Standing Committee.—Twenty-sixth General Report.
 Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Act 1915*.
 Stamps Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Stamps Act 1915*.—Order in Council.
 Supreme Court Act 1915—
 Supreme Court Office Fees Regulations 1916.—Order in Council.
 Rules under the Companies Act 1915.—New Rule.
 University Act 1890.—Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne from 31st July, 1914, to 31st July, 1915; together with four Appendices.
 Victorian Railways.—Reports of the Victorian Railways Commissioners—
 For the quarter ending 30th September, 1915.
 For the quarter ending 31st December, 1915.
 For the quarter ending 31st March, 1916.
 Workers' Compensation Act 1914.—State Accident Insurance Office.—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for period ending 30th June, 1915.

10. EVIDENCE BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
11. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

1916.

VICTORIA.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE, 1916-17.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of Expenditure for the months of July, August, and September in the year 1916-17, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 4th July, 1916.

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

12. COMMITTEES OF SUPPLY AND WAYS AND MEANS.—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to allow the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means to be appointed forthwith.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. SUPPLY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. WAYS AND MEANS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended His Excellency the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Parliament, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have summoned you for the consideration of important public business.

I regret that the end of the great war is not yet in sight, but the British Empire and our gallant Allies are more than ever determined to fight on until victory is achieved.

The buoyancy of the Consolidated Revenue is indicative of the general prosperity of the State, but owing to the extraordinary conditions arising from the war and the drought, which seriously affected the finances during the first portion of the year, I regret to announce that, as forecasted by My Advisers in the Budget statement, the Expenditure will be in excess of the Revenue. Provision has been made for meeting the deficiency by the issue of Treasury Bonds under authority already granted by Parliament.

Owing to the restrictions of the money market, and the necessity for economy, the Government considered it wise to reduce the expenditure of borrowed moneys on railways and public works generally, consequently this expenditure will be considerably less than the amounts approved by Parliament.

Successful arrangements were made for the redemption of the loan of one and a quarter millions, which matured on the 1st April last.

A satisfactory agreement has been made with the Commonwealth by which that Government will arrange for such loan moneys as this State may require in London up to the 31st December next.

The prospects of the State in an agricultural direction are wonderfully changed for the better since this time last year, when the consequences of the drought were still being felt. In the meantime a bounteous season has been passed through, and the wheat harvest in particular gives cause for great satisfaction.

The Government made a strong appeal to wheat growers to crop a large area last season, and advances were made to the extent of £452,000. As a consequence 4,000,000 acres were placed under crop; constituting a record area for Victoria. The magnificent response of farmers to the appeal of the Government resulted in the total wheat yield being almost double that of any previous year.

Of the amount advanced £78,308 has been repaid. In order to give the fullest possible assistance to the producers the Government decided, where securities would permit, to extend the time for payment of the first instalment.

To enable our wheat growers to reap an adequate return from their crops, the Governments of this and the other wheat-growing States combined with the Federal Government in a scheme for marketing the Australian harvest for 1915-16. This scheme has prevented that ruinous competition to sell which would have resulted so disastrously to the farming community and to the State. The beneficial effects of the scheme are already evident, and it is confidently expected that when final returns are available growers will be satisfied with the result, especially when the enormous increases in ocean freights and the shortage of tonnage are fully realized.

No less than 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ millions sterling has already been made available for farmers through the operation of the Victorian pool, and when the additional sixpence per bushel is paid next month upwards of 10 millions sterling will have been distributed. When it is remembered that about 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ millions sterling is the average total value of the Victorian crop for the last ten years, and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ millions the highest amount ever realized for that crop, the returns this year through the pool operations can be the better appreciated.

My Government realizes how greatly the prosperity of the State depends upon its agriculture and how much a progressive policy in agriculture can effect. In the Wheat Marketing Scheme, as well as in other directions, every effort has been made to extend agricultural production. This policy will be vigorously continued.

The recommendations of the Royal Commission on Fruit have received the serious attention of the Government. Legislation dealing with matters referred to in the Report will be introduced this session.

Efficient Agricultural Education is regarded by the Government as of so much importance to the State that Parliament will be asked to pass legislation to deal with the question.

It is pleasing to be able to announce that, in spite of existing financial conditions and the gratifying enlistment of teachers for war service, the educational activities of the State have not been curtailed. My Ministers fully realize the imperative necessity for steady and persistent educational development. Particular attention is being paid to technical training, and Parliament will be invited to provide further additional funds for buildings and for the equipment and maintenance of technical schools. New junior and senior schools will be established in suitable metropolitan and country districts, and developments will proceed in accordance with a well-considered scheme. Arrangements will be made by My Advisers to increase the travelling facilities now given for the purpose of enabling students to attend centrally-situated high schools and technical schools.

The gold production of the State has unfortunately further declined. Apart from natural contributory causes, such as exhaustion of well-known mines, the industry during the last two years has had to face heavy additional charges for labour and materials as well as its share of industrial unrest. Some mine owners, it is pleasing to record, are making a strenuous attempt to neutralize the effect of these conditions by improvement of plant and co-ordination of effort. I am hopeful that this tendency, together with a gradual reversion to normal conditions, will result in another such revival in gold-mining as has more than once been witnessed in this State.

The ever-increasing demand for power and other purposes emphasizes the high importance of developing our known reserves of coal. To this end it has been decided to actively resume the exploration of our largely untested coal-bearing strata by surveys, surface prospecting, and by boring.

For several years past large areas of known black coal-bearing lands, aggregating 4,000 acres, have been withheld from lease. It has now been decided to make these available for private enterprise.

Parliament will be asked to provide an increased amount for forest development to be expended in the maintenance of the Forests, Plantations and Nurseries Service throughout the State, for the systematic improvement of young natural forests, and for the enclosure and laying down of new plantations of hardwood and pine.

The work of electrifying the Suburban Railway System has been retarded by the war, and it is not therefore practicable to determine with any degree of certainty when the conversion of the first line, viz., between Sandringham and Essendon, from steam to electric traction will be accomplished.

The expert appointed to advise the Government in regard to the system of handling grain in bulk has made certain recommendations which are concurred in by the Railways Commissioners. It is the intention of the Government to invite Parliament at the earliest opportunity to sanction a scheme.

The Government is gratified in having induced the Governments of the wheat-growing States to adopt, as far as possible, uniform systems, which it is believed will result in increased efficiency and greater economy in marketing the Australian wheat harvests.

The Acts required to ratify the Murray Waters Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia have been passed by the Parliaments of the Commonwealth and the States concerned. Representatives have been nominated as members of "The River Murray Commission," and the formal appointment of the Commission will be made at an early date. Meanwhile surveys and borings are in progress to ascertain the most suitable site for storage on the Upper Murray as provided in the Agreement.

Good progress has been made with the construction of the important storages at Sugarloaf, Taylor's Lake, and Fyan's Lake; works for the enlargement of Waranga Basin and the Upper Coliban Reservoir are well advanced; whilst the Melton Reservoir works for the supply of Werribee Irrigation District are practically complete. The works referred to will, when completed, provide for the storage of an additional 516,000 acre-feet of water, thus doubling existing storage capacities.

Arrangements are also being made to supplement the supply to Pyke's Creek Reservoir by the construction of a tunnel to divert water thereto from the Werribee River. This will ensure a satisfactory supply to Bacchus Marsh Irrigation District.

The Wimmera-Mallee Main Channels have been completed, and now permit of the various distributary systems therefrom being further developed to better supply the area of some 8,000 square miles of country commanded.

A number of minor but important works have been carried out in the various districts for the better distribution and supply of water for both domestic and stock and irrigation purposes.

Assistance this year has been rendered by the Water Commission to lessees in connexion with the marketing of their lucerne.

The administration of the Sewerage Districts Act, which provides for the sewerage of country centres, has been placed under the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission. Already an application has been received from Bendigo for the constitution of that centre as a sewerage district.

During the recess a Conference of Federal and State Ministers was held at Adelaide, at which Victoria was represented. Amongst other important matters the question of the settlement on the land and employment of our returned soldiers was exhaustively discussed, and measures are being taken to deal with this matter.

The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into and report as to the working of the Public Departments is still prosecuting its inquiries, and will shortly submit a Progress Report.

My Advisers are informed that the very onerous labours of the Closer Settlement Commission are nearing completion. As soon as their Final Report has been received the Government will give this important matter their prompt attention.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates of Expenditure which will be laid before you provide adequately for the requirements of the State.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

It is the intention of My Advisers to submit at the earliest opportunity for your consideration a Bill authorizing a Referendum as to the closing hour for the sale of liquor.

It is also proposed to introduce a measure dealing with strikes and lockouts.

A Bill to make provision for the future development, management, and working of the tramway undertakings of the metropolitan area will be brought forward.

Measures will be introduced to render more effective the administration of the law as to the public health and to amend the Acts relating thereto.

The subject of venereal diseases will also be dealt with.

Proposals will be submitted for legislation for the control and regulation of hospitals and charities.

Legislation to simplify legal procedure, involving amendments of the law relating to the Supreme Court, the County Courts, and the Courts of Petty Sessions will be introduced; also a Bill to amend the law with relation to presentments in criminal proceedings.

You will be asked to consider legislation dealing with the subject of Port Phillip Harbor authorities.

In pursuance of resolutions of the recent Premiers' Conference, and with a view to uniform legislation in the several States, Bills will be introduced for electoral co-operation with the Commonwealth; for the regulation of the manufacture and sale of footwear; and for the hall-marking of jewellery.

Bills dealing with the following subjects will also be brought forward :—

- Control of Patriotic Funds.
- Metropolitan Gas Company.
- Local Government.
- Daylight Saving.
- Legitimation.
- Weights and Measures.
- Public Contracts.
- Commission Agents.
- Nurses' Registration.

I now leave you to the discharge of those high duties with which you are intrusted, and fervently pray that the blessing of Divine Providence may attend your deliberations.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

5th July, 1916.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

17. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

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

Ways and Means—To be considered in Committee.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 11TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 2.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a general poll of Electors for the Legislative Assembly as to the latest hour at night for the sale of liquor on licensed premises.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 5th July, 1916.

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

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

Factories and Shops.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1915.

Fisheries Act 1915—

Notice of Intention *re* Boats and Nets on the North Arm at Lakes Entrance.

Notice of Intention *re* Netting in the South-west Passage at Port Fairy.

Notice of Intention *re* Marketing of Oysters.

Notice of Intention to prohibit Oyster Dredging in portion of Western Port Bay.

Notice of Intention *re* Second Schedule, *Fisheries Act* 1915.

Medical Act 1915—Dental Board of Victoria.—Part II.—Dentists.—Regulations relating to Elections.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

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

5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bayles having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day. Mr. Bayles also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. SUPPLY.—Mr. Bayles reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £2,508,373 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1916-17, viz. :—

| Division No. | £ |
|--|---------|
| 1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 313 |
| 2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,531 |
| 3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 216 |
| 4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 725 |
| 5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 215 |
| 6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 302 |
| 7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 1,136 |
| 8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,085 |
| 9. " " Pensions, &c. | 5,607 |
| 10. " " Grants | 1,400 |
| 11. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expendi- ture | 1,153 |
| 12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,174 |
| 13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 530 |
| 14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 994 |
| 15. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 343 |
| 16. The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure | 90 |
| 17. Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 296 |
| 18. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 815 |
| 19. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,117 |
| 20. Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 177 |
| 21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 721 |
| 22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,125 |
| 23. Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,415 |
| 24. Agent-General—Staff and Office | 1,000 |
| 25. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,746 |
| 26. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,811 |
| 27. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 56,860 |
| 28. Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 41,683 |
| 29. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 15,048 |
| 30. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 94,600 |
| 31. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 6,328 |
| 32. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 892 |
| 33. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 6,436 |
| 34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 257,000 |
| 35. " Pensions, &c. | 200 |
| 36. " Works and Buildings | 3,000 |
| 37. " Endowments and Grants | 13,400 |
| 39. Law Department—Salaries | 1,607 |
| 40. Crown Solicitor—Salaries | 1,615 |
| 41. Prothonotary—Salaries | 412 |
| 42. Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries | 875 |
| 43. Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries | 9,316 |
| 44. Sheriff—Salaries | 835 |
| 45. Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries | 758 |
| 46. " " Salaries (exempt officers) | 1,562 |
| 47. Pensions, &c. (Attorney-General) | 53 |
| 48. Ordinary Expenditure (Attorney-General) | 5,404 |
| 49. Solicitor-General—Salaries | 13,168 |
| 50. " " Ordinary Expenditure | 4,986 |
| 52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 7,263 |
| 53. " Transport, &c. | 1,000 |
| 54. " Unforeseen Expenditure | 1,000 |
| 55. " Allowances to Railway Department | 4,125 |
| 56. " Grants | 26,000 |
| 57. " Pensions, &c. | 293 |
| 58. " Exceptional Expenditure | 3,000 |
| 59. Advance to Treasurer | 300,000 |
| 60. Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,390 |
| 61. Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 7,513 |
| 62. Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 272 |
| 63. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 940 |
| 64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 27,723 |
| 65. " " Exceptional Expenditure | 238 |
| 66. " " Advertising | 961 |
| 67. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 22,561 |
| 68. Immigration and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 3,862 |
| 69. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 149 |
| 70. " " Grants | 1,000 |
| 71. Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,479 |
| 72. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 7,418 |
| 73. Works and Buildings | 500 |
| 74. Exceptional Expenditure | 700 |

| Division No. | £ |
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| 75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 11,770 |
| 76. Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 17,930 |
| 77. " " Shipbuilding | 75,000 |
| 78. " " Exceptional Expenditure | 250 |
| 79. Public Works—Works and Buildings | 41,904 |
| 80. " " Road Works and Bridges | 3,000 |
| 81. " " Endowments and Grants—Municipalities, &c. | 1,000 |
| 82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 6,441 |
| 83. " Furtherance of Mining Industry | 6,622 |
| 85. " Exceptional Expenditure | 7,912 |
| 86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 15,576 |
| 88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission | 30,000 |
| 89. Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,399 |
| 90. " Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 15,181 |
| 92. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 5,880 |
| 93. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 8,684 |
| 94. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 15,805 |
| 96. Railways—Working Expenses, &c. | 1,158,000 |
| 97. " Pensions | 6,069 |
| 98. " Railway Construction Branch | 1,488 |
| 99. State Coal Mine | 82,000 |
| Total | £2,508,373 |

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

7. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Ways and Means having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Deputy-Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bayles having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

8. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Bayles reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1916-17 the sum of £2,508,373 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

9. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and eight thousand three hundred and seventy-three pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 3 be postponed until to-morrow.

11. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Four o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 3.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Livingston presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Mines.—Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines to the Honorable T. Livingston, M.P., Minister of Mines for Victoria; including Statistics, Reports on Geological Survey, Sludge Abatement, Inspection of Mines, Inspection of Boilers, Dredging, Progress of Mining, Coal Miners' Accidents Relief, Boring Operations, &c., for the year 1915.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Forests Act 1915.—Copy of proposed Order in Council recommending the excision of a certain area for Public Use in the County of Grant.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Hannah addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and eight thousand three hundred and seventy-three pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th July, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.:—

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 Robert Beckett, J. D. Brown, F. G. Clarke, E. J. Crooke, Walter S. Manifold, and A. Robinson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; five to be the quorum.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th July, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 4.

THURSDAY, 13TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, were presented :—
 - By Mr. Campbell—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 - By Mr. Rouget—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria (twenty Petitions).
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.
Mr. Leckie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 - Debate ensued.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 18TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 3.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two millions five hundred and eight thousand three hundred and seventy-three pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 13th July, 1916.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. Livingston presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Coal Mines Regulation Act 1915.—Annual Report of the Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board to the Honorable T. Livingston, M.P., Minister of Mines for Victoria, for the year 1915.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

County Court Act 1915—Amended Scale of Costs and Witnesses' Expenses payable in County Courts on and after 1st August, 1916.

4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Hannah rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, “ The question of how far the public can go in the use of Parliament *re* any legitimate grievances they may wish to bring before Members of the Assembly.”

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Bailey addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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

6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
7. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 6.

 WEDNESDAY, 19TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Cotter addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

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

3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLeod moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. McLeod moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 7.

THURSDAY, 20TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Jewell addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 25TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Outtrim presented a Petition from certain electors praying the House to pass legislation to abolish vaccination and inoculation in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Fruit Act 1915—
Regulations under, in regard to Formation of Trusts.—Order in Council.
Supplementary Regulations in regard to Formation, &c., of Trusts.—Order in Council.
4. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:
We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. McLachlan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 9.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. McCutcheon—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Land Acts.—Particulars of Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 131 of the *Land Act* 1901.
4. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :
We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
Debate resumed:
Mr. Rogers addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 10.

THURSDAY, 27TH JULY, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Mr. Tunnecliffe addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.

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

3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 1st AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—Mr. Rogers rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The quantity of wheat that the Government is losing, and what has taken place at Williamstown in connexion with the same."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Rogers moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
And the debate not having been concluded within the time permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the discussion to proceed beyond the two hours permitted by that Standing Order.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon the debate was resumed.
Question—put and negatived.
3. **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :
We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
And, after debate—
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
5. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
By Mr. Mackey—
From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :
We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Webber addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 13.

THURSDAY, 3RD AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WAR IN EUROPE—SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF DECLARATION OF WAR.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That on the eve of this, the second anniversary of the declaration of a righteous war, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria records its inflexible determination to continue to a victorious end the struggle in maintenance of those ideals of liberty and justice which are the common and sacred cause of the Allies.
And the motion having been seconded by Mr. Elmslie—
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the gracious Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Webber addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Tuesday next.
Ordered—That the debate take precedence of all other business.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Four o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Education Act 1915.—Addendum to Regulation XLII.—Course of Training for Instructors in Trade Subjects, Applied Science, Applied Art, or other Technical Subjects.—Order in Council.
 - Explosives Act 1915.—Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives to the Honorable the Chief Secretary on the Working of the Explosives Act during the year 1915.
 - Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915.—Accounts of the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to 31st December, 1915.
3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address, in reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor to both Houses of Parliament, be agreed to by this House :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

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

Debate resumed.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the Members of the House.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

1916.

VICTORIA.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1915-16.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 4.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1915-16, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd August, 1916.

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

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

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at Three o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1916.

- The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Hogan presented a Petition from Miss L. S. Webb, of Yendon, praying that the House will inquire into her claim against the Railways Commissioners in connexion with injuries received by her in railway accidents, and that she may be granted such relief as the House deems meet.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Inter-State Conferences—
Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Premiers' Conference held at Adelaide, May, 1916; together with Appendices.
Report of the Resolutions, Proceedings, and Debates of the Inter-State Conference on Forestry held at Adelaide, May, 1916.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. DAYS OF BUSINESS—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which the House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, Three o'clock on Wednesday, and half-past Ten o'clock on Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Nine o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday, and after Four o'clock on Thursday.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Johnstone moved, as an amendment, That the word "Four," where it first occurs, be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "half-past Ten."
And, after debate—
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Debate on the main question resumed.
Question—That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week during the present Session be the days on which the House shall meet for the despatch of business, and that Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, Three o'clock on Wednesday, and half-past Ten o'clock on Thursday; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Nine o'clock on Tuesday and Wednesday, and after Four o'clock on Thursday—
put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week, except on the Thursdays set apart for Private Bill Business and General Business, during the present Session Government Business shall take precedence of all other business.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. ORDER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND PRIVATE BUSINESS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That on Thursday, 17th August, and on every third Thursday thereafter during the present Session business shall be called on in the following order, viz. :—

On one third Thursday—

Private Bill Business :

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

General Business :

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

On the alternate third Thursday—

General Business :

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

Private Bill Business :

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Library Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Hannab, Mr. Mackey, and Mr. Tunnecliffe; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Standing Orders Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bayles, Mr. J. W. Billson, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Outtrim, Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Robertson; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Parliament Buildings Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Angus, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Jewell, and Mr. McGregor; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Printing Committee during the present Session :—Mr. Speaker, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Bowser, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Farthing, Mr. A. Gray, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Keast, Mr. McGregor, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Snowball; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Refreshment Rooms Committee of the Legislative Assembly during the present Session, with power to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council :—Mr. Carlisle, Mr. Leckie, Mr. Pennington, Mr. Rogers, and Mr. Solly; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

12. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the following Members form the Committee of Public Accounts during the present Session :—Mr. Campbell, Mr. Keast, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Oman, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Tunnecliffe; and that the Committee have leave to sit on days on which the House does not meet; three to be the quorum.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

13. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws, adopted by this House on the 16th June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six Members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. Prendergast, and Mr. Snowball, 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.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution,

14. MUNICIPAL RATES RECOVERY BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make further provision for the Recovery by Municipalities of Rates and Other Moneys* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
15. COMMISSION AGENTS BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. McCutcheon, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for the Licensing of Commission Agents and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
16. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Legitimation of Children by Registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
17. POOR PRISONERS DEFENCE BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for the Defence of Accused Persons who are without Adequate Means* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
18. INSTRUMENTS BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend Part VI. of the ‘ Instruments Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
19. TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Hutchinson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Transfer of Land Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
20. HEATHERTON SANATORIUM BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to the Heatherton Sanatorium* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
21. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Livingston, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to regulate the Qualifications of Trained Nurses and to provide for their Registration and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
22. FOOTWEAR REGULATION BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. McCutcheon, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to regulate the Manufacture and Sale of Footwear and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
23. STREET TRADING BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. McCutcheon, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to regulate Street Trading in certain Cases* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
24. DAYLIGHT SAVING BILL.—Mr. Membrey, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Hutchinson, obtained leave, with Mr. Hutchinson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to promote the Earlier Use of Daylight in certain Months yearly and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
25. RAILWAY LANDS ACQUISITION BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie obtained leave, with Mr. McCutcheon, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
26. SOUTH MELBOURNE AND PORT MELBOURNE LAND BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Crown Land in the City of South Melbourne and the Town of Port Melbourne* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
27. COLAC MARKET LAND BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of the remaining portion of certain Crown Land at Colac permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for a Market* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
28. PORT MELBOURNE LOAN BILL.—Mr. McCutcheon, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Sir Alexander Peacock, obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to enable the Council of the Town of Port Melbourne to apply certain Surplus Moneys in hand from the Number 5 Loan so as to increase the Amount proposed to be applied for a certain Permanent Work from the said Loan* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
29. MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Hutchinson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill relating to certain Agricultural School or College Lands situate at Mildura and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
30. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS’ SETTLEMENT BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make provision for the Settlement of Discharged Soldiers on the Land and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
31. EDUCATION BILL.—Mr. Lawson, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to further amend the ‘ Education Act 1915 ’* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

32. **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ABOLITION BILL.**—Mr. Hannah obtained leave, with Mr. Prendergast and Mr. Blackburn, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to abolish the Legislative Council of the State of Victoria* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th October next.
33. **ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.**—Mr. Prendergast obtained leave, with Mr. Warde, Mr. Solly, and Mr. Rogers, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporation of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong by abolishing the Office of Alderman and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th September next.
34. **SCAFFOLDING INSPECTION BILL.**—Mr. Elmslie obtained leave, with Mr. Hannah, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to provide for the Inspection of Scaffolding and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th September next.
35. **NON-PAYING RAILWAY LINES.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the non-paying railway lines in the State, and the losses on each for each of the last five years.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
36. **AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES—COST OF UPKEEP.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total cost of the upkeep of the agricultural colleges throughout the State during each of the last five years; each college to be shown separately.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
37. **COOL STORAGES—LOSSES IN OPERATING.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the losses in operating the various cool storages throughout the State, setting out each separately.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
38. **EXPERIMENTAL FARMS—COST OF.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the total cost of the experimental farms to the State during each of the last five financial years; each farm to be shown separately.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
39. **WARRNAMBOOL BREAKWATER, PORTLAND PORT IMPROVEMENTS, AND GIPPSLAND LAKES ENTRANCE WORKS—COST OF, AND REVENUE.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, that there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The total estimated cost of constructing the breakwater at Warrnambool.
 2. The proportion of such cost to be debited to loan money.
 3. The proportion to be met out of revenue.
 4. The cost of upkeep and management of the breakwater to date.
 5. The total amount of revenue yearly derived therefrom.
 6. The same information respecting the works of the Portland port improvements, and the works in connexion with the entrance to the port of Gippsland Lakes.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
40. **BENDIGO AND BALLARAT WORKSHOPS—COST OF, AND DATES OF COMPLETION.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The total cost up to 30th June, 1916, of the Bendigo and Ballarat workshops, and the interest paid or payable to 1st July, 1916, on money borrowed in connexion with the construction of such workshops.
 2. The date on which the contracts for the construction of the Ballarat and Bendigo workshops respectively were entered into.
 3. The dates fixed by the contractors for the completion of each workshop.
 4. The probable date of the completion of each workshop, with the machinery in position, ready for operations.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
41. **ELECTRIFICATION OF THE SUBURBAN RAILWAYS—INTEREST PAID ON COST—PARTICULARS RE FOOTSCRAY—MARIBYRNONG RIVER BRANCH RAILWAY.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The total amount of interest paid by the State up to and inclusive of 1st July, 1916, with respect to the erection and undertaking connected with the electrification of the suburban railways.
 2. The total amount of money expended on the construction of the railway branch off the Footscray line to the west side of the Maribyrnong River and proceeding along the west bank of the Maribyrnong River to the site first adopted for the electric power station, and what amount of this expenditure is likely to prove of public utility.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
42. **MAFFRA BEET SUGAR WORKS—LOSS ON.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the loss incurred in connexion with the Maffra Beet Sugar Works for each of the last five years.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

43. **MINING COMPANIES—MONEYS ADVANCED TO AND REPAID BY.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amount of money advanced by the State to mining companies during the last ten years, and the amount that has not been repaid ; also the names of the mines and amount advanced to each, together with the amount repaid by each mine.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
44. **RABBIT INSPECTORS—NUMBER OF, AND FEES PAID TO.**—Mr. Elmslie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of inspectors and the amount paid in inspectors' fees in connexion with the extermination of rabbits for each of the last five years.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
45. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.**—Mr. McGregor obtained leave, with Mr. A. A. Billson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Local Government Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 19th October next.
46. **INTESTATE ESTATES DISTRIBUTION BILL.**—Mr. Blackburn obtained leave, with Mr. Tunnecliffe, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Law relating to the Distribution of the Estates of Persons dying Intestate*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th September next.
47. **COMPULSORY VOTING (ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS) BILL.**—Mr. Cotter obtained leave, with Mr. Rogers, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for Compulsory Voting at Elections for the Legislative Assembly*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 30th November next.
48. **COMPULSORY VACCINATION ABOLITION BILL.**—Mr. Outtrim, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. J. W. Billson, obtained leave, with Mr. Jewell, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to abolish Compulsory Vaccination in Victoria*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th September next.
49. **WHEAT COMMISSION INSPECTORS—SALARY AND TENURE OF APPOINTMENTS.**—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
1. The names of the inspectors acting under the Wheat Commission.
 2. The salary each is receiving.
 3. By whom the inspectors are paid.
 4. The tenure of the appointments.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
50. **UNLAWFUL COMBINATIONS BILL.**—Mr. Mackinnon, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Toutcher, obtained leave, with Mr. Toutcher, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill for the Protection of Intra-State Trade or Commerce against Monopolies and Unlawful Combinations and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 7th September next.
51. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after No. 3.
52. **LIQUOR REFERENDUM BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 2, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—
Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for a general poll of Electors for the Legislative Assembly as to the latest hour at night for the sale of liquor on licensed premises.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McLeod do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for a General Poll of Electors for the Legislative Assembly as to the Latest Hour at Night for the Sale of Liquor on Licensed Premises*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
53. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
54. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 4 be postponed until to-morrow.

55. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 16.

THURSDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. SUPPLY—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR 1915-16.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution:—
Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £248,757 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1915-16, viz.:—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

| Division No. | | £ | £ |
|--------------|--|-------|-------|
| 3. | Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways | 35 | |
| 8. | Chief Secretary's Office—Ordinary Expenditure | 1,690 | |
| 9. | " " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensations, &c. | 304 | |
| 10. | " " Grants | 300 | |
| 12. | Explosives | 201 | |
| 13. | State Accident Insurance Office | 180 | |
| 18. | Inebriates Institution | 105 | |
| 19. | Marine Board | 10 | |
| 21. | Observatory | 12 | |
| 22. | Premier's Office | 111 | |
| 23. | Training Ship | 500 | |
| 25. | Audit Office | 100 | |
| 26. | Government Statist | 77 | |
| 27. | Hospitals for the Insane | 1,250 | |
| 28. | Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools | 276 | |
| 29. | Penal Establishments and Gaols | 124 | |
| 31. | Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria | 29 | |
| | | | 5,804 |

II.—MINISTER OF LABOUR.

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| 33. | Department of Labour | | 4 |
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III.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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| 34. | Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 6,850 | |
| 35. | " Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation | 203 | |
| 37. | " Endowments and Grants | 560 | |
| 38. | " Exceptional Expenditure | 5 | |
| | | | 7,618 |

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

| Division No. | | £ | £ |
|--------------|--|-----|-----|
| 42. | Crown Solicitor | 120 | |
| 43. | Prothonotary | 25 | |
| 44. | Master in Equity and Lunacy | 160 | |
| 46. | Sheriff | 350 | |
| 47. | Comptroller of Stamps and Collector of Imposts | 86 | |
| | | | 741 |

V.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

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| 48. | County Courts, Courts of Insolvency, Courts of Mines, General and Petty Sessions, and Children's Courts | | 8 |
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VI.—TREASURER.

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| 52. | Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 8,746 | |
| 54. | „ Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure | 2,300 | |
| 55. | „ Allowances to Railway Department | 11,500 | |
| 56. | „ Grants | 20,021 | |
| 57. | „ Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities, &c. | 362 | |
| 58. | „ Exceptional Expenditure | 18,422 | |
| 60. | Taxation Office—Income Tax Branch | 1,761 | |
| 61. | „ „ Land Tax Branch | 1,798 | |
| 63. | Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons | 23 | |
| | | | 64,933 |

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

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|------|---|-------|-------|
| 67. | Survey, Land Settlement, Closer Settlement, and Management of Crown Lands | 809 | |
| 70. | Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves | 245 | |
| 72. | Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals | 3,000 | |
| 73. | Works and Buildings | 99 | |
| 74. | Exceptional Expenditure | 898 | |
| 74A. | Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation | 342 | |
| | | | 5,393 |

VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

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| 75. | Public Works—Ordinary Expenditure | 1,000 | |
| 76. | Ports and Harbors | 150 | |
| 78. | Public Works—Works and Buildings | 7,261 | |
| 80. | „ „ Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c. | 100 | |
| | | | 8,511 |

IX.—MINISTER OF MINES.

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| 82. | Mines—Ordinary Expenditure | 759 | |
| 83. | „ Furtherance of Mining Industry | 1,395 | |
| 84. | „ Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities | 225 | |
| 85. | „ Exceptional Expenditure | 2,250 | |
| 85A. | „ Works and Buildings | 850 | |
| | | | 5,479 |

X.—MINISTER OF FORESTS.

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| 86. | State Forests | 98 | |
| 87. | Exceptional Expenditure | 3,469 | |
| | | | 3,567 |

XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

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|------|---|--------|--------|
| 89. | Department of Agriculture—Administrative | 200 | |
| 90. | Agriculture | 4,091 | |
| 90A. | To meet Loss incurred in connexion with Imported Wheat and Fodder | 22,000 | |
| 91. | Grants | 1,448 | |
| 92. | Stock and Dairy | 1,250 | |
| | | | 28,989 |

XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

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| 94. | Public Health | | 1,793 |
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XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

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| 96. | Victorian Railways—Salaries and Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1915–16 | 110,659 | |
| 97. | „ „ Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &c. | 5,745 | |
| 98. | „ „ Construction Branch | 13 | |
| | | | 116,417 |
| | | | <u>£248,757</u> |

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

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

5. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1915-16 the sum of £248,757 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

6. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 21 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

8. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ADJOURNMENT—DEATH OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE SIR GEORGE TURNER.—Sir Alexander Peacock announced to the House the death, on Sunday last, of the Right Honorable Sir George Turner, P.C., K.C.M.G., formerly Premier and Treasurer of Victoria, and first Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Australia, and out of respect to his memory moved, That the House do now adjourn until half-past Seven o'clock this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at fifty-three minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until this day, at half-past Seven o'clock.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1916.

(HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.)

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker reported that, as directed by this Honorable House, he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 8th August instant in reply to His Excellency's Speech on the opening of Parliament. His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

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 which 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.

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - Border Railways.—Report of the Royal Commission on Border Railways ; together with Copies of Commissions, Evidence, Appendices, and Plan.
- Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - Inebriate Institutions.—Report of the Inspector of Inebriate Institutions for the year 1915.
- Mr. H. McKenzie presented—
 - Bendigo and Ballarat Workshops—Cost of, and Dates of Completion.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.
 - Electrification of the Suburban Railways—Interest paid on Cost—Particulars *re* Footscray-Maribyrnong River Branch Railway.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.
 - Non-paying Railway Lines.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.

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:—

- Audit Act 1915.—General Regulations respecting Public Accounts and *Pro Formâ* Returns, &c., 1915.
- Crimes Act 1915 and Indeterminate Sentences Act 1915.—Regulations as to Indeterminate Sentences and Release on Recognisances of First Offenders.—Order in Council.
- Friendly Societies Act 1915 and Trade Unions Act 1915.—Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1915.

4. EDUCATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th August, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
7. RAILWAY LANDS ACQUISITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 22 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1916.

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

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. McLeod, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 5.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1916.

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

3. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 5, having been read—On the motion of Mr. McLeod, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts.

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

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

Mr. McLeod then brought up a Bill intitled "*A Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 6.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued for War Purposes under the authority of any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1916.

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

5. **STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 6, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued for War Purposes under the authority of any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued for War Purposes under the authority of any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

6. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Lawson, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 7.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill relating to certain Agricultural School or College Lands situate at Mildura and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th August, 1916.

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

7. **MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 7, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill relating to certain Agricultural School or College Lands situate at Mildura and for other purposes.

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

8. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—Mr. Bailey rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The employment of a former German non-commissioned officer in the Electrical Branch of the Railway Department, and the policy of the Government regarding the employment of non-naturalized Germans."

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

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

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 22 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

11. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 20.

THURSDAY, 17TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LAND SELECTED AND LEASED IN EASTERN GIPPSLAND BY EDWARD H. LEES AND HIS WIFE.—
Mr. Hogan moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The total area of land selected and leased in Eastern Gippsland by Edward H. Lees (Crown lands bailiff and contract surveyor to the Government) and his wife.
 2. The annual payments made by the Government to Edward H. Lees since his appointment.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. DRIFT OF POPULATION FROM COUNTRY DISTRICTS TO THE CITY.—Mr. A. A. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the drift of population from country districts to the city is destructive of the best interests of the State.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. DRIFT OF POPULATION FROM COUNTRY DISTRICTS TO THE CITY COMMITTEE.—Mr. A. A. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the causes of the drift of population from country districts to the city; such Committee to consist of Mr. Bailey, Mr. A. F. Cameron, Mr. J. Cameron, Mr. Clough, Mr. Cotter, Mr. A. Gray, and the Mover, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, to sit on days on which the House does not meet, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Mackey, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bowsler, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Elmslie, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |

Noes, 4.

Mr. Chatham,
Mr. McLachlan.*Tellers.*Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Warde.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

H. H. NEWTON,
*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.*FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria. *Message No. 8.*

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

“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two hundred and forty-eight thousand seven hundred and fifty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and fifteen and One thousand nine hundred and sixteen.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st August, 1916.
 3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Wheat Commission Inspectors—Salary and Tenure of Appointments.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.

Mr. Hutchinson presented—

Rabbit Inspectors—Number of, and Fees paid to.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.

Land Selected and Leased in Eastern Gippsland by Edward H. Lees and his Wife.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 17th August, 1916.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Mines Act 1915.—Regulations rescinded and Regulations substituted.—Order in Council.
 4. EDUCATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bayles reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
- Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Chemists' Apprentices on War Service*," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th August, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

6. CHEMISTS' APPRENTICES (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—On the motion of Mr. McLeod, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Unauthorized Documents Act 1915'*," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 15th August, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

8. UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 24 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Farthing presented a Petition from certain electors in the State of Victoria praying that the House will abstain from taking any steps, at the bidding of a minority, to further restrict the hours of trading for liquor bars.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Mr. Livingston presented—
Mining Companies—Moneys Advanced to and Repaid by.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Land Act 1915.—Addition to Regulations made on 10th October, 1915.—Part III.—Mallee Land, Chapter I., Agricultural Allotments and Selection Purchase Allotments.—Order in Council.
4. GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS BILL.—Mr. Membrey obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Hawthorn Tramways Trust*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. CRESWICK LAND BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Closing of Portions of certain Streets in the Municipal District of Creswick and for the Compulsory Resumption on behalf of the King of certain Lands in the said District and for Vesting the said Portions of Streets and the said and other Lands in The Creswick District Hospital for the purposes of a Hospital*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Venereal Diseases and to amend Part V. of the 'Police Offences Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. LIQUOR REFERENDUM BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. A. A. Billson addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 25 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 23.

THURSDAY, 24TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. EDUCATION BILL—CLERK'S CORRECTIONS.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a Report from the Clerk notifying that he had made the following corrections in this Bill, viz. :—
 - In clause 2, page 2, sub-section (4), the words "Save with the express authority of the Governor in Council" have been inserted at the beginning of the sub-section.
 - In clause 2, page 2, sub-section (4), lines 17-18, the words "(save with the express authority of the Governor in Council)" have been omitted.
3. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to grant the electors of Victoria, as speedily as possible, a Referendum on the question of the hours of trading for liquor bars, was presented :—
 - By Mr. Keast—
 - From certain electors in the State of Victoria.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. PETITION.—Mr. A. A. Billson^{*} presented a Petition from the Victorian Associated Brewers, the Licensed Victuallers' Association of Victoria, the Wholesale Wine and Spirit Merchants' Association of Victoria, the Licensed Grocers' Association of Victoria, the Hotel Property Owners' Association of Victoria, the Aerated Water Manufacturers' Association, the Australian Glass Manufacturing Company, the Maltsters' Association of Victoria, Aerated Water Employees' Union, Maltsters Employees' Union, Barmaids and Barmen's Union, the Cork Industry Employees, the Marine Store Employees' Union, the Brewery Employees' Union, and the Federated Liquor Trade Employees' Union of Australasia, Victorian Branch, praying that they be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House in opposition to the Liquor Referendum Bill now before the House.
 - Ordered to lie on the Table.
 - Mr. A. A. Billson moved, by leave, That the Petitioners be heard by Counsel at the Bar of the House on Tuesday, 29th instant, on the second reading of the Liquor Referendum Bill.
 - Debate ensued.
 - Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
5. INDUSTRIES IN VICTORIA—NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS TO EMPLOYEES IN, TOTAL OF EMPLOYEES, AND PERCENTAGE OF ACCIDENTS.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of accidents in each industry in the State during the years 1914 and 1915 to employees—(a) under 18 years of age; and (b) 18 years and over; male and female employees to be shown separately.
 2. The total number of employees, male and female, in each industry, and the percentage of accidents to such number.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. NEERIM SOUTH TO TOORONGO RIVER RAILWAY EXTENSION.—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, pursuant to notice, That the question of extending the Neerim South to Toorongo River railway for a distance of not more than one and three-quarter miles, so as to bring the terminus nearer to Fumina, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for consideration and report.
 - Debate ensued.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. LIQUOR REFERENDUM BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Leckie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day
Nos. 2 to 29 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Closer Settlement Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Closer Settlement Act* 1915.—Order in Council.
 - Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, during the year 1915–16.
 - Stock Foods Act 1915.—Regulations under the *Stock Foods Act* 1915.—Order in Council.
 - Workers' Compensation Act 1915.—Rules under the *Workers' Compensation Act* 1915.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Elmslie rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The administration of the Workers' Compensation Act and its relation to the scheme of insurance as affecting workmen."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Sale of Fungicides, Insecticides, Vermin Destroyers, and Weed Destroyers, and for other purposes,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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| Legislative Council, Melbourne, 22nd August, 1916. | JNO. M. DAVIES, President. |
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5. FUNGICIDES BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Building By-laws of the City of Melbourne,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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| Legislative Council, Melbourne, 22nd August, 1916. | JNO. M. DAVIES, President. |
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7. MELBOURNE BUILDING BY-LAWS BILL.—On the motion of Mr. McCutcheon, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. LIQUOR REFERENDUM BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—
That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day
Nos. 2 to 29 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McLeod moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 25.

 WEDNESDAY, 30TH AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. McLeod presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
 Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Public Health Department during the period from 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL BILL.—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Infectious Diseases Hospital Act 1914’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. LIQUOR REFERENDUM BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 Mr. Farrer addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
 Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 31 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Deputy-Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Education Act 1915,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
 Melbourne, 30th August, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
 President.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
 Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 26.

THURSDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day
Nos. 2 to 32 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 27.

TUESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 9.

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

“ *An Act to further amend the ‘ Education Act 1915.’* ”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 4th September, 1916.

3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Education Act 1915—

Regulations added to.—Regulation XXV.—School Committees.—Order in Council.

Report of the Council of Public Education for the period 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

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| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McCutcheon, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Downward, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Snowball. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. Keast. |

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Elmslie, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Webber. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 28.

 WEDNESDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Farthing presented a Petition from the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Melbourne, under the common seal of the said city, praying that the House will not pass into law the Aldermen Abolition Bill.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Industries in Victoria—Number of Accidents to Employees in, Total of Employees, and Percentage of Accidents.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 24th August, 1916.
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 :—
Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works Act 1915.—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet; together with Schedule of Contracts, for year ended 30th June, 1916.
Workers' Compensation Act 1915.—State Accident Insurance Office.—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet for period ending 30th June, 1916.
4. HANDLING GRAIN IN BULK.—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, pursuant to notice, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the bulk handling of grain by medium of the elevator system be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all the necessary steps in that direction.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until after Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive.
6. EVIDENCE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

7. **POOR PRISONERS DEFENCE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **INSTRUMENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Blackburn moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until to-morrow.
10. **RAILWAY LANDS ACQUISITION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **SOUTH MELBOURNE AND PORT MELBOURNE LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
12. **DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—
Nurses Registration Bill—Second reading.
 Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 to 20 inclusive and Nos. 22 to 32 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the House, at one minute past Ten o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 29.

THURSDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ALDERMEN ABOLITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Prendergast moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Prendergast, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until Thursday, 28th September instant.
4. INTESTATE ESTATES DISTRIBUTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Blackburn moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Lawson 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 Thursday, 28th September instant.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until Thursday, 28th September instant.
6. REAL PROPERTY BILL.—Mr. Mackey, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Bayles, obtained leave, with Mr. Bayles and Major Baird, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Law of Real Property and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Thursday, 28th September instant.
7. HOURS OF MEETING AND LIMITATION OF BUSINESS—SESSIONAL ORDER RESCINDED, NEW ORDER MADE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the Sessional Order fixing the hours of meeting, and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business, be rescinded, and that the following be adopted in place thereof :—That Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on Tuesday, that Two o'clock be the hour of meeting on Wednesday, and that half-past Ten o'clock be the hour of meeting on Thursday ; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after half-past Nine o'clock on each of these days.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That during the remainder of the Session the House shall meet on Friday, in addition to the present days of sitting ; that half-past Ten o'clock shall be the hour of meeting on that day ; that Government Business shall have precedence of all other business ; and that no fresh business, except the postponement of business on the Notice-paper, be called on after Four o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

9. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend and continue the ‘Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915’ and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 5 inclusive be postponed until after No. 6.
11. COLAC MARKET LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. STATE SAVINGS BANK BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
13. TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until Tuesday next.
15. MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. Membrey moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 5 and Nos. 7 to 29 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
17. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 30.

TUESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. COBURG RAILWAY LINE—YEAR OF OPENING AND BOOKINGS ON.—Mr. Jewell moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The year in which the Coburg railway line was opened.
 2. The number of bookings from Brunswick and Brunswick South railway stations respectively during the first year after opening.
 3. The number of bookings during last year.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. MOTOR PROSECUTIONS AND ACCIDENTS AT BRUNSWICK AND COBURG.—Mr. Jewell moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of motor prosecutions heard at the Brunswick and Coburg courts respectively during each of the years 1914, 1915, and 1916 to date.
 2. The number of accidents caused by motors in Sydney-road, Brunswick, which have been reported.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. H. McKenzie presented—

Coburg Railway Line—Year of Opening and Bookings on.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th September, 1916.

Mr. H. McKenzie presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission during the period from 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Debate ensued.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the 'Execution of Trusts Act 1915,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 30th August, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
7. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until after No. 4.
9. **HEATHERTON SANATORIUM BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 and 3 and Nos. 5 to 28 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
 Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—
Execution of Trusts Act 1915 Amendment Bill—Second reading.

And then the House, at one minute past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 31.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Mr. McLeod presented—
Motor Prosecutions and Accidents at Brunswick and Coburg.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th September, 1916.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. WATER BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Water Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Elmslie, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Lemmon, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Keast. |

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | |
| Mr. Clough, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Solly. |

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

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

THURSDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

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

Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 28 inclusive be postponed until this day.

6. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until this day, at half-past Eleven o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes past Twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 32.

THURSDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

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

2. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Warrnambool Breakwater, Portland Port Improvements, and Gippsland Lakes Entrance Works—Cost of, and Revenue.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.

Mr. McLeod presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Chief Secretary's Department during the period from 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Marine Act 1915.—Marine Board of Victoria.—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1915.

3. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Mr. Farthing moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of a new clause.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Farthing moved, by leave, That it be an instruction to the Committee that they have power to provide for prohibiting the registration of clubs not now registered.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

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

Mr. Rogers moved, That the following amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 2, line 4, omit the word "six" with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "eight."

Debate ensued.

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

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

4. **VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Elmslie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. **TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—
Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 7 and 8 be postponed until Tuesday next.
9. **PORT MELBOURNE LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 10 to 29 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 33.

TUESDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Campbell, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts (Government Research Scholarships).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. WERRIBEE PARK ESTATE—BLOCKS OCCUPIED AND UNOCCUPIED.—Mr. Robertson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of blocks, occupied and unoccupied, on the Werribee Park Estate—(a) on the dry farming area ; (b) on the irrigation area ; and (c) on the workmen's homes blocks adjacent to the railway station.
 2. The arrears of capital and interest, as at the 30th June last or any more recent date, owing to the non-settlement of the blocks on the same estate.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPERS.—Mr. Lawson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Judges.—Report of the Council of Judges under section 28 of the *Supreme Court Act* 1915.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Mines Act 1915.—Regulations relating to Mining Leases, Tailings Licences, and Water-Right Licences.—Order amended.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
6. GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to prohibit the Manufacture and Sale of Matches made with White Phosphorus and for other purposes in connexion therewith,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
Melbourne, 12th September, 1916. President.
8. WHITE PHOSPHORUS MATCHES PROHIBITION BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Membrey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to empower the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong to reclaim and improve insanitary low-lying or overcrowded areas,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th September, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

10. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG IMPROVEMENTS BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Membrey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

11. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Debate ensued.

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

Ordered, after debate—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

12. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question— That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued for War Purposes under the authority of any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 19th September, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day No. 3 and Nos. 5 to 26 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 34.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY EMPLOYEES WHO RECEIVED INCREASES IN WAGES DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1915-16.—
Mr. Rogers moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the number of employees in the Railway Service who received increases in wages during the last financial year, and the weekly value of such increases.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year ending 30th June, 1916.
4. HANDLING GRAIN IN BULK.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the bulk handling of grain by medium of the elevator system be proceeded with, and the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all the necessary steps in that direction—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Oman moved, as an amendment, that the words “the House hereby authorizes the Government to take all the necessary steps in that direction” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words “that the Government introduce a Bill to give effect to this resolution.”
And, after debate—
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the resolution—put and negatived.
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Debate on the motion, as amended, ensued.
Question—That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that the bulk handling of grain by medium of the elevator system be proceeded with, and that the Government introduce a Bill to give effect to this resolution—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the conferring of University Degrees, Diplomas, Certificates, or Licences, in the case of Persons who have become qualified to receive the same but have died on War Service,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
Melbourne, 19th September, 1916. President.
6. UNIVERSITY BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

7. COMMISSION AGENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee this day.

8. COMMISSION AGENTS BILL—FEES.—Mr. Lawson moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be charged under the Commission Agents Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. McGregor reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—

Resolved—That the following fees shall be payable under the Commission Agents Bill viz. :—

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| (a) For each licence or renewal thereof | | Five pounds. |
| (b) For each licence issued after the month of March in each year | Such proportion of Five pounds as is prescribed. | |
| (c) For each transfer of a licence | | One pound. |
| (d) For each duplicate licence on loss or destruction of original | | Ten shillings. |

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

9. COMMISSION AGENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 26 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 35.

 THURSDAY, 21ST SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
 Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Public Works Department during the period from 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
 Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
 Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
4. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
 Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 26 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 36.

TUESDAY, 26TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Select Committee upon Standing Orders; together with Minutes of the Proceedings.
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 10.

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

“An Act to authorize the Commissioners of the State Savings Bank of Victoria to invest in Stock and other Securities issued for War Purposes under the authority of any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 25th September, 1916.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. Hutchinson, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 11.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to make provision for the Settlement of Discharged Soldiers on the Land and for other purposes.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 21st September, 1916.

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

5. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 11, having been read—On the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution:—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of the Bill to make provision for the Settlement of Discharged Soldiers on the Land and for other purposes.

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

6. VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the following amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 2, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), line 15, omit the word “sixteen” and insert the word “eighteen.”

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

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| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Downward, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Angus, |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. Bayles. |

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Plain, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Prendergast, | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Bayles moved, That the following amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 5, at the end of the clause add the following new sub-section :—

“(4) Any medical practitioner who issues a prescription in respect of a venereal disease which is undated and does not bear his address and his usual signature (including his surname) shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty of not more than Five pounds.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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

Clause 8, sub-section (3), line 19, after the word “Twenty” insert the word “pounds.”

Clause 11, line 9, before the word “Subject” insert the figure “(1).”

„ line 12, after the word “fact” insert the words “and subject to the regulations.”

„ line 13, after the word “patient” insert the words “at his request.”

„ at the end of the clause insert the following sub-section :—

“(2) Any medical practitioner who gives to any person a certificate that such person is cured or is free from venereal disease or is no longer liable to convey the infection of any such disease knowing the said certificate to be false in any material particular shall be liable to a penalty of not more than Fifty pounds.”

Clause 13, sub-section (1), page 5, line 36, after the word “person” omit the words “other than a child.”

„ sub-section (5), page 7, line 21, omit the word “private.”

„ sub-section (8), page 8, lines 6–7, after the word “including” omit the words “any child or.”

Clause 16, line 23, after the word “women” insert the words “provided that a woman practitioner or women practitioners (as the case may be) are available within a radius of twenty miles and are willing to act.”

Clause 20, paragraph (b), line 15, after the word “the” insert the words “examination or”; and after the word “by” omit the word “private.”

„ paragraph (b), line 17, after the word “disease” insert the words “and for the remuneration of such practitioners under any such arrangement.”

„ line 24, before the word “and” insert the following new paragraph :—

“(d) arrange for the supply of drugs medicines and appliances for the treatment alleviation and cure of venereal diseases in the cases of persons unable through poverty or otherwise to pay for such drugs medicines or appliances.”

„ line 25, omit the letter “(d)” and insert the letter “(e).”

Clause 21, sub-section (1), paragraph (c), line 40, after the word “conditions” insert the words “and circumstances.”

„ sub-section (1), paragraph (c), line 43, after the word “issued” insert the words “and the maximum fee chargeable for any such certificate.”

Mr. McLeod moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 21, sub-section (1), page 12, paragraph (g), omit this paragraph.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Snowball moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 21, sub-section (1), page 12, paragraph (g), line 16, omit the word " destitute " and insert the word " all."

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the word proposed to be inserted in place of the word omitted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until to-morrow.
8. **MUNICIPAL RATES RECOVERY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until to-morrow.
10. **MELBOURNE TO BURWOOD TRAMWAYS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 to 27 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 37.

 WEDNESDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend and continue the 'Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 26th September, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendment be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1 be postponed until this day, and Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive until after No. 8.
5. EXECUTION OF TRUSTS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
6. FOOTWEAR REGULATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.

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

Clause 2, lines 10-13, omit the words " which proclamation may be made when the Governor in Council is satisfied that a similar Act has been passed by the Parliament of New South Wales."

Clause 4, line 18, after the word "shoe" insert the words " on that portion of the sole known as the waist."

„ line 19, after the word " not " insert the words " less than Five pounds nor."

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

7. MUNICIPAL RATES RECOVERY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 4 be postponed until after No. 5.
10. INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4, 6, and 7 be postponed until after No. 9.
12. CHEMISTS' APPRENTICES (WAR SERVICE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
Ordered that a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
13. DAYLIGHT SAVING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

14. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 6 be postponed until Tuesday next.
15. **INSTRUMENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—
Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 10 to 26 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. Lawson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 38.

TUESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 12.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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.:—

“An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the ‘Execution of Trusts Act 1915.’”
“An Act relating to Chemists’ Apprentices on War Service.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 2nd October, 1916.

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

Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Report of the Trustees for 1915, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1914–15.

4. INTOXICATING LIQUOR (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Insert the following New Clause to follow Clause 3:—

B. (1) Where in any licensed premises *bonâ fide* meals have before the passing of this Act been habitually supplied to customers or in the premises of any registered club supplied to members of the club, a Licensing Court for the district consisting of one magistrate may on the application of the licensee or (as the case may be) the secretary of the club, grant with respect to such licensed premises or club premises a permit to such licensee or secretary for the sale disposal or supply of liquor for consumption with *bonâ fide* meals in accordance with the provisions of this section and may at any time revoke any such permit.

Permit for sale of liquor with meals in certain cases.

- (2) The operation of this Act shall not be held to prevent—

(a) the sale or disposal or supply of liquor on any licensed premises or club premises with respect to which a permit under this section has been granted and is in force to any person or member of a club (as the case may be) for consumption with a *bonâ fide* meal from the hour of six o'clock in the evening until such time not being later than eight o'clock in the evening as is specified in the permit: Provided that the meal is not being served and the liquor is not sold disposed of supplied or consumed in any bar or other part of the licensed premises or club premises except in the dining room thereof in which meals are usually served: Provided further that the door or doors of such dining room are not locked or kept locked between the hours of six o'clock and eight o'clock in the evening; or

Saving as to supply, &c., of liquor with meals in licensed or club premises between the hours of six and eight o'clock in the evening and in railway refreshment rooms.

Comp. (S.A.)
No. 1236 s. 66;
(Vict.) No. 2683
ss. 178, 180.

(b) the sale or disposal or supply of liquor on the premises of any railway refreshment room licensee at any railway station to any person travelling by any train conveying passengers from the arrival of such train at the station until its departure but not longer than for a period of twenty minutes after such arrival.

(3) Save as expressly provided in this section nothing in this section shall make lawful anything which would have been a contravention of any of the provisions of the Licensing Acts or this Act if this section had not passed.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the amendment be disagreed with.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the said amendment.

5. **LUNACY BILL.**—Mr. Lawson, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Lunacy Act 1915’ and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. **MIDWIVES BILL.**—Mr. McLeod, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the ‘Midwives Act 1915’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **BELLARINE LAND BILL.**—Mr. Hutchinson, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Bellarine as a Site for a Race-course and other purposes of Public Recreation*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. **MUNICIPAL RATES RECOVERY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—
Clause 3, lines 2–5, omit the words “free from any mortgages and charges to which the municipality has priority by virtue of its charge.”
Clause 11, page 6, paragraph (d), line 11, omit the words “any mortgage or charge” and insert the words “all estates interests and rights.”
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after Nos. 6 and 7.
11. **WATER BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
12. **MILDURA COLLEGE LANDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of the remaining portion of certain Crown Land at Colac permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for a Market,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 3rd October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after No. 8.

15. SOUTH MELBOURNE AND PORT MELBOURNE LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend and continue the 'Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 3rd October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law of Evidence,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 3rd October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

17. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—
Liquor Referendum Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5, Nos. 9 to 18 inclusive, and Nos. 20 and 21 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 39.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.**—Mr. Prendergast rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The question of the calling for tenders and supply of foreign-made articles to the Railway Department and the necessity of compelling preference to be given to Australian and British made goods."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
3. **MEMBERS' QUALIFICATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Qualification of Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE REPORT.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report of the Standing Orders Committee recommending the adoption of certain proposed new Standing Orders having been read—
Mr. Lawson moved, That the following be adopted as a Standing Order of this House:—

TIME LIMIT OF SPEECHES.

Debates in the House.

78E. No Member shall speak for more than forty-five minutes in any debate in the House except in the debate on the Address-in-Reply, or on a direct motion of want of confidence, when a Member shall be at liberty to speak for one hour.

Provided that with the consent of a majority of the House on a motion to be moved and determined at once without amendment or debate, a Member may be allowed to continue his speech for a further period not exceeding thirty minutes.

Provided also that this Rule shall not apply to a Member moving the second reading of a Bill or a substantive and independent motion, or to the mover of a direct motion of want of confidence, or to the Leader of the Government, or to the Leader of the Opposition, or to any Member deputed by either of such Leaders respectively to speak first for the Government or Opposition on any of such motions; but when the Leader of either side so deposes his right such Leader shall then be limited to the same extent as other Members.

Debates in Committee of the House.

In Committee of the House, except as hereinafter provided, no Member other than a Member in charge of a Bill or motion, or Minister in charge of an Estimate, shall speak more than twice on any one question, nor more than thirty minutes on the first occasion, and fifteen minutes on the second occasion.

This Rule shall not apply to a Minister delivering the Financial Statement, or to the Leader of the Opposition replying thereto, or to any Member deputed by the Leader of the Opposition to reply first thereto. All other Members debating the Financial Statement, including the Leader of the Opposition when he has deputed his right to speak first in reply, may speak for not more than one hour thereon. No Member shall speak more than once on the Financial Statement, except the Minister who delivered the same, who shall be allowed a reply, such reply not to exceed thirty minutes.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Snowball. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |
| Mr. Mackey, | |
| Mr. McGregor, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Keast. |

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Cotter, | |
| Mr. Hannah, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Lemmon, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Lawson moved, That Standing Order No. 273B relating to Supply and Ways and Means be repealed, and that the following be adopted in place thereof:—

GRIEVANCE DAY.

273c. On the Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply or Committee of Ways and Means, Mr. Speaker shall put the question "That I do now leave the Chair," but where either of these Committees has reported progress, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair without putting any question, on the Order of the Day being read.

Except that while the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means are open, the first Order of the Day on every third Thursday shall be either Supply or Ways and Means, and that on that Order of the Day being read the question shall be proposed "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," to which question any Member shall be at liberty to address the House, or move any amendment thereon, provided that no Member shall speak for more than twenty minutes, and that the whole discussion on this question shall not exceed four hours.

Debate ensued.

Question—That Standing Order No. 273B relating to Supply and Ways and Means be repealed—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Debate ensued on the question, That the proposed Standing Order recommended by the Standing Orders Committee be adopted in place of Standing Order No. 273B repealed.

Mr. Lemmon moved, as an amendment, That the words "no Member shall speak for more than twenty minutes, and that" be omitted.

And, after debate—

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Lemmon moved, as an amendment, That the words "no Member shall speak for more than" be omitted.

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

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, as an amendment, That the word "twenty" be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "thirty."

Question—That the word "twenty" proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed new Standing Order—put and negatived.

Question—That the word "thirty" proposed to be inserted in place of the word omitted be so inserted—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackey, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Keast. |

Noes, 15.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Rogers. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the following be adopted as a Standing Order of this House :—

273c. On the Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply or Committee of Ways and Means, Mr. Speaker shall put the question "That I do now leave the Chair," but where either of these Committees has reported progress, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair without putting any question, on the Order of the Day being read.

Except that while the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means are open, the first Order of the Day on every third Thursday shall be either Supply or Ways and Means, and that on that Order of the Day being read the question shall be proposed "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," to which question any Member shall be at liberty to address the House, or move any amendment thereon, provided that no Member shall speak for more than thirty minutes, and that the whole discussion on this question shall not exceed four hours—

put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3 be postponed until to-morrow.
6. **MIDWIVES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment ; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
7. **LUNACY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
8. **UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 7 be postponed until to-morrow.
10. **CRESWICK LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. Hutchinson moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
11. **BELLARINE LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 10 to 18 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 40.

THURSDAY, 5TH OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
 - Agricultural Colleges—Cost of Upkeep.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.
 - Cool Storages—Losses in Operating.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.
 - Experimental Farms—Cost of.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.
 - Maffra Beet Sugar Works—Loss on.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th August, 1916.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
3. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Angus rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely:—"The mismanagement of the Railways in general, and particularly in reference to the trucking and carrying uncovered wheat and the neglect to provide tarpaulins for the same, also for the stacks that are opened and are unprovided with covering."

Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Angus moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

Mr. Hogan addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Hogan continued his speech.
Debate continued.

Mr. H. McKenzie addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech at the expiration of the fifteen minutes permitted by Standing Order No. 8B—
Mr. McLeod moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 8B be suspended so far as to allow the Honorable Member to continue his speech.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. H. McKenzie continued his speech.
And the discussion on the subject not having terminated at the expiration of two hours—
Mr. Speaker put the question—That the House do now adjourn—which was negatived.
4. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Robertson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

6. UNIVERSITY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 8 to 13 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 41.

TUESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 13.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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. :—

- “ An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of the remaining portion of certain Crown Land at Colac permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for a Market.”
- “ An Act to amend and continue the ‘ Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915’ and for other purposes.”
- “ An Act to amend the Law of Evidence.”
- “ An Act to amend the ‘ Unauthorized Documents Act 1915.’”
- “ An Act to provide for the conferring of University Degrees Diplomas Certificates or Licences in the case of Persons who have become qualified to receive the same but have died on War Service.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 9th October, 1916.

3. STANDING ORDERS—APPROVAL OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—Mr. Speaker announced that His Excellency the Governor had, on Monday last, at the Government Offices, been pleased to approve of the Standing Orders numbered 78E and 273C, adopted by this House on the 4th October instant, relating to Time Limit of Speeches and “ Grievance Day ” respectively.
4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

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VICTORIA.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE, 1916-17.

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 14.

The Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1916-17, in lieu of the Estimate of Expenditure for the first three months of the year 1916-17, transmitted on the 4th July, 1916, and recommends an Appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue accordingly.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 4th October, 1916.

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

5. PETITION.—Mr. Angus presented a Petition from certain farmers resident in the State of Victoria, praying that the House will be pleased to have an independent inquiry made into the whole of the working methods of the Victorian wheat-marketing scheme, with a view of improving the said methods in the interests of farmers and the community in general.

Ordered to lie on the Table,

6. PAPERS.—Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1915—
 Part II.—Law, Crime, &c.
 Part III.—Finance.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
 Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. SUPPLY.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—
Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £1,289,888 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1916-17, viz. :—

| Division No. | £ |
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| 1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 192 |
| 2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,645 |
| 3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 184 |
| 4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 350 |
| 5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 144 |
| 6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 201 |
| 7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure .. | 862 |
| 8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,968 |
| 9. " " Pensions, &c. | 3,507 |
| 10. " " Grants | 1,360 |
| 11. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 771 |
| 12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 735 |
| 13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 312 |
| 14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 686 |
| 15. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 227 |
| 16. The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure | 59 |
| 17. Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 192 |
| 18. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 547 |
| 19. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 698 |
| 20. Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 120 |
| 21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 482 |
| 22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 621 |
| 23. Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,585 |
| 24. Agent-General—Staff and Office | 1,080 |
| 25. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,282 |
| 26. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,671 |
| 27. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... .. | 29,322 |
| 28. Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 27,736 |
| 29. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 9,899 |
| 30. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 58,081 |
| 31. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,190 |
| 32. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 629 |
| 33. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,255 |
| 34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 170,000 |
| 35. " Pensions, &c. | 120 |
| 36. " Works and Buildings | 1,580 |
| 37. " Endowments and Grants | 14,120 |
| 39. Law Department—Salaries | 1,064 |
| 40. Crown Solicitor—Salaries | 1,035 |
| 41. Prothonotary—Salaries | 263 |
| 42. Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries | 584 |
| 43. Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries | 6,046 |
| 44. Sheriff—Salaries | 539 |
| 45. Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries | 476 |
| 46. " " (exempt officers) | 1,000 |
| 47. Pensions, &c. (Attorney-General)... .. | 35 |
| 48. Ordinary Expenditure (Attorney-General) | 2,000 |
| 49. Solicitor-General—Salaries | 8,621 |
| 50. " " Ordinary Expenditure | 2,000 |
| 52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,845 |
| 53. " Transport, &c. | 667 |
| 54. " Unforeseen Expenditure | 667 |
| 55. " Allowances to Railway Department | 2,750 |
| 57. " Pensions, &c. | 65 |
| 60. Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,024 |
| 61. Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,820 |
| 62. Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 188 |
| 63. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 627 |

| Division No. | £ |
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| 64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 15,280 |
| 65. " " Exceptional Expenditure | 150 |
| 66. " " Advertising | 600 |
| 67. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 14,479 |
| 68. Intelligence and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 2,364 |
| 69. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 66 |
| 70. " " Grants | 1,000 |
| 71. Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,590 |
| 72. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 5,112 |
| 74. Works and Buildings—Exceptional Expenditure | 548 |
| 75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 6,908 |
| 76. Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 15,625 |
| 78. " " Exceptional Expenditure | 666 |
| 79. Public Works—Works and Buildings | 7,650 |
| 81. " " Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c. | 500 |
| 82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,366 |
| 83. " Furtherance of Mining Industry | 5,100 |
| 84. " Pensions, &c. | 71 |
| 85. " Exceptional Expenditure | 500 |
| 86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 14,604 |
| 88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission | 19,500 |
| 89. Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 1,268 |
| 90. " Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 9,896 |
| 92. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,640 |
| 93. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 5,007 |
| 94. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... .. | 21,804 |
| 96. Railways—Working Expenses, &c. | 698,600 |
| 97. " Pensions | 4,049 |
| 98. " Railway Construction Branch | 992 |
| 99. State Coal Mine | 43,224 |
| Total | £1,289,888 |

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

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

10. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1916–17 the sum of £1,289,888 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McLeod do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

11. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Presentments in Criminal Cases, and matters preliminary, incidental, or similar thereto*," with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 3rd October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

13. **PRESENTMENTS BILL.**—On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Defence of Accused Persons who are without Adequate Means,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Port Melbourne to apply certain Surplus Moneys in hand from the Number 5 Loan so as to increase the Amount proposed to be applied for a certain Permanent Work from the said Loan,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Transfer of Land Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 10th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 13 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

18. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 42.

 WEDNESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That a chair be provided on the floor of the House for Dewdney William Drew, Esquire, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Germiston, Transvaal, Union Parliament of South Africa.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. WHEAT MARKETING BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Lawson, obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to extend the Operation of and to amend the ‘Wheat Marketing Act 1915’*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. MEMBERS’ QUALIFICATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
5. BETTING TAX—STAMP DUTIES ON BOOKMAKERS’ LICENCES OR PERMITS AND ON BETTING TICKETS.—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider Stamp Duties on Bookmakers’ Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—

Resolved—

1. That there shall in respect of the financial year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and each and every subsequent financial year be charged (under and subject to the Stamps Acts) for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon the several licences or permits hereinafter specified the several duties hereinafter specified :—

BOOKMAKERS' LICENCES OR PERMITS—

| Any licence or permit issued to any bookmaker at any time— | £ | s. | d. |
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| (a) by the Victoria Racing Club with respect to race meetings on the Flemington Race-course— | | | |
| if such licence or permit is for the grand-stand enclosure ... | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| if for that portion of the race-course grounds known as the hill ... | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| if for the flat | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| (b) by the Victorian Amateur Turf Club with respect to race-meetings on the Caulfield Race-course— | | | |
| if such licence or permit is for the grand-stand enclosure ... | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| if for the flat | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| (c) by any racing club or any person with respect to race-meetings on any other race-course within a radius of twenty miles from the General Post Office in Melbourne— | | | |
| if such licence or permit is for the grand-stand enclosure ... | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| if for any other part of the race-course grounds ... | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| (d) by any racing club or any person with respect to race meetings on any race-course in Victoria not hereinbefore provided for ... | 5 | 0 | 0 |

Exemptions—

A bookmaker who in any financial year has paid the duty upon any licence or permit with respect to any race-course or part thereof for that year shall to the extent only of the duty so paid be exempt from payment of duty for that year upon any other licence or permit as aforesaid.

2. That there shall be charged (under and subject to the Stamps Acts) for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon betting-tickets as hereinafter specified the several duties hereinafter specified :—

BETTING TICKETS—

| Any betting-ticket issued by a bookmaker on any race-course— | £ | s. | d. |
|--|---|----|----|
| in the grand-stand enclosure | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| elsewhere in the race-course grounds | 0 | 0 | 1 |

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

6. BETTING TAX BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for imposing certain Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the Qualification of Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

8. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—

Debate resumed.

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

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

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

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

Debate resumed.

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

And, after debate—

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

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

10. **LUNACY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—
Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after No. 10.

12. **TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. Clause 5, line 19, after "land" add "Provided that a reference shall be made on the form in the said Third Schedule to the registry number of the Crown grant containing such reservations exceptions conditions and powers."
2. Clause 10, line 16, after "repealed" insert—
“() after the word ‘appointed’ there shall be inserted the words ‘or constituted.’”
3. Clause 19, lines 37–39, omit—
“(iv) The forms to be used for applications instruments and other documents to be lodged with the Registrar.”
4. Clause 19, line 41, omit "prescribed."
5. Clause 21, line 21, after "repealed" insert—
“() after the word ‘appointed’ there shall be inserted the words ‘or constituted.’”

Add the following New Clauses:—

6. C. At the end of section two hundred and forty-eight of the Principal Act there shall be inserted the following words:—
“Where an application under section eighty-seven of this Act for a vesting order is rejected by the Commissioner such rejection shall be deemed and taken to be a direction upon the application given by the Commissioner within the meaning of this section.”
7. D. At the end of condition (1) of Table A in the Twenty-fifth Schedule to the Principal Act there shall be inserted the following words:—
“As from the day of acceptance of title the purchaser shall discharge outgoings, apportionments if necessary being made.”
8. E. The Registrar may upon the delivery up to him of a duplicate Crown grant or certificate of title issue a new certificate of title in the place of the existing Crown grant or certificate of title which shall thereupon be cancelled.

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1, after debate, disagreed with.

Amendment 2 agreed to.

Amendments 3 and 4 disagreed with.

Amendments 5 to 8 inclusive agreed to.

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

13. **BETTING TAX BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 11th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 to 9 inclusive and Nos. 11 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 43.

THURSDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WAGES BOARDS—APPLICATIONS FOR AND NUMBER APPOINTED.—Mr. J. W. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The total number of Wages Boards appointed during the year ended 30th September last.
 2. The number of applications for appointment received.
 3. The names of the applicants.
 4. The date on which each application was lodged.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Licensing Acts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. INDUSTRIAL PEACE PRESERVATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to promote the Preservation of Industrial Peace*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Membrey, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Sir Alexander Peacock, obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend Part IX. of 'The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and negatived.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
7. BETTING TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.

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

Clause 3, sub-section (1), lines 39-41, omit the words "financial year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and each and every subsequent financial year" and insert the words "year commencing on the first day of November One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and ending on the thirty-first day of October One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and each and every subsequent year commencing on the first day of November and ending on the thirty-first day of October."

Clause 16, lines 8-9, omit the words "be deemed to expire at the end of the financial year in which they are issued" and insert the words "and except as otherwise provided in this section be deemed to expire on the thirty-first day of October next following the issue thereof."

.. paragraph (a), line 13, omit the words "thirtieth day of June" and insert the words "thirty-first day of October."

First Schedule, in the Exemptions—

Omit the words "in any financial year" and insert the words "in any period commencing with the first day of November in any year and ending with the thirty-first day of October in the next subsequent year."

Omit the word "year," wherever occurring, and insert the word "period."

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

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 15.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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. :—

"An Act to enable the Council of the Town of Port Melbourne to apply certain Surplus Moneys in hand from the Number 5 Loan so as to increase the amount proposed to be applied for a certain Permanent Work from the said Loan."

"An Act to provide for the Defence of Accused Persons who are without Adequate Means."

"An Act relating to the Qualification of Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly."

"An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million two hundred and eighty-nine thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen."

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1916.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "An Act for imposing certain Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Pernits and on Betting Tickets and for other purposes," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 12th October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, 31st October instant.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 31st October instant.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at two minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 31st October instant.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 44.

TUESDAY, 31ST OCTOBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 16.

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

“ An Act for imposing certain Stamp Duties on Bookmakers' Licences or Permits and on Betting Tickets and for other purposes.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 23rd October, 1916.

3. PAPER.—Mr. Speaker presented—

Finance 1915-16.—Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue and other Moneys, year ending 30th June, 1916 ; accompanied by the Report of the Auditor-General and by the Documents specified in the Fifty-sixth Section of the Audit Act.

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

4. PAPERS.—Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1915—

Part IV.—Vital Statistics, &c.

Part V.—Municipal Statistics.

Part VI.—Population.

Sir Alexander Peacock presented—

Wages Boards—Applications for and Number appointed.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 12th October, 1916.

Sir Alexander Peacock presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—

Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Treasurer's Department during the period from 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.

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 :—

Betting Tax Act 1916.—Regulations under the *Betting Tax Act* 1916.—Order in Council.

Closer Settlement Act 1915.—Report of the Lands Purchase and Management Board for the year ended 30th June, 1916.

Fire Brigades Act 1915—

Country Fire Brigades Board.—Regulations.—Order in Council.

Regulations for the Conduct of Elections of Members of the Country Fire Brigades Board and Local Committees of Country Fire Districts.—Order in Council.

Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools Department.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1915.

Savings Banks Act 1915.—The State Savings Bank of Victoria.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1916.

State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.—Eleventh Annual Report, 1915-16.

Vegetation and Vine Diseases Act 1915.—Regulations (Consolidated).—Order in Council.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until after Notice of Motion, General Business, No. 1.
6. **RULING BY MR. SPEAKER.**—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That this House disagrees with the ruling of Mr. Speaker upon the question of permitting speeches and explanations to take place under the guise of points of order.

Debate ensued.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "House" be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "agrees with Mr. Speaker's action in stopping a discussion based on a misunderstanding."

And, after debate—

Mr. Prendergast moved, by leave, That the motion be amended by inserting the words "on 5th October instant" after the words "Mr. Speaker."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Debate ensued on the amendment to omit all the words after the word "House" with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "agrees with Mr. Speaker's action in stopping a discussion based on a misunderstanding."

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 15.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Cotter, | |
| Mr. Hannah, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Rogers. |

Noes, 32.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Leckie, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackey, | Mr. Campbell, |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. J. Gray. |

And so it passed in the negative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words omitted be amended by inserting the words "on 5th October instant" after the word "action."

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

Question—That the words "agrees with Mr. Speaker's action on 5th October instant in stopping a discussion based on a misunderstanding" be inserted in place of the words omitted—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Downward, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Leckie, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackey, | |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Keast. |

Noes, 15.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Cotter, | |
| Mr. Hannah, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Webber. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this House agrees with Mr. Speaker's action on 5th October instant in stopping a discussion based on a misunderstanding—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Hawthorn Tramways Trust,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Closing of Portions of certain Streets in the Municipal District of Creswick and for the Compulsory Resumption on behalf of the King of certain Lands in the said District and for Vesting the said Portions of Streets and the said and other Lands in The Creswick District Hospital for the purposes of a Hospital,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to promote the Earlier Use of Daylight in certain Months yearly and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 9 inclusive be postponed until after No. 10.

10. RAILWAY LANDS ACQUISITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Add the following New Clause :—

A. Except the fee for service of a default summons by a member of the police force as provided by the *Justices Act 1915* no fee shall be payable on the issue or service of any summons or the issue of a warrant of distress on the complaint or application of any trust.

Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That the amendment be disagreed with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the said amendment.

11. MELBOURNE BUILDING BY-LAWS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

12. FUNGICIDES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Livingston moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Transfer of Land Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council insist on their amendment in clause 5 disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and do not insist on their amendments in clause 19 but have amended paragraph (iv) of the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Bellarine as a Site for a Race-course and other purposes of Public Recreation,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Crown Land in the City of South Melbourne and the Town of Port Melbourne,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 9 inclusive and Nos. 11 to 17 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 45.

WEDNESDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **MEDICAL BILL.**—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the Law relating to Medical Practitioners* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
3. **GAOLS BILL.**—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Gaols Act 1915 ’* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1 be postponed until after No. 2.
5. **MELBOURNE BUILDING BY-LAWS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—
Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
6. **WHEAT MARKETING BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Hutchinson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to certain Agricultural School or College Lands situate at Mildura and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 31st October, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

In the Schedule, page 11, line 11, omit "78459" and insert "784590."

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

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Legitimation of Children by Registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 1st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment with which the Legislative Assembly have disagreed.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 1st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

10. WHITE PHOSPHORUS MATCHES PROHIBITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

11. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

12. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 16 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 46.

THURSDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. STRATHBOGIE CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting Strathbogie by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway with the existing railway system; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. MILK—SAMPLES OF, TAKEN BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1916.—Mr. Mackey moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Bayles, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of samples of milk taken by the Public Health Department from farmers' sealed cans while in transit to retail dairymen, both by road and rail, for the months of September and October of this year.
 2. The number of samples taken from the dairies and vehicles of retail dairymen in the metropolitan area for the same period.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until this day.
6. WHITE PHOSPHORUS MATCHES PROHIBITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. PRESENTMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. **WATER BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. **MEDICAL BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **GAOLS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. D. Smith. |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Mackey, | Mr. Toutcher. |

Noes, 12.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Rogers. |

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 8 to 14 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at Seven o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at forty-four minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until Wednesday next.

H. H. NEWTON,
Clerk of the Legislative Assemb

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 47.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 17.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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.:—

- “ An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Hawthorn Tramways Trust.”
- “ An Act to provide for the Closing of Portions of certain Streets in the Municipal District of Creswick and for the Compulsory Resumption on behalf of the King of certain Lands in the said District and for vesting the said Portions of Streets and the said and other Lands in The Creswick District Hospital for the purposes of a Hospital.”
- “ An Act to promote the Earlier Use of Daylight in certain Months yearly and for other purposes.”
- “ An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Bellarine as a Site for a Race-course and other purposes of Public Recreation.”
- “ An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Crown Land in the City of South Melbourne and the Town of Port Melbourne.”
- “ An Act to amend the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Acts.”
- “ An Act relating to certain Agricultural School or College Lands situate at Mildura and for other purposes.”
- “ An Act to amend the Law relating to the Legitimation of Children by Registration under the Registration of Births Deaths and Marriages Acts.”
- “ An Act to amend the ‘ Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1915.’ ”
- “ An Act to prohibit the Manufacture and Sale of Matches made with White Phosphorus and for other purposes in connexion therewith.”

The Government Offices,
Melbourne, 6th November, 1916.

3. PAPERS.—Mr. McLeod presented—

Milk—Samples of, taken by the Public Health Department during September and October, 1916.—Return to an Order of the House dated 2nd November, 1916.

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:—

Education Act 1915.—Regulation rescinded and Regulation substituted.—New Regulation X.—Junior Teachers and Sewing Mistresses.—Order in Council.
Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1915.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 18.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees fines penalties forfeitures and imposts for the purposes of the Bill to amend the Licensing Acts.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 3rd November, 1916.

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

5. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 18, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue and of fees fines penalties forfeitures and imposts for the purposes of the Bill to amend the Licensing Acts.

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

6. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 12 inclusive and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 48.

THURSDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DOOKIE TO KATAMATITE AND BENALLA TO YARRAWONGA CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the Dookie to Katamatite and the Benalla to Yarrowonga railways by means of a railway; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. GEELONG DISTRICT—PAY OFFICES, CROWN TENANTS, CROWN LANDS AVAILABLE, AND LAND BOARDS.—Mr. Johnstone moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The names of the pay offices within the Geelong district.
 2. The number of Crown tenants whose payments are made at each pay office.
 3. The total payments on account of Crown land made at each pay office during the year 1915-16.
 4. Approximately, what is the total acreage of Crown lands available within the Geelong district.
 5. If such vacant lands were taken up and payments had to be made concerning them, what is the approximate acreage the rents of which would have to be paid at each pay office within the district.
 6. The number of Land Boards held at Geelong and Elaine, and the number of cases dealt with extending over a period of five years ending the 30th September, 1916.
 7. The number of Land Boards held at Colac and Cobden, and the number of cases dealt with during the same period.
 8. Arising out of the answer to the last question, what was the number of Land Boards held at Colac, and the number of cases dealt with during the same period.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1 be postponed until Thursday, 30th November instant.
5. INTESTATE ESTATES DISTRIBUTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—
Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Blackburn, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
6. COMPULSORY VACCINATION ABOLITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Outtrim moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. McLeod addressing the House, and not having concluded his speech, the House ordered that he have leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned, and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for Thursday, 30th November instant.

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 4 to 7 inclusive be postponed until Thursday, 30th November instant.
8. **SECOND-HAND DEALERS BILL.**—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to regulate the Sale and Purchase of Goods by Second-hand Dealers*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. McLeod obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to extend the Powers of Municipalities with respect to Hawkers and Itinerant Traders and the Regulation of the Sale of Fish*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Bowser reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Government Business, Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Mr. McLeod moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 49.

FRIDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY DEPARTMENT—OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF "KNOWN ABILITY" APPOINTED DURING 1915-16.—Mr. Blackburn moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the names and grades of the twenty-seven officers and employees of "known ability" who were appointed by Order in Council under section 142 of Act No. 2716 during the year ending 30th June last. (See Annual Report of the Railways Commissioners, page 21.)
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. RAILWAY DEPARTMENT—COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FARES AND FREIGHTS ON COUNTRY LINES IN VICTORIA, NEW SOUTH WALES, AND SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1914-15 AND 1915-16.—Mr. Barnes moved, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Menzies, That there be laid before this House a return containing a comparative statement for the years 1914-15 and 1915-16 of the fares and freights on country lines in Victoria and in the States of New South Wales and South Australia, the freight charges to include manures, grain, and hay for 100, 200, and 300 miles respectively.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Country Roads Act 1915.—Third Annual Report of the Country Roads Board.
5. TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they insist on their amendment in clause 5 disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, and do not insist on their amendments in clause 19 but have added certain words to paragraph (iv) of the said clause having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

| Amendments made by the Legislative Council. | How dealt with. |
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| 1. Clause 5, line 19, after "land" add "Provided that a reference shall be made on the form in the said Third Schedule to the registry number of the Crown grant containing such reservations exceptions conditions and powers." | Disagreed with by Assembly. —Insisted on by Council. |
| 3. Clause 19, lines 37-39, omit— "(iv) The forms to be used for applications instruments and other documents to be lodged with the Registrar." | Disagreed with by Assembly. —Not insisted on by Council but the following words have been added to the paragraph (iv) :—"but any such regulation and the forms thereunder shall be subject to the provisions of section two hundred and seventy-nine of the Principal Act." |

Amendment 1—

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House insist on disagreeing with this amendment.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment 3—

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House agree to the amendment of the Legislative Council to add certain words to paragraph (iv) of clause 19.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendment made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in clause 5 of such Bill, and have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Council to add certain words to paragraph (iv) of clause 19.

6. **PRESENTMENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

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

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

Clause 1, sub-section (2), lines 11–12, omit the words “first day of July” and insert the words “thirty-first day of January.”

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

7. **GAOLS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

8. **WATER BILL—DOMESTIC AND STOCK SUPPLY RATE.**—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the rate to be charged for domestic and stock supply under the Water Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Outtrim reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that Authorities have power to make by-laws fixing the sums which shall be the minimum amount of the rate to be charged for domestic and stock supply under the Water Bill.

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

9. **WATER BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

10. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time on Tuesday next.

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 6 to 13 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. **PAPERS.**—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Closer Settlement Commission.—Final Report from the Royal Commission on Closer Settlement as to the Working of the Closer Settlement Acts in the Irrigable Districts, and a General Review of the Finances of Closer Settlement; together with Appendices.

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

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

Land Act 1890.—Particulars of a Lease of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 85 of the *Land Act* 1890.

Land Act 1915.—Particulars of Leases of Swamp or Reclaimed Land under section 110 of the *Land Act* 1915.

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 50.

TUESDAY, 14TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Livingston presented a Petition from certain persons styling themselves the executive of the Victorian Alliance Auxiliary of Toora, praying that the House will reject the provisions contained in the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill for postponing the operation of the local option sections of the Licensing Act passed by Parliament in 1906.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915.—Part VIII.—Statement showing the names of the Persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council.
4. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Mr. Hogan moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 51.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 52.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |
| Mr. Mackey, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Lemmon. |

Noes, 2.

Tellers.
Mr. Chatham,
Mr. McLachlan.

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

Ordered—That the Bill be considered in Committee this day.

3. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—LICENCE FEES.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the fees to be paid under the Licensing Acts for the licences mentioned in section seven of the *Licensing Act* 1915.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—

Resolved—

1. That the fees to be paid under the Licensing Acts for the licences mentioned in section seven of the *Licensing Act* 1915 respectively shall be as follows :—

For any of such licences, other than those for which special provision is hereinafter made the fee shall be equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June (or in the case of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, the last day of September) preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of the licence was purchased for the premises or (in the case of a packet licence) the vessel in respect of which such grant or renewal is sought :

For a temporary victualler's licence or a temporary packet licence—One pound, and a further fee equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable for all liquor purchased for sale or disposal under such licence :

For a spirit merchant's licence—Twenty-five pounds per annum, and (where such spirit merchant is not the holder of a grocer's licence) a further fee equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable by the licensee for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June (or in the case of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, the last day of September) preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of such licence was sold or disposed of under such licence to persons other than persons licensed to sell liquor :

For a grocer's licence—A fee which, together with the fees payable in respect of the spirit merchant's licence held in connexion therewith, is equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable by the licensee for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June (or in the case of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, the last day of September) preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of the grocer's licence was sold or disposed of under the said licences to persons other than persons licensed to sell liquor; but so that the fees payable for the said licences shall not be less than Twenty-six pounds in all :

For a vigneron's licence—Five pounds per annum :

For a brewer's licence—One pound per annum :

For a billiard-table licence—Five pounds per table per annum for any number of tables not greater than four on any licensed premises; and for any number of tables greater than four, Twenty pounds per annum for the whole of such tables.

2. That in respect of the grant or renewal of the registration of a club the fee to be paid under the Licensing Acts shall be a fee equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable for all liquor purchased by or for such club during the twelve months ended on the last day of June (or in the case of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, the last day of September) preceding the date of the application for registration.

3. That the amount of the fee to be paid under sub-section (3) of section one hundred and sixteen of the *Licensing Act* 1915 shall be Ten pounds.

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

4. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Manufacture and Sale of Footwear and for other purposes*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until to-morrow.

7. WATER BILL.—The following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

Water Bill.—Consideration of Report.

Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for the reconsideration of clause 3.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Clause 13, line 21, omit the words “on one side.”

Mr. Snowball, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

A. (1) In purchasing or obtaining any goods machinery or material the Authority shall give effective and substantial preference to goods machinery or material manufactured or produced in the Commonwealth.

(2) If goods machinery or material manufactured or produced in the Commonwealth cannot be purchased or can only be purchased in insufficient quantities or of a quality unsuitable for the work the Authority shall give substantial and effective preference to goods machinery or material produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom as against those of foreign manufacture.

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 11 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 52.

THURSDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 11 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
4. BALANCE-SHEETS OF COMMERCIAL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE STATE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That there be laid before this House the balance-sheets, as at 30th June, 1916, of Commercial and Other Activities of the State, and certified as correct by the Auditor-General.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. PAPER.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Balance-sheets of Commercial and Other Activities of the State.—Return to the foregoing Order.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 53.

TUESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Health Acts.—Amendment of the Food Standard Regulations 1916.—Regulations and Standards for Foods and Drugs.
Mines Act 1915.—By-laws rescinded and By-laws substituted.—Order in Council.
3. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Sale of Fungicides, Insecticides, Vermin Destroyers, and Weed Destroyers, and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Presentments in Criminal Cases, and matters preliminary, incidental, or similar thereto,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in the said Bill, and have disagreed with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the Second Schedule but have substituted a new rule in lieu thereof, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Transfer of Land Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not now insist on their amendment in clause 5 but have made a further amendment in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to extend the Operation of and to amend the 'Wheat Marketing Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Building By-laws of the City of Melbourne,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Heatherton Sanatorium,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

9. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 54.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. TECHNICAL SCHOOLS—NUMBER OF, STUDENTS ATTENDING, COST OF BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT, AND ANNUAL COST OF.—Mr. Leckie moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The junior technical schools established up to 30th June, 1916, with date of opening in each case.
 2. The number of day pupils in attendance at each junior technical school for each term of each of the financial years 1912-13, 1913-14, 1914-15, and 1915-16.
 3. The total cost of buildings and equipment provided for each junior technical school up to 30th June, 1916. If no separate building exists, the cost of the buildings and equipment used by the junior technical school day students.
 4. The total annual cost under items Maintenance, Building, Salaries, Equipment, Apparatus, Miscellaneous, &c., for each of the junior technical schools for the financial years 1912-13, 1913-14, 1914-15, and 1915-16 respectively, and the estimate for the present year.
 5. The total number of individual senior technical students attending trade, science, and art classes at each senior technical school for the financial years 1911-12, 1912-13, 1913-14, 1914-15, and 1915-16.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Country Roads Act 1915'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. TRANSFER OF LAND BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they do not now insist on their amendment in clause 5, but have made a further amendment in the said clause, having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clause 5, line 19, after "land" add "Provided that a reference shall be made on the form in the said Third Schedule to the registry number of the Crown grant containing such reservations exceptions conditions and powers." | } Disagreed with by Assembly.—Insisted on by Council.—Disagreement insisted on by Assembly.—Not now insisted on by Council, but the following amendment made in the clause:—Omit sub-clause (2). |
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Mr. Lawson moved, That this House agree to the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit sub-clause (2) of clause 5.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

| Ayes, 37. | | Noes, 17. | |
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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Chatham, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, | Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. McPherson, | Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Membrey, | Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Blackburn, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Menzies, | Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Mitchell, | Mr. Plain, | |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Oman, | | |
| Mr. Farthing, | Sir Alexander Peacock, | | |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Pennington, | | |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Rouget, | | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Toutcher. | | |
| Mr. Johnstone, | | | |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. J. Gray, | | |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Keast. | | |
| Mr. Mackey, | | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Amendment agreed to.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Council to omit sub-clause (2) of clause 5 of such Bill.

5. **FUNGICIDES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council transmitting a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending an amendment in this Bill having been read, His Excellency's Message was read and is as follows:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Council the following amendment which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to regulate the Sale of Fungicides, Insecticides, Vermin Destroyers, and Weed Destroyers, and for other purposes*":—

In clause 15 omit the words "*Agricultural Journal*" substitute "*Journal of the Department of Agriculture of Victoria.*"

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 15th November, 1916.

On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendment.

6. **LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

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

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

8. **STATE WAR COUNCIL BILL.**—On the motion of Mr. Membrey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 4 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 55.

THURSDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FYANSFORD DISTRICT CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the district of Fyansford by means of a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway with the existing railway system; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. PAPER.—Mr. H. McKenzie presented—
Railway Department.—Officers and Employees of "Known Ability" appointed during 1915-16.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 10th November, 1916.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
5. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House having been read—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments.
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration to-morrow.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA,

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 56.

TUESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 19.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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. :—

- “ *An Act to extend the Operation of and to amend the ‘ Wheat Marketing Act 1915.’* ”
- “ *An Act relating to Building By-laws of the City of Melbourne.* ”
- “ *An Act relating to the Heatherton Sanatorium.* ”
- “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Transfer of Land Act 1915.’* ”
- “ *An Act to regulate the Sale of Fungicides, Insecticides, Vermin Destroyers, and Weed Destroyers, and for other purposes.* ”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 27th November, 1916.

3. BANK DIVIDENDS AND RESERVE FUNDS.—Mr. Prendergast moved pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The dividends for the past five years paid by the banks furnishing returns under Part I. of the *Banks and Currency Act 1915*, giving percentage and total sums for each bank and each year separately.
 2. The amount by which reserve funds were increased, and total of reserve funds each year during the same periods.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1915.—Part VII.—Accumulation.
Mr. Hutchinson presented—
Geelong District—Pay Offices, Crown Tenants, Crown Lands available, and Land Boards.—
Return to an Order of the House, dated 9th November, 1916.

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 :—

- Coal Mines Regulation Act 1915.—State Coal Mines.—Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines to the Honorable H. McKenzie, M.P., Minister of Railways for Victoria; including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet, and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1915–16.
- Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1916.
- Public Works Loan Application Act 1911—
Balance-sheets and Statements of Accounts of the undermentioned Cool Stores; together with the Reports of the Managing Officers on the Operations of the Stores, for the financial year 1915–16 :—
Burwood East Fruit Cool Store.
Diamond Creek Fruit Cool Store.
Victoria Dock Cool Stores.

5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—BREWER'S LICENCE-FEE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider the fee to be paid under the Licensing Acts for a brewer's licence.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—
Resolved—That the fee to be paid under the Licensing Acts for a brewer's licence shall be One pound per annum, and a further fee equal to the sum of four per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable by the licensee for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June (or in the case of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, the last day of September) preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of such licence was sold or disposed of under such licence to persons other than persons licensed to sell liquor.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
7. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the day for the consideration of the Report having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House in this Bill be agreed to.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House, after debate, agreed to the following amendments in this Bill :—
Clause 4, line 3, before the figure “(1)” insert the figures “19.”
“ page 3, paragraph (f), line 21, after the word “annum” insert the words “and a further fee equal to the sum of four per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable by the licensee for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of such licence was sold or disposed of under such licence to persons other than persons licensed to sell liquor.”
Mr. Prendergast moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—
Clause 4, page 3, paragraph (g), line 22, omit the words “Five pounds” and insert the words “One pound.”
Debate ensued.
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put and resolved in the affirmative.
On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House, after debate, agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—
Clause 4, page 4, paragraph (b), sub-paragraph (i), line 19, omit the word “June” and insert the word “September.”
Clause 9, page 6, sub-section (4), line 7, after the word “paid” insert the words “whether before or after the coming into operation of this Part.”
Clause 10, sub-section (1), paragraph (a), lines 22–3, after the word “liquor” omit the words “of each of the various kinds.”
“ sub-section (1), paragraph (b), line 29, after the word “such” omit the words “various kinds of.”
“ sub-section (3), line 35, before the word “or” insert the words “an Australian wine licence a brewer's licence.”
Clause 23, page 12, paragraph (a), line 5, after the word “supplied” insert the letter “(i)”; and after the word “or” insert the letters and words “(ii) from any.”
Mr. Robertson moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—
Clause 23, page 12, paragraph (a), line 6, before the word “kept” insert the word “then.”
Debate ensued.
Question—That the word proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and negatived.
On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—
Clause S, page 12, sub-section (1), line 42, after the word “notice” insert the words “in writing.”
“ page 13, sub-section (2), line 3, after the word “shall” insert the word “forthwith.”

Mr. Lawson moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause Q, page 13, sub-section (2), lines 14-17, omit all words after the word "thereto" to the end of the sub-section.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. Toutcher moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause Q, omit this clause.

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. Keast, | |

Noes, 29.

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| Mr. Baird, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Sir Alexander Peacock |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Leckie, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Rogers. |
| Mr. McLeod, | |

And so it passed in the negative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the further consideration of amendments after third reading of this Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Gaols Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Water Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 28th November, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 57.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. FINES UNDER DAIRY, HEALTH (PURE FOOD), FACTORIES, AND WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACTS.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return up to the 30th September, 1916, in continuation of the return furnished in 1915, showing separately all fines imposed under (a) The Dairy Supervision Act; (b) The pure food provisions of the Health Act; (c) The Factories and Shops Act; (d) The Weights and Measures Act, specifying—

| Name of Person or Firm fined. | Nature of Offence. | Amount of Fine. | Locality where Offence committed. |
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Together with totals and with summary of offences, fines, &c., under each Act, as furnished on page 2 of the return presented to this House on the 30th November, 1915.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. PAPER.—Mr. McLeod presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1915.—Part VIII.—Social Condition.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Bailey rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The allegations by the Press relating to the alleged disloyalty of a part of the Port Fairy State Electorate and the alleged attempt to hang the chairman of a public meeting."
Mr. Speaker having ascertained that twelve Members approved of the proposed discussion—
Mr. Bailey moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and negatived.
5. WATER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
1. Clause 6, line 30, after "act" insert "or omission."
 2. " " line 33, after "act" insert "or omission."
 3. Clause 15, line 43, after "Kingdom" insert "or in any British Dominion."
- And the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

6. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of amendments after third reading of this Bill having been read—

Mr. Prendergast moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 32, sub-section (1), paragraph (d), line 11, omit the word "Eight" and insert the word "Six."

Debate ensued.

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

Ayes, 28.

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| Mr. Baird, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Snowball. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. Toutcher. |

Noes, 22.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Webber. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 38, sub-section (1), line 42, at the end of the sub-section insert the words "and after the words 'temporary licences' there shall be inserted the words 'Mallee victuallers' licences and billiard-table licences.'"

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

Clause 39, paragraph (e), lines 37–38, after the word "licensed" omit the word "victuallers'."

Clause 40, sub-section (2), line 13, after the word "ninety-six" insert the words "of the Principal Act."

„ sub-section (3), line 15, after the word "hundred" insert the words "of the Principal Act."

„ sub-section (4), line 21, at the end of the sub-section insert the words "and after the words 'by a returning officer' there shall be inserted the words 'or deputy returning officer'; and in paragraph (f) of the said section for the words 'separate box' there shall be inserted the words 'ballot-box.'"

Clause 41, paragraph (c), page 19, line 15, after the word "renewed" insert the words "Provided that notwithstanding anything in the Licensing Acts the holder of the licence may before the expiry of the licence apply for and if not otherwise disqualified be granted a transfer of another licence."

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

Clause 12, paragraph (a), line 12, omit the word "one-third" and insert the word "three-eighths."

Clause 42, paragraph (a), line 33, omit the word "one-third" and insert the word "three-eighths."

„ paragraph (b), line 39, omit the word "two-thirds" and insert the word "five-eighths."

Mr. A. F. Cameron moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 46, page 22, sub-section (8), line 32, at the end of the sub-section insert the following words :—"but if at the time of the passing of this Act there are two Australian wine licences in existence in the proclaimed area the Board may grant two victuallers' licences in the said area."

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. A. F. Cameron moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 46, page 23, line 16, at the end of the clause add the following sub-section :—

"(13) The licensing court in granting any Mallee victualler's licence shall (other things being equal) give preference to premises for which there is an Australian wine licence in force at the time of the passing of this Act."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the sub-section proposed to be added be so added—put and negatived.

Mr. Blackburn moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 47, sub-section (1), omit this sub-section.

Debate ensued.

Question—That sub-section (1) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The House divided.

| Ayes, 29. | | Noes, 23. |
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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Angus, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Baird, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Sir Alexander Peacock, | Mr. J. W. Billson, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Pennington, | Mr. Blackburn, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Chatham, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Robertson, | Mr. Deany, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Downward, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Keast, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Toutcher, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Webber. | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Hannah, | | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Jewell, | | |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. J. Gray, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. | Mr. Campbell, |
| | | Mr. Lemmon. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Rouget moved, That the following further amendment be made in this Bill :—

Clause 47, at the end of the clause add the following sub-section :—

“(3) Notwithstanding anything in this section or in Part XIII. of the Principal Act as amended by this Act a general poll of electors for the Legislative Assembly shall be taken in the manner prescribed by the regulations at the general election next following the termination of the present war to ascertain the opinion by a majority vote of the said electors as to whether—

- (1) the number of licences existing in every licensing district should continue ;
- (2) the number of licences existing in every licensing district should be reduced ;
- (3) no licences should be granted in any district :

Provided that if less than a majority of votes be given for resolution (3) the number given shall be added to those in favour of resolution (2) ; and

- (4) as to what should be the earliest hour in the morning and the latest hour at night for the sale of liquor in licensed premises in Victoria.”

Debate ensued.

Question—That the sub-section proposed to be added be so added—put and negatived.

Mr. Blackburn offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

A. (1) Any person who in any licensed premises or club either on his own behalf or as servant or agent of any other person sells or supplies any liquor to any person to be drunk on the premises unless the liquor is ordered and paid for by the person supplied shall be liable to a penalty of not less than Two pounds nor more than Five pounds.

(2) Any person who in any licensed premises or club orders or pays for or lends or advances money to pay for any liquor sold or supplied to any other person to be drunk on the premises shall be liable to a penalty of not less than Two pounds nor more than Five pounds.

(3) Any person who in any licensed premises or club consumes any liquor which any other person has paid for or agreed to pay for or lent or advanced money to pay for shall be liable to a penalty of not less than Two pounds nor more than Five pounds :

Provided always that if such liquor is sold or supplied to be drunk at a meal supplied at the same time and is drunk at such meal the provisions of this section shall not be deemed to have been contravened if the person who pays for such meal also pays for such liquor.

Mr. Blackburn moved, That new clause A be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

| Ayes, 10. | | Noes, 37. |
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| Mr. Baird, | Mr. D. Smith, | Mr. Bailey, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Snowball. | Mr. Barnes, |
| Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | | Mr. A. A. Billson, |
| Mr. Membrey, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. J. W. Billson, |
| Mr. Menzies, | Mr. Campbell, | Mr. A. F. Cameron, |
| Mr. Rouget, | Mr. McGregor. | Mr. J. Cameron, |
| | | Mr. Carlisle, |
| | | Mr. Clough, |
| | | Mr. Cotter, |
| | | Mr. Deany, |
| | | Mr. Downward, |
| | | Mr. Farrer, |
| | | Mr. Farthing, |
| | | Mr. Hannah, |
| | | Mr. Hogan, |
| | | Mr. Jewell, |
| | | Mr. Keast, |
| | | Mr. Lawson, |
| | | Mr. Leckie, |
| | | Mr. Livingston, |
| | | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| | | Mr. McLachlan, |
| | | Mr. McLeod, |
| | | Mr. Mitchell, |
| | | Mr. Oman, |
| | | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| | | Mr. Pennington, |
| | | Mr. Prendergast, |
| | | Mr. Robertson, |
| | | Mr. Rogers, |
| | | Mr. Sinclair, |
| | | Mr. Solly, |
| | | Mr. Toutcher, |
| | | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| | | Mr. Webber. |
| | | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. J. Gray, |
| | | Mr. Lemmon. |

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Blackburn offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

D. In section two hundred and ninety-seven of the Principal Act for the words “ three-fifths at least ” wherever occurring there shall be substituted the words “ a majority.”

Mr. Blackburn moved, That new clause D be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. Carlisle offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

E. Nothing in the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1915* or the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1916* contained shall be held to prevent the sale or disposal or supply of liquor on the premises of any railway refreshment room licensee at any railway station to any person travelling by any train conveying passengers from the arrival of such train at the station until its departure but not longer than for a period of twenty minutes after such arrival. Save as expressly provided in this section nothing in this section shall make lawful anything which would have been a contravention of any of the provisions of the Licensing Acts or this Act if this section had not passed.

Mr. Carlisle moved, That new clause E be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Farrer, | |
| Mr. Farthing, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Rogers. |

Noes, 19.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Hogan, |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Membrey, | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—New clause A read a second time.

Mr. Toutcher moved, as an amendment, That the words “ not less than twenty miles from Melbourne ” be inserted after the word “ station, ” in line 3 of the clause.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the further consideration of amendments after third reading of this Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 58.

THURSDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until Thursday, 21st December next.
3. COMPULSORY VACCINATION ABOLITION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—
Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Thursday, 21st December next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, No. 4 be postponed until Thursday, 21st December next, No. 5 until to-morrow, and No. 6 until Thursday, 14th December next.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McGregor moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 20.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |

Noes, 23.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Mackey, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Downward, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Rouget. |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | |
| Mr. Johnstone, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Keast, | |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Pennington. |

And so it passed in the negative.

6. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of amendments after third reading of this Bill having been read :—

Mr. D. Smith offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

F. For section two hundred and seven of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following section :—

“ 207. (1) From and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and seventeen save as provided by this section no female shall be employed in any capacity or permitted to serve in any capacity in or about the bar of any licensed premises at any time while the bar is open for the sale of liquor.

(2) If any licensed person commits a breach of the provisions of this section he shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds for every day on which the offence is committed.

(3) Nothing in this section shall apply to the employment or service of—

- (a) the wife sister or daughter of the licensee of the premises ;
- (b) the licensee, being a woman ; or
- (c) any person duly registered as a barmaid under this Act.

(4) Every person who at any time within one year before the passing of this Act has been employed as a barmaid in any licensed premises for a continuous period of not less than three months shall be entitled to be registered as a barmaid under this Act if application for registration is made by her in accordance with this Act and the regulations made thereunder on or before the first day of February One thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

(5) An application for registration under this section shall be made by the applicant in writing to the Secretary for Labour at Melbourne and shall be accompanied by a statutory declaration (which shall be exempt from stamp duty) setting out the facts on which the applicant founds her claim to be registered.

(6) The Secretary for Labour shall keep a register in which he shall enter the names of all persons registered as barmaids under this Act together with such other particulars as may be prescribed or as he may think fit.

(7) So soon as practicable after the completion of the said register and thereafter from time to time as he thinks fit the Secretary for Labour shall publish in the *Government Gazette* a list of persons so registered and a copy of the *Gazette* shall be sufficient evidence that the persons therein named are duly registered as barmaids under this Act and that any person who is not therein named is not so registered.

(8) The Secretary for Labour shall from time to time amend the register by striking off the names of all persons who have died or who have been registered in error or who have ceased for a period of not less than two years to be employed as barmaids in any licensed premises.

(9) The Governor in Council may from time to time by Order in Council make regulations as to the mode of such registration and any other regulations which he deems necessary for carrying into full effect the provisions of this section.”

Mr. D. Smith moved, That new clause F be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

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| Mr. Baird, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Cotter, } | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> } |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Jewell. |

Noes, 11.

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| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Rogers. |
| Mr. Carlisle, | |
| Mr. Farthing, | |
| Mr. Keast, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Toutcher. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. —New clause F read a second time.

Mr. Rogers moved, as an amendment, That the words “ within one year,” in line 1 of sub-section (4), be omitted from the clause.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Mr. Hogan offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

H. (1) Any lessee of any licensed premises who has paid or tendered all rent due and payable under his lease may apply to the Licences Reduction Board to have the fair rent of such licensed premises determined by the Board.

In this sub-section "lessee" includes assignee of a lessee and under-lessee; "lease" includes under-lease.

(2) The application shall be made to the Secretary of the Board and shall be in the form prescribed by the Board.

(3) A copy of the application shall be delivered to the lessor and the mortgagee (if any) of the licensed premises who shall be entitled to be parties to the proceedings.

(4) The Board shall hear the application and determine the fair rent. In all cases the rent so determined shall be the rent of the licensed premises from the commencement of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1916*.

(5) In determining the fair rent the Board shall take into account—

- (a) the amount of profits earned by any lessee or occupier of the licensed premises in the three years preceding the application;
- (b) the actual or probable effect upon the profits earned by such lessee or occupier of any change in the laws of the State or the Commonwealth relating to taxation or to the sale of liquor;
- (c) the actual or probable effect upon such profits of any reduction of licences of other licensed premises;
- (d) the capital improved value of the licensed premises. For the purposes of this sub-section the words "capital improved value" shall have the meaning assigned to them by the *Land Tax Act 1915*; and
- (e) such other circumstances as in the Board's opinion should equitably be considered in determining the fair rent.

Mr. Hogan moved, That new clause H be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 18.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Farthing, | |
| Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Webber. |

Noes, 26.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Keast, | |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Pennington. |

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. D. Smith offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

M. No licensee shall keep his licensed premises open for the sale of liquor or permit the same to be consumed on the premises upon any day upon which any election of Members of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly is being held during the hours when votes may be recorded at such election :

Provided that in the case of a by-election this provision shall apply only to licensed premises situate within the electorate in respect of which such by-election is being held.

Mr. D. Smith moved, That new clause M be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Mr. Toutcher offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

N. (1) Where in any licensed premises *bonâ fide* meals have before the passing of this Act been habitually supplied to customers or in the premises of any registered club supplied to members of the club, a licensing court for the district consisting of one licensing magistrate may on the application of the licensee or (as the case may be) the secretary of the club grant with respect to such licensed premises or club premises a permit to such licensee or secretary for the sale disposal or supply of liquor for consumption with *bonâ fide* meals in accordance with the provisions of this section and may at any time revoke any such permit.

(2) The operation of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1916* shall not be held to prevent the sale or disposal or supply of liquor on any licensed premises or club premises with respect to which a permit under this section has been granted and is in force to any person or member of a club (as the case may be) for consumption with a *bonâ fide* meal from the hour of six o'clock in the evening until such time not being later than eight o'clock in the evening as is specified in the permit :

Provided that the meal is not being served and the liquor is not sold disposed of supplied or consumed in any bar or other part of the licensed premises or club premises except in the dining room thereof in which meals are usually served : Provided further that the door or doors of such dining room are not locked or kept locked between the hours of six o'clock and eight o'clock in the evening.

(3) Save as expressly provided in this section nothing in this section shall make lawful anything which would have been a contravention of any of the provisions of the Licensing Acts or the last-mentioned Act if this section had not passed.

Mr. Toutcher moved, That new clause N be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

| Ayes, 24. | | Noes, 18. | |
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| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Angus, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, | Mr. Clough, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Mitchell, | Mr. Cotter, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Sir Alexander Peacock, | Mr. Deany, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Robertson, | Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Hutchinson, | |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Solly, | Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Toutcher. | Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Gordon, | | Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. Keast, | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. J. Gray, | | |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Rogers. | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—New clause N read a second time.

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

Mr. Prendergast offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

U. In the event of any person employed in a hotel on the date the hour of closing of hotels was changed from half-past nine o'clock at night to six o'clock at night being able to prove to the satisfaction of the licensing court that he or she has lost employment through such change in the hours of closing and such person has no reasonable probability of obtaining employment then the court may award from the Licensing Fund to such person an amount as may be deemed desirable, provided such sum may not in any one case be more than three months' wages at the rate paid to the claimant at the time of dismissal.

Mr. Prendergast moved, That new clause U be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

| Ayes, 18. | | Noes, 23. | |
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| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Bayles, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. D. Smith, | Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Solly, | Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Warde. | Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Hannah, | | Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Lemmon, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, | Mr. Keast, | |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Webber. | Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Livingston, | |
| | | Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| | | Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Pennington. |

And so it passed in the negative.

Mr. Sinclair offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

V. Notwithstanding anything herein contained when in the opinion of the Board serious loss has been sustained by the reduction of the hours of trading which loss will not be fully compensated for under the other provisions of this Act the Board may assess an amount as compensation from the Licensing Fund for such loss so unprovided for and any sum so assessed may be paid out of moneys from the Licensing Fund or in such other manner as may be hereafter decided.

Mr. Sinclair moved, That new clause V be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

| Ayes, 19. | | Noes, 24. | |
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| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Angus, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Bayles, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. D. Smith, | Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Solly, | Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Warde, | Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Webber. | Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Jewell, | | Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Lemmon, | | Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. McGregor, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Downward, | Mr. Robertson. |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Toutcher, | Mr. Hutchinson, | |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. | Mr. Johnstone, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Keast, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| | | Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Pennington. |

And so it passed in the negative.

On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, the House agreed to the following further amendments in this Bill :—

First Schedule, Part A, page 24, after the word and figures “(No. 2584)” insert the words “At the end of paragraph (b) of section 2 the word ‘and’ shall be repealed.”

„ page 25, omit the words “words ‘fees’” insert the words “word ‘fees’; and.”

„ page 25, after the word “basis” omit the word “and.”

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

Second Schedule, page 25, paragraph (d)—

After the word “lease” insert the words “or reduce the maximum term thereof” and at the end of the paragraph insert the words “which directly or indirectly limits any lease (whatever the maximum term thereof) or any estate or interest to continue as long only as the lessee or the party entitled to such estate or interest or any person claiming through or under or on behalf of such lessee or party abstains from claiming or obtaining any relief under this section, or”; and at the end of the said paragraph (c) of sub-section (6) there were inserted the words “With respect to any lease or agreement relating to licensed premises section twenty-four of the *Conveyancing Act 1915* shall be read and construed as if in the said section the words ‘unless the lease contains an expressed provision to the contrary’ had from the commencement of the *Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act 1916* been repealed.”

Second Schedule, page 26, sub-paragraph (i), after the words “reference also” insert the words “to a transferee or assignee of the occupier or.”

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

7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 14 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 59.

FRIDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. ARDMONA AND WYUNA DISTRICTS CONNECTING RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting the districts of Ardmona and Wyuna by means of a railway or railways with the existing railway system; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. RAILWAY DEPARTMENT—GAS MANTLES OF BRITISH MAKE AND FOREIGN MAKE SUPPLIED TO.—Mr. J. W. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The number of (Upright) "C" gas mantles branded "Afas," "Glasmi," or "Glasmi-Hill" supplied to the Railway Department by Allen, Fergusson, and Sewell, of Melbourne, during the past six months, and the prices paid.
 2. The number of these mantles which were British-made, and the number foreign-made.
 3. The country of origin of the foreign mantles.
 4. The proportion of German raw material contained in these mantles.
 5. The reasons for not buying British-made gas mantles, instead of the foreign ones.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. WHEAT POOL—DIVIDENDS, PRICES RECEIVED, AND QUANTITIES SOLD AND REMAINING.—Mr. Toutcher moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. If there is to be any further dividend to the farmers from the original wheat pool; if so, approximately how much, and when.
 2. The price received per bushel of the wheat already disposed of.
 3. How much per bushel the farmers have received.
 4. How the difference between the amount realized and that paid to the farmers has been distributed.
 5. The quantity sold, and the quantity remaining at present for sale.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. SUPPLY.—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply the following resolution :—

Resolved—That a sum not exceeding £672,061 be granted to His Majesty on account for or towards defraying the following services for the year 1916-17, viz. :—

| Division No. | £ |
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| 1. Legislative Council—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 96 |
| 2. Legislative Assembly—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 821 |
| 3. Parliamentary Standing Committee—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 92 |
| 4. Refreshment Rooms—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 176 |
| 5. The Library—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 72 |
| 6. The Library, State Parliament House—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 100 |
| 7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 340 |
| 8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 974 |
| 9. " " Pensions, &c. | 5,753 |
| 11. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 385 |
| 12. Explosives—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 367 |
| 13. State Accident Insurance Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 160 |
| 14. Fisheries and Game—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 289 |
| 15. Government Shorthand Writer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 114 |
| 16. The Governor's Office—Ordinary Expenditure | 29 |
| 17. Herbarium—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 96 |
| 18. Inebriates Institution—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 271 |
| 19. Marine Board—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 346 |
| 20. Mercantile Marine—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 60 |
| 21. Observatory—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 242 |
| 22. Premier's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 309 |
| 23. Training Ship—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 792 |
| 25. Audit Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,141 |
| 26. Government Statist—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,386 |
| 27. Hospitals for the Insane—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... .. | 33,583 |
| 28. Neglected Children, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 18,011 |
| 29. Penal and Gaols—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 4,949 |
| 30. Police—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 29,482 |
| 31. Public Library, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,112 |
| 32. Public Service Commissioner—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 290 |
| 33. Department of Labour—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,104 |
| 34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 85,000 |
| 35. " Pensions, &c. | 61 |
| 36. " Works and Buildings | 1,500 |
| 37. " Endowments and Grants | 120 |
| 39. Law Department—Salaries | 532 |
| 40. Crown Solicitor—Salaries | 518 |
| 41. Prothonotary—Salaries | 123 |
| 42. Master-in-Equity, &c.—Salaries | 294 |
| 43. Registrar-General, &c.—Salaries | 3,023 |
| 44. Sheriff—Salaries | 270 |
| 45. Comptroller of Stamps, &c.—Salaries | 238 |
| 46. " " Salaries (exempt officers) | 500 |
| 47. Pensions, &c. (Attorney-General)... .. | 18 |
| 48. Ordinary Expenditure (Attorney-General) | 1,000 |
| 49. Solicitor-General—Salaries | 4,206 |
| 50. " " Ordinary Expenditure | 1,500 |
| 52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,436 |
| 53. " Transport, &c. | 334 |
| 54. " Unforeseen Expenditure | 333 |
| 55. " Allowances to Railway Department | 1,167 |
| 56. " Grants | 35,000 |
| 57. " Pensions, &c. | 35 |
| 58. " Exceptional Expenditure | 2,000 |
| 60. Income Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,394 |
| 61. Land Tax—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,248 |
| 62. Death Duties Branch—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 94 |
| 63. Curator—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 404 |
| 64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 7,464 |
| 65. " " Exceptional Expenditure | 75 |
| 66. " " Advertising | 100 |
| 67. Survey, &c., Crown Lands—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 7,239 |
| 68. Immigration and Labour Bureau—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure ... | 1,174 |
| 69. Public Parks, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 33 |
| 70. " " Grants | 600 |
| 71. Botanic, &c., Gardens—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 795 |
| 72. Extirpation of Rabbits, &c.—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,056 |
| 74. Exceptional Expenditure | 274 |
| 75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,974 |

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| 76. Ports and Harbors—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,487 |
| 79. Public Works—Works and Buildings | 2,550 |
| 82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 2,178 |
| 83. „ Furtherance of Mining Industry | 2,550 |
| 86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 7,117 |
| 88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission | 9,750 |
| 89. Agriculture, Administrative—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 721 |
| 90. „ Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 5,024 |
| 92. Stock and Dairy—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 1,814 |
| 93. Export Development—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 3,062 |
| 94. Public Health—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure... .. | 15,652 |
| 96. Railways—Working Expenses, &c. | 323,941 |
| 97. „ Pensions | 2,023 |
| 98. „ Railway Construction Branch | 496 |
| 99. State Coal Mine | 21,612 |
| Total | £672,061 |

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

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

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

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

9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1916-17 the sum of £672,061 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McLeod do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

10. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy-two thousand and sixty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

11. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 60.

TUESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 20.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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. :—

“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Gaols Act 1915.’* ”
“ *An Act to amend the ‘ Water Act 1915.’* ”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 4th December, 1916.

3. RAILWAY DEPARTMENT—RELATIVE COST OF WORK BY BUTTY-GANG, DAY-LABOUR, AND PRIVATE CONTRACT SYSTEMS RESPECTIVELY.—Mr. J. W. Billson moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—

1. The relative cost of constructing railway carriages and “Z” vans by the butty-gang and day-labour systems respectively, showing separately the administrative costs in each case.
2. The relative cost of constructing 15-ton trucks and “DD” and “A2” engines by day labour and private contract respectively.
3. The relative cost of the repair work performed at the tarpaulin shop, Newport, by the butty-gang and day-labour systems respectively, showing separately the administrative costs in each case.
4. The relative cost of any work other than specified in 1, 2, and 3 that is performed under the butty-gang system or private contract, as well as by day labour, showing separately the administrative costs in each case.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. PAPERS.—Mr. H. McKenzie presented—

Railway Department—Comparative Statement of Fares and Freights on Country Lines in Victoria, New South Wales, and South Australia, 1914–15 and 1915–16.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 10th November, 1916.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Supreme Court Act 1915.—Rules of the Supreme Court of the State of Victoria, 1916.

5. METROPOLITAN GAS COMPANY'S ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend ‘ The Metropolitan Gas Company’s Act 1878 ’ and for other purposes* ”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

6. MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET LANDS BILL.—Mr. Hutchinson obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make further and better provision for the Melbourne General Market and to extend the Area thereof and to provide for the closing of portions of certain Streets in the City of Melbourne and for re-vesting in the Crown certain Lands in the said City and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 13 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow, and the Order of the Day, General Business, until Thursday, 21st December instant.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 61.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. WILLS (SOLDIERS') BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to the Disposition of the Real Estate of Persons engaged on War Service*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
3. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council:—
MR. SPEAKER,
The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy-two thousand and sixty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
Legislative Council, JNO. M. DAVIES,
Melbourne, 5th December, 1916. President.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 62.

 THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPERS.—Mr. Hutchinson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 Land Acts.—Report for the financial year ended 30th June, 1916 ; with Appendices.
 Mr. H. McKenzie presented—
 Railway Department—Gas Mantles of British Make and Foreign Make supplied to.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 1st December, 1916.
 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 :—
 Crimes Act 1915 and Indeterminate Sentences Act 1915.—Regulations as to Indeterminate Sentences.—Order in Council.
 Education Act 1915.—Regulation rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Clause 2 (c) of Regulation XI.—Primary Teacher's Certificate—First Class.—Order in Council.
 Fisheries Act 1915—
 Notice of Intention to prohibit Netting, &c., in Bancroft Bay, in the Gippsland Lakes.
 Notice of Intention to prohibit the Paddocking, &c., of Fish in certain Waters.
 Notice of Intention to prohibit all Fishing in portion of Mackenzie River, near Wartook Reservoir.
 Notice of Intention to prohibit Fishing in portion of the Mitta Mitta or Big River, Parish of Bingo-Munjie North, until 31st October, 1917.
 Notice of Intention *re* prohibition of Netting in Lady Bay, Warrnambool.
 Notice of Intention *re* prohibition of Netting at the Mouth of the Merri River, Warrnambool.
 Libraries Act 1915—Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria.—Rules and Regulations.
 Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915.—Regulations.—Lunacy Department.—Chapter II.—Appointment and Promotion in the General Division ; Chapter III.—Classification of the General Division.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That leave of absence for the Session be granted to William Kennedy Smith, Esq., the Honorable Member for Dundas.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Acts*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Venereal Diseases and to amend Part V. of the 'Police Offences Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 6th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 16 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

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No. 63.

FRIDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ending 30th September, 1916.
3. WAR CONTRIBUTIONS BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ War Expenditure and Overdrafts Act 1914’ and to validate certain Investments by Municipalities in Commonwealth War Loans* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 17 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

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No. 64.

TUESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1916.

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

2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 21.

The Governor informs the Legislative Assembly 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. :—

“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and seventy-two thousand and sixty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen and One thousand nine hundred and seventeen.”

“An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Acts.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 11th December, 1916.

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

Friendly Societies—Thirty-eighth Annual Report on.—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1915, to which are appended Valuations of Societies, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.

Geelong Harbor Trust Act 1915.—Accounts of the Geelong Harbor Trust Commissioners to 31st December, 1915.

4. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Distribution of the Estates of Persons dying Intestate*,” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 7th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

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

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

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No. 65.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RAILWAY DEPARTMENT—"NECESSARY AUTOMATIC INCREMENTS" PAID TO OFFICERS DURING 1916-17.—Mr. Snowball moved, pursuant to *amended* notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the "necessary automatic increments" paid during the current financial year by the Railways Commissioners to all officers receiving from £250 a year, forming part of the sum of £44,000 increase in expenditure mentioned in the Treasurer's Statement on the Budget, specifying number of officers, salary (£250 to £300, £300 to £350, and so on), and increase.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—Mr. H. McKenzie presented, pursuant to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly agreed to on the 17th October, 1905—
Government Contracts—Encouragement of Australian Manufacturers and Producers.—Return of Machinery, Goods, and Material manufactured or produced outside the Commonwealth, and purchased for the use of the Railway Department during the period from 1st July, 1915, to 30th June, 1916.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS—SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—Mr. Lawson moved, pursuant to notice given by Sir Alexander Peacock, That the Sessional Orders giving precedence to Private Bill and General Business on Thursday, 17th August, and on every third Thursday thereafter during the present Session, and limiting the hour for calling on fresh business, be suspended for the remainder of the Session; that Government Business shall take precedence of all other business during each sitting day; and that fresh business may be called on at any hour.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
5. GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY'S POWERS BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Sir Alexander Peacock, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Exercise by Deputy of certain Powers and Authorities vested in the Governor*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. SUPREME COURT BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1915' with respect to the Qualifications of the Master-in-Equity*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. MASTER-IN-EQUITY'S SALARY BILL.—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend Schedule D to 'The Constitution Act' and to make provision with respect to the Salary of any Future Master-in-Equity*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 20 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

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No. 66.

THURSDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Campbell, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts (Railway Loan Application Act).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. WARANGA BASIN AND SUGARLOAF RESERVOIR.—Mr. Angus moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The area of land now supplied with water from the Waranga Basin, and the total quantity of water allotted therefor.
 2. The area of unsettled irrigable land commanded by Waranga Basin in the possession of the State, its cost, and the allotment of water proposed.
 3. The estimated cost of the Sugarloaf Reservoir, and also the cost of additions to the Waranga Basin.
 4. The estimated annual amounts which will be required for the payment of interest and sinking fund on the Sugarloaf Reservoir and the additions to the Waranga Basin respectively; also the average annual cost per acre which the total amount will entail on the existing areas and the prospective areas respectively.
 5. The estimated proportion of the interest charges, and also of the cost of main and distributing channels, to be borne by the undeveloped areas; and, further, what will be the estimated charge to such areas in connexion with interest and sinking fund of the proposed new storages.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. LANCEFIELD AND KILMORE RAILWAY BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. Hutchinson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to empower the Victorian Railways Commissioners to dismantle the Lancefield and Kilmore Railway and to sell or otherwise dispose of the said Railway and any Land or Property vested in them for the purposes thereof*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. THORNBURY LAND BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Modification of a certain Lease granted in pursuance of the 'Thornbury Land Act 1912'*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. SUPPLY.—The Order of the Day for going into the Committee of Supply having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions.
Ordered—That the Report be received to-morrow.
Mr. McGregor also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Licensing Acts*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 23 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

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No. 67.

FRIDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. RENTS PAID FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS, OFFICES, LANDS, OR QUARTERS FOR GOVERNMENT USE DURING 1915-16.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing the amounts paid or liability for rents of public buildings, offices, lands, or quarters for the use of the Government during the year ended 30th June, 1916, specifying—(a) location of rented property ; (b) rent paid ; (c) rates paid, and by whom ; (d) name of owner of property ; (e) for what purpose property was rented ; (f) term of lease or conditions of occupation.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY.—Mr. Lawson moved, pursuant to notice given by Sir Alexander Peacock, That Monday next be an additional sitting day, on which day the House shall meet at Four o'clock, that Government Business take precedence of all other business, and that fresh business may be called on at any hour.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY ABANDONMENT BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to repeal The Rosstown Junction Railway Act and The Rosstown Junction Railway Amendment Act and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Monday next.
5. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Lawson, obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Monday next.
6. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES.—Mr. Lawson moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain duties chargeable under the *Administration and Probate Act 1915*.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—
Resolved—That the estate of a settlor on which duties under Part III. of the Tenth Schedule to the *Administration and Probate Act 1915* are chargeable shall include the property comprised in any settlement made by the settlor.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Mr. Lawson and Mr. Hutchinson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

7. **ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE BILL.**—Mr. Lawson then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to amend the ‘ Administration and Probate Act 1915’* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 25 inclusive be postponed until after No. 26.
9. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. **WAYS AND MEANS—LAND TAX.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
Resolved—That, subject to the Land Tax Acts, there shall in the case of each owner of land be charged, levied, collected, and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the Consolidated Revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and seventeen, a duty of land tax upon land for every pound sterling of the unimproved value thereof at such rate as is hereinafter set forth (that is to say) :—
Where the unimproved value or total unimproved value of all land or lands of any owner exceeds Two hundred and fifty pounds the rate of tax payable thereon for the said year shall be : On every pound sterling of its unimproved value, One half-penny.
Provided that the minimum amount of land tax payable in the said year by any taxpayer assessed shall be Two shillings and sixpence.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
11. **LAND TAX BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the Year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and to amend the Land Tax Acts* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Monday next.
12. **WAYS AND MEANS.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
13. **WAYS AND MEANS—INCOME TAX.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution :—
Resolved—That the rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts and in addition to the duties of income tax under the *Income Tax Act 1914* and the *Income Tax Act 1915* and any amendment of the said Acts be charged, levied, collected, and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the Consolidated Revenue for each of the years ending on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and seventeen, the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and nineteen respectively shall be as follows (that is to say) :—
(a) On all income earned, derived, or received by any person (not being a company)—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to One thousand pounds, One penny ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Twopence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Threepence.
(b) On the income of a company (including a life assurance company) for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Threepence.
And the said resolution was read a second time and agreed to by the House.
Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.
14. **INCOME TAX BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to impose Additional Duties of Income Tax for each of the Three Years ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and nineteen and to amend the Income Tax Acts* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Monday next.

15. PAPERS.—Mr. H. McKenzie presented—

Railway Department—"Necessary Automatic Increments" paid to Officers during 1916-17.
—Return to an Order of the House, dated 13th December, 1916.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Act 1915.—Ninth Balance-sheet of the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust, as at 30th June, 1916.

16. LICENSING ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

1. Clause 4, page 3, line 24, after "payable" omit "by" and insert "to."
2. Clause 23, line 24, omit "travelling" and insert "who has travelled not less than twenty miles."
3. Clause 24, page 13, at the end of the clause add "and every door (not being a door of a bar) including the outer door by which the public obtains access to such room or place shall between such hours be kept unlocked."
4. Clause 25, at the end of the clause add "packet licence temporary packet licence or substitute packet licence."
5. Clause 27, at the end of the clause add "and every door (not being a door of a bar) including the outer door by which the public obtains access to such room or place shall between such hours be kept unlocked."
6. Clause 30, line 21, omit "passing of this Act" and insert "first day of January One thousand nine hundred and seventeen."
7. " line 25, omit "this Act" and insert "the Licensing Acts."
8. Clause 31, line 17, omit "customers" and insert "the public."
9. Add the following new clause:—

A. (1) Notwithstanding anything in any Act the provisions of sections one hundred and thirty to one hundred and forty-three of the *Police Offences Act* 1915 with respect to and so far as they relate to a house or place which is or is used as a common gaming house or place or to any house or place which is suspected upon reasonable grounds by the owner thereof to be used as aforesaid shall with such alterations modifications and substitutions as are necessary—

(a) extend and apply also to any house or place which is or is used as a house or place for the sale of liquor without a licence authorizing such sale or is suspected upon reasonable grounds by the owner thereof to be used as aforesaid; and

(b) be given effect accordingly as if re-enacted herein.

(2) For the purposes of this section in the construction of the said sections—

(a) any reference to "an officer of police" or "a superintendent or inspector of police" or "an inspector of police" shall be read and construed as if it was a reference to the inspector of the licensing district in which any such last-mentioned house or place is situate;

(b) any reference to "any instruments of gaming and any instruments of betting and documents relating to betting and any money and securities for money" shall be read and construed as if it was a reference to "all liquor and also all vessels and utensils used for containing measuring or drinking such liquor"; and

(c) any reference in the Fourth Schedule to the said Act to the "*Police Offences Act* 1915—Part IV." shall be read and construed as if it was a reference to this Act.

(3) Any person guilty of an offence under any of the said sections as so extended and applied for which offence no penalty is therein expressly provided shall be liable—

(a) for a first offence to a penalty of not less than Five pounds or more than One hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a term of not less than seven days or more than three months; and

(b) for a second offence to a penalty of not less than Twenty-five pounds or more than Two hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a term of not less than one month or more than six months; and

(c) for any subsequent offence to imprisonment for a term of not less than three months or more than twelve months.

10. In the Second Schedule, page 29, paragraph (d), omit "1916" and insert "1915."

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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

17. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 12 inclusive be postponed until after No. 13.
18. **VENEREAL DISEASES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—
1. Clause 3, line 25, omit “Division two of Part VI.” and insert “Sections one hundred and ninety-six to two hundred and five (both inclusive).”
 2. „ line 26, omit “is” and insert “are.”
 3. Clause 6, line 16, after “thereon” insert “furnish his correct name and address to such medical practitioner.”
 4. Clause 7, line 31, omit “not exceeding four weeks.”
 5. Clause 9, lines 23–4, omit “not exceeding a period of six weeks.”
 6. „ line 25, omit “within that” and insert “before the expiration of ten days after the said.”
 7. „ line 28, after “inspector” insert “in a sealed envelope marked ‘confidential.’”
 8. Clause 10, line 36, after “attends” insert “treats.”
 9. „ line 38, after “shall” insert “(except in the case of a child).”
 10. „ insert the following sub-clause to follow sub-clause (1) :—
 “(2) In the case of a child suffering from any venereal disease every medical practitioner who attends treats or gives advice with respect to the child shall give to the parent or guardian or other person in charge of the child such directions and printed information as are prescribed.”
 11. „ page 5, line 6, omit “(2)” and insert “(3).”
 12. Clause 13, line 43, after “that” insert “there is reasonable ground to believe that.”
 13. „ page 7, lines 10–11, omit “If it appears from such report that all such medical practitioners are” and insert “If after consideration of such report the judge or police magistrate is.”
 14. Clause 20, line 19, omit “clinical.”
 15. „ line 21, after “charge” insert “to the patient.”
 16. „ line 24, after “infection” insert “and for the remuneration payable under any such arrangement.”
 17. Clause 22, sub-clause (1), paragraph (g), omit this paragraph and insert in lieu thereof the following paragraph :—
 “(g) Prescribing the periods during which according to the stages or phases of the disease persons suffering from any venereal disease are to attend or cause themselves to be attended by medical practitioners for the purpose of treatment and advice.”
 18. „ sub-clause (1), paragraph (h), omit this paragraph and insert in lieu thereof the following paragraph :—
 “(h) The fees payable to medical practitioners for notices given to the medical inspector pursuant to this Part of this Act.”
 19. Clause 24, line 17, after “Act” insert “there shall be inserted after the words ‘Any person’ where they first occur the following words ‘who exhibits in any picture theatre or place of public resort any film or cinematograph display and any person’ and.”
 20. „ line 39, omit “Minister” and insert “Chief Secretary or of the Minister of Public Health.”

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1—

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be disagreed with, but that the following new clause be inserted in the Bill :—

AA. Any person being the owner or occupier of any house room or place in which a female suffering from venereal disease resides for the purpose of prostitution, or to which she resorts for such purpose, shall unless he can prove that he did not know that such female prostituted herself while in a state of disease be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall be liable to a penalty of not more than Twenty pounds or at the discretion of the court to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term of not more than six months. Provided that no conviction under this section shall exempt the offender from any penal or other consequences to which he or she may be liable for keeping or being concerned in keeping a bawdy-house or disorderly house or for the nuisance thereby occasioned.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments 2 to 18 inclusive agreed to.

Amendment 19—

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Mr. Blackburn moved, as an amendment, That the amendment be amended by inserting the words "which is of an indecent or obscene nature" after the word "display."

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

Amendment 19, as amended, agreed to.

Amendment 20 agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, have disagreed with the amendment in line 25 of clause 3, but have made a consequential amendment by inserting a new clause in the Bill, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

19. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1916-17.—Mr. McGregor reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

| Division No. | £ | £ |
|--|---------|---|
| 1. Legislative Council | 574 | |
| 2. Legislative Assembly... .. | 4,784 | |
| 3. Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways | 372 | |
| 4. Refreshment Rooms | 531 | |
| 5. The Library | 429 | |
| 6. The Library, State Parliament House | 626 | |
| 7. Victorian Parliamentary Debates | 1,702 | |
| 8. Chief Secretary's Office—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 5,768 | |
| 9. " " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensations, &c. | 6,172 | |
| 10. " " Grants | 7,055 | |
| 11. Board for the Protection of the Aborigines | 2,312 | |
| 12. Explosives | 2,120 | |
| 13. State Accident Insurance Office | 7,119 | |
| 14. Fisheries and Game | 1,504 | |
| 15. Government Shorthand Writer... .. | 676 | |
| 16. The Governor's Office... .. | 172 | |
| 17. Herbarium | 558 | |
| 18. Inebriates Institution | 1,643 | |
| 19. Marine Board | 2,016 | |
| 20. Mercantile Marine | 361 | |
| 21. Observatory | 1,445 | |
| 22. Premier's Office | 1,669 | |
| 23. Training Ship | 4,717 | |
| 24. Agent-General | 4,420 | |
| 25. Audit Office | 6,833 | |
| 26. Government Statist | 10,511 | |
| 27. Hospitals for the Insane | 123,811 | |
| 28. Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools | 79,899 | |
| 29. Penal Establishments and Gaols | 29,581 | |
| 30. Police | 166,319 | |
| 31. Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria... .. | 12,699 | |
| 32. Public Service Commissioner | 1,657 | |
| | 490,055 | |

III.—MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

| | | |
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| 34. Education—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 511,073 | |
| 35. " Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensation | 862 | |
| 36. Works and Buildings | 35,920 | |
| 37. Endowments and Grants | 32,044 | |
| | 579,899 | |

IV.—ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

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| 39. Law Department | 3,257 | |
| 40. Crown Solicitor | 3,291 | |
| 41. Prothonotary | 840 | |
| 42. Master in Equity and Lunacy | 1,765 | |
| 43. Registrar-General and Registrar of Titles | 19,157 | |
| 44. Sheriff | 1,708 | |
| 45. Comptroller of Stamps and Collector of Imposts | 1,592 | |
| 46. Exempt Officers—Salaries | 3,036 | |
| 47. Pensions, Gratuities, &c. | 104 | |
| 48. Ordinary Expenditure | 9,161 | |
| | 43,911 | |

V.—SOLICITOR-GENERAL.

| Division No | £ | £ |
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| 49. Salaries | 26,762 | |
| 50. Ordinary Expenditure | 9,757 | |
| | <hr/> | 36,519 |

VII.—COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY.

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| 67. Survey, Land Settlement, Closer Settlement, and Management of Crown Lands | 43,189 | |
| 68. Immigration and Labour Bureau and Soldiers' Employment Bureau ... | 6,699 | |
| 69. Public Parks, Gardens, and Reserves—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 348 | |
| 70. " " " " Grants | 9,062 | |
| 71. Botanic and Domain Gardens | 5,163 | |
| 72. Extirpation of Rabbits and Wild Animals | 10,086 | |
| 73. Works and Buildings | 2,990 | |
| 74. Exceptional Expenditure | 1,770 | |
| | <hr/> | 79,307 |

VIII.—COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS.

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| 75. Public Works—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 27,706 | |
| 76. Ports and Harbors—Salaries, Ordinary Expenditure, Works, &c. ... | 51,702 | |
| 77. " " Shipbuilding | 10,000 | |
| 78. " " Exceptional Expenditure | 1,284 | |
| 79. Public Works—Works and Buildings | 105,354 | |
| 80. " " Road Works and Bridges | 9,050 | |
| 81. " " Endowments and Grants, Municipalities, &c. ... | 20,383 | |
| | <hr/> | 225,479 |

IX.—MINISTER OF MINES.

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| 82. Mines—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 13,141 | |
| 83. " Furtherance of Mining Industry | 16,598 | |
| 85. " Exceptional Expenditure | 6,938 | |
| | <hr/> | 36,677 |

X.—MINISTER OF FORESTS.

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| 86. State Forests—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 48,884 | |
| 87. " " Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities | 432 | |
| | <hr/> | 49,316 |

XI.—MINISTER OF WATER SUPPLY.

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| 88. State Rivers and Water Supply Commission | ... | 57,750 |
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XII.—MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE.

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|---|--------|--------|
| 89. Department of Agriculture—Administrative | 5,528 | |
| 90. Agriculture—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | 51,823 | |
| 91. " Grants | 1,350 | |
| 92. Stock and Dairy | 12,555 | |
| 93. Export Development and Produce Inspection | 22,530 | |
| | <hr/> | 93,786 |

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

20. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

Ordered—That the Report be received on Monday next.

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

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

21. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 12 inclusive and Nos. 14 to 25 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Monday next.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until Monday next:—

Administration and Probate Bill—Second reading.

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

And then the House, at twenty minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned until Monday next.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 68.

MONDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read:—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 22.

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

“An Act to amend the Licensing Acts.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th December, 1916.

3. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE BILL.**—Mr. Lawson, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill relating to the Parliamentary Joint Statute Law Revision Committee*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
4. **FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL (No. 2).**—Mr. McLeod, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. Lawson, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill to make provision with respect to Contributions under the Friendly Societies Acts by Persons on War Service and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Education Act 1915—
Regulation rescinded.—Sub-clause 33 (b) F—Nominated Courses in Agriculture, Mining, and Veterinary Science of Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.—Order in Council.
Regulation rescinded and Regulation substituted.—Regulation XI.—B. Primary Teacher's Certificate.—Second Class.—Order in Council.
Trade Unions—Thirtieth Annual Report on.—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1915, with an Appendix.
6. **STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL.**—Mr. Lawson obtained leave, with Mr. McLeod, to bring in a Bill intituled “*A Bill for removing Anomalies and correcting Errors in the Statute Law and for other purposes*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. **SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1916-17.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—
Resolved—That the following sum be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XIII.—MINISTER OF HEALTH.

| Division No. | £ |
|-------------------|--------|
| 94. Public Health | 11,560 |

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

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

9. **FOOTWEAR REGULATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, omit this clause, and insert in lieu thereof the following clause :—
 2. This Act shall come into force on a day to be fixed by proclamation of the Governor in Council published in the *Government Gazette* which proclamation may be made when the Governor in Council is satisfied that a similar Act has been passed by the Parliament of the State of New South Wales. Commencement
S.A. No. 1046
S. 2.
2. Clause 3, page 2, line 5, after “ ‘Shoes’ ” omit “ does not include ” and insert “ includes.”
3. „ page 2, line 11, after “ sole ” add “ and also except thread, wax, rivets, pegs, nails, toe-plates and heel-plates.”
4. Clause 4, line 22, after “ consists ” insert “ of fibre cord felt or other prescribed fabric or ”; and after “ rubber ” insert “ or partially of leather and partially of rubber.”
5. Clause 5, line 39, after “ soles ” insert “ or lining ”; and after “ thereof ” insert “ conspicuously and.”
6. „ page 3, line 9, after “ soles ” insert “ or lining ”; and after “ thereof ” insert “ conspicuously and.”
7. Clause 6, omit this clause.
8. Clause 10, lines 16–17, after “ four ” omit “ or section six.”
9. „ lines 21–22, omit “ (a) in the case of a prosecution under section four of this Act he further proves.”
10. „ line 27, after “ marked ” omit “ or.”
11. „ paragraph (b), omit this paragraph.
12. Clause 11, sub-clause (1), line 37, after “ soles ” insert “ or linings.”
13. „ sub-clause (1), page 5, line 1, after “ prescribing ” insert “ the fabrics of which outsoles may consist and.”
14. „ sub-clause (1), page 5, line 5, after “ used ” insert “ and.”
15. „ sub-clause (1), page 5, paragraph (c), omit this paragraph.
16. „ sub-clause (1), page 5, line 9, before “ imposing ” omit “ (d) ” and insert “ (e).”
17. Insert the following new clause to follow Clause 2 :—
 - A. So far only as relates to the sale or supply or exposing for sale or having in possession for sale or supply of boots or shoes in the possession of any person before the passing of this Act, sections four and five of this Act shall not apply to any such person until after the expiration of twelve months after the coming into force of this Act. Non-application temporarily to goods in stock before passing of Act.

And the said amendments were read a second time.

Amendment 1 disagreed with.

Amendment 2—

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be disagreed with.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be agreed to.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Amendment 2 agreed to.

Amendment 3 agreed to.

Amendments 4 to 6 inclusive, after debate, disagreed with.

Amendment 7—

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be disagreed with, but that the clause be amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

“(2) The provisions of sections one hundred and ten one hundred and eleven and one hundred and twelve of the *Health Act* 1915 with respect to warranties shall with such alterations modifications and substitutions as are necessary extend and apply to a defendant in any proceedings under this Act for a breach of this section, and in the construction of the said sections for the purposes of this sub-section but without affecting the generality thereof any reference in the said sections to any article or any article of food or drug shall be read and construed as if it were a reference to boots or shoes (as the case requires).”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments 8 to 16 inclusive disagreed with.

Amendment 17—

Mr. McLeod moved, That this amendment be agreed to with the following amendments :—

After “ follow Clause ” omit “ 2 ” and insert “ 10.”

Omit “ twelve ” and insert “ six.”

At the end of the clause add “ and so far only as relates to the manufacture or sale or supply or having in possession for sale or supply of boots or shoes section five of this Act shall not apply to any such boots or shoes in any case where an inspector is satisfied that such boots or shoes are intended for export from Victoria and that save as provided in the proviso to section four of this Act the soles of such boots or shoes consist entirely of leather.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

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| Mr. Baird, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |
| Mr. Mackey, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Lemmon. |

Noes, 6.

Mr. Bailey,
Mr. Jewell,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Sinclair.

Tellers.

Mr. Hogan,
Mr. Rogers.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Amendment 17, as amended, agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in such Bill, have disagreed with others, have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, and have disagreed with the amendment to omit clause 6 but have amended the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

10. PRESENTMENTS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the Legislative Assembly that they have disagreed with the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the Second Schedule of such Bill but have substituted a new rule in lieu thereof having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly.

How dealt with by the Legislative Council.

Disagreed with by Council, but the following new rule substituted:—

3. Second Schedule, page 8, insert the following new rule to follow rule 11:—

A. Upon the application of an accused person the Crown Solicitor or the clerk of the peace (as the case may be) not later than two days before the day of the arraignment of such accused person shall supply to him free of charge a copy of the statement and particulars of the offence to be charged: Provided that non-compliance with this rule shall not prejudice or delay the trial of the accused if, in the opinion of the court, no substantial injustice has been done to the accused by reason of such non-compliance.

A. (1) In any case where the statement of an offence charged in the information laid against an accused person materially differs from the statement of the offence charged in the presentment the Crown Solicitor or the clerk of the peace (as the case may be) after the presentment has been signed and not later than two days before the day of the arraignment of such accused person shall supply to him free of charge a copy of the statement and particulars of the offence charged in the presentment.

(2) In the event of non-compliance with this rule the court unless of opinion that no substantial injustice has been done to the accused by reason of such non-compliance may adjourn the trial for such time as the court thinks proper.

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House do not insist on their amendment to insert new rule A in the Second Schedule, and agree to the new rule substituted by the Legislative Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly do not insist on their amendment to insert new rule A in the Second Schedule of such Bill, and have agreed to the new rule substituted by the Legislative Council.

11. COUNTRY ROADS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—

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

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 6 be postponed until to-morrow.

13. **LAND TAX BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

14. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 23.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Water Supply Purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money for the said Purposes.

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 18th December, 1916.

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

15. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 23, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Water Supply Purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money for the said Purposes.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Water Supply Purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money for the said Purposes*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

16. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 24.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts.

Government Offices,
 Melbourne, 18th December, 1916.

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

17. **VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 24, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

18. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 25.

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

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 18th December, 1916.

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

19. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 25, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

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

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill relating to Municipal Endowment*" ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

20. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 8 and 9 be postponed until to-morrow.

21. **ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment ; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

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

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

22. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 11 to 15 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.

23. **MELBOURNE AND GEELONG IMPROVEMENTS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments ; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

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

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

- 24 **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—Sir Alexander Peacock, by leave, obtained leave, with Mr. H. McKenzie, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for other purposes*" ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

25. **INTESTATE ESTATES DISTRIBUTION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Clause 2, lines 9–13, omit “ father and a mother but no issue, then if the whole or any part of the estate of such intestate would now by law be distributable to the father the same shall be distributed equally to and between the father and mother ” and insert “ mother but no wife issue or father and the net value of whose estate shall not exceed Five hundred pounds then the whole of the estate of such intestate shall belong to the mother absolutely and exclusively.”

Mr. Blackburn moved, That this amendment be disagreed with, but that the following amendments be made in the clause :—After “ leaving ” insert “ (a) ” ; and at the end of the clause add the following words :—“ ; or

(b) a mother but no wife issue or father and the net value of his estate does not exceed Five hundred pounds then the whole of the estate of such intestate shall belong to the mother absolutely and exclusively.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a Message acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have disagreed with the amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 2 of such Bill, but have made amendments in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

26. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 18 to 23 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
27. **GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY'S POWERS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Lawson, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
28. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 25 to 29 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
29. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past Ten o'clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 69.

TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—Mr. Keast, on behalf of Mr. Speaker, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Printing Committee; together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and to be taken into consideration to-morrow.
3. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to secure for producers direct representation on all Boards and Commissions affecting primary production, and particularly on the Australian Wheat Board and the Victorian Wheat Commission, to order a full inquiry into the various matters set forth in the Petitions, full publication of all claims to the Commission by agents, and the introduction of legislation for the compulsory grading of cream, were presented :—
By Mr. Angus—
From certain electors of the State of Victoria.
By Mr. Tunnecliffe—
From certain electors of the State of Victoria (two Petitions).
On the motion of Mr. Angus, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Petition presented by him to be read.
The Petition was read by the Clerk.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—SPECIAL BOARD TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (not including professional employees or nurses) employed in or about a hospital doing any kind of hospital work.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.
5. NORTH GEELONG TO FYANSFORD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—Mr. H. McKenzie, pursuant to notice moved on his behalf by Mr. Hutchinson, after debate, obtained leave, with Mr. Membrey, to bring in a Bill intituled "*A Bill to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from North Geelong to Fyansford*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL (No. 2).—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, and Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—
Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

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

Clause 3, at the end of the clause add the following sub-sections :—

“(2) By-laws shall not be made under the powers conferred by this section unless with the approval of the Governor in Council and such by-laws or any of them may be repealed by the Governor in Council by Order published in the *Government Gazette*.

(3) Where any by-laws made under this section are inconsistent with or repugnant to any proclamation under the *Fisheries Act 1915* (whether made before or after the commencement of this Act) such by-laws shall to the extent of such inconsistency or repugnancy have no force or effect whatever.”

Mr. McLeod, by leave, offered the following new clause to be added to the Bill :—

Insert the following new clause to follow clause 3 :—

A. The council of any municipality (including the city of Melbourne and the city of Geelong) may—

- (a) establish and carry on shops for the sale of fish in the municipal district ;
- (b) buy and sell fish whether in such shops or in a market or elsewhere ; and
- (c) do all such acts and things as are necessary or convenient for carrying out the provisions of this section.

Mr. McLeod moved, That new clause A be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—New clause A read a second time.

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

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

Title—in the Title omit the words “the Regulation of.”

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

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

8. WILLS (SOLDIERS') BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment ; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

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

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

Clause 1, at the end of the clause add the following words :—

“and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the fourth day of August, One thousand nine hundred and fourteen, but nothing in this Act shall affect any rights under any probate or letters of administration granted before the passing of this Act.”

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

Clause 2, paragraph (a), line 14, after the word “engaged” insert the words “within or.”

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

9. WAR CONTRIBUTIONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

10. SUPREME COURT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

11. **MASTER-IN-EQUITY'S SALARY BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—
Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Question put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time with the concurrence of an absolute majority of the whole number of the Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 7 be postponed until after No. 8.
13. **MELBOURNE GENERAL MARKET LANDS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Hutchinson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. J. W. Billson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
14. **SUPPLY.**—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey having reported that the Committee had come to certain resolutions, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.
Mr. Mackey also acquainted the House that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
15. **SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1916-17.**—Mr. Mackey reported from the Committee of Supply certain resolutions, which were read and are as follow :—
Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

II.—MINISTER OF LABOUR.

| Division No. | £ | £ |
|--------------------------|----|--------|
| 33. Department of Labour | .. | 13,005 |

VI.—TREASURER.

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| 52. Treasury—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | ... | 14,713 |
| 53. " Transport, Samples, and Marine Insurance | ... | 1,999 |
| 54. " Unforeseen and Accidental Expenditure | ... | 2,000 |
| 55. " Allowances to Railway Department | ... | 8,458 |
| 56. " Grants | ... | 73,200 |
| 57. " Pensions, Compensations, and Gratuities, &c. | ... | 224 |
| 58. " Exceptional Expenditure | ... | 18,864 |
| 60. Taxation Office—Income Tax Branch | ... | 9,117 |
| 61. " " Land Tax Branch | ... | 13,546 |
| 62. " " Death Duties Branch | ... | 576 |
| 63. Curator of Estates of Deceased Persons | ... | 1,561 |
| 64. Government Printer—Salaries and Ordinary Expenditure | ... | 60,431 |
| 65. " " Exceptional Expenditure | ... | 487 |
| 66. " " Advertising, &c. | ... | 2,179 |
| | | <u>207,355</u> |

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

16. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.**—Mr. Lawson, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Joint Select Committee of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly on Statute Law Revision; together with the Minutes of Evidence and Schedule of Amendments.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report and Minutes of Evidence to be printed.
17. **MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make further provision for the Recovery by Municipalities of Rates and Other Moneys*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 14th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

18. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

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

Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending amendments in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Presentments in Criminal Cases, and matters preliminary, incidental, or similar thereto,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor in this Bill, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And His Excellency's Message was read and is as follows :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of the Constitution Act, the Governor transmits to the Legislative Council for their consideration the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Presentments in Criminal Cases, and matters preliminary, incidental, or similar thereto* :—

Clause 8, line 37, after "felony" omit "not capital."

Clause 8, line 38, after "felonies" omit "not capital."

Second Schedule, page 7, rule 2, after "felonies" omit "not capital."

Government Offices,
Melbourne.

On the motion of Mr. Lawson, the House, after debate, agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor, and ordered a Message to be transmitted to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said amendments.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Venereal Diseases and to amend Part V. of the 'Police Offences Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly on the amendment of the Legislative Council in clause 24 ; have agreed to the new clause inserted by the Legislative Assembly, and do not insist on their amendment in clause 3 but have made a consequential amendment in the said clause, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with.

Disagreed with by Assembly, but the following new clause has been inserted in the Bill, viz.:—

AA. Any person being the owner or occupier of any house room or place in which a female suffering from venereal disease resides for the purpose of prostitution or to which she resorts for such purpose shall unless he can prove that he did not know that such female prostituted herself while in a state of disease be guilty of an offence under this Act and shall be liable to a penalty of not more than Twenty pounds or at the discretion of the court to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term of not more than six months. Provided that no conviction under this section shall exempt the offender from any penal or other consequences to which he or she may be liable for keeping or being concerned in keeping a bawdy-house or disorderly house or for the nuisance thereby occasioned.

Amendment in clause 3 not insisted on by Council, but the following consequential amendment made in the said clause :—Omit "are" and insert "is," and new clause of the Assembly agreed to.

1. Clause 3, line 25, omit "Division two of Part VI." and insert "Sections one hundred and ninety-six to two hundred and five (both inclusive)."

Mr. McLeod moved, That the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Council be agreed to. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Legislative Council in clause 3 of such Bill.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Infectious Diseases Hospital Act 1914,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Ordered—That the said amendments be printed, and taken into consideration this day.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Schedule D to ‘ The Constitution Act ’ and to make provision with respect to the Salary of any Future Master-in-Equity,* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Part VI. of the ‘ Instruments Act 1915,’* ” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

23. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Mr. H. McKenzie, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 26.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make provision in regard to certain Expenditures in connexion with State Railways.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 19th December, 1916.

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

24. RAILWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor’s Message, No. 26, having been read—On the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Solly having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to make provision in regard to certain Expenditures in connexion with State Railways.

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

Ordered—That Mr. H. McKenzie and Sir Alexander Peacock do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Mr. H. McKenzie then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill to make provision in regard to certain Expenditures in connexion with State Railways* ” ; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

25. STAMP DUTIES.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole to consider certain stamp duties chargeable under the *Stamps Act 1915*.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Solly having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Solly reported from a Committee of the whole House the following resolution :—

Resolved—

1. That there shall in respect of the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and each and every subsequent year be charged (under and subject to the Stamps Acts) for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon the several licences hereinafter specified the several duties hereinafter specified :—

COMPANIES ANNUAL LICENCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Any company employing in Victoria in carrying on its business a capital not exceeding £10,000 | £5 per annum. |
| Any company employing in Victoria in carrying on its business a capital exceeding £10,000 but not exceeding £15,000 | £7 10s. per annum. |
| Any company employing in Victoria in carrying on its business a capital exceeding £15,000 but not exceeding £50,000 | £25 per annum. |
| Any company employing in Victoria in carrying on its business a capital exceeding £50,000 | £25 per annum on the first £50,000 of such capital and an additional £25 per annum on every £25,000 or part thereof of the excess over £50,000 of such capital. |
| Any company which is required by this Act to take out an annual licence, and which is not otherwise covered by this Schedule | |

2. That where a person having contracted for the purchase of any real property but not having obtained a conveyance or transfer thereof contracts to sell the same to any other person there shall be charged (under and subject to the Stamps Acts) for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors in respect of the consideration for the sale to the original purchaser and also in respect of the consideration for the sale by the original purchaser to the sub-purchaser the several duties and additional duties specified in the Stamps Acts as if such considerations were specified in separate instruments.

3. That there shall be charged (under and subject to the Stamps Acts) for the use of His Majesty his heirs and successors upon the instrument hereinafter specified the duty hereinafter specified :—

| | £ | s. | d. |
|--|---|----|----|
| Every counterpart of any lease or agreement for a lease of any lands or tenements for any definite or indefinite term unless stamped as an original instrument ... | 0 | 1 | 0 |

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. Lawson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

26. STAMPS BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill to amend the Stamps Acts*”; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

27. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and Nos. 9 to 27 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

And then the House, at thirty-nine minutes past Two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 70.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. DRIFT OF POPULATION FROM COUNTRY DISTRICTS TO THE CITY COMMITTEE.—Mr. A. A. Billson, Chairman, brought up a Progress Report from the Select Committee upon the Drift of Population from Country Districts to the City.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. TIMBOON TO PORT CAMPBELL RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of constructing a 5 ft. 3 in. gauge railway from Timboon to Port Campbell as a developmental railway under the provisions of the *Developmental Railways Act 1912*; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
4. PETITION.—The following Petition, praying the House to secure for producers direct representation on all Boards and Commissions affecting primary production, and particularly on the Australian Wheat Board and the Victorian Wheat Commission, to order a full inquiry into the various matters set forth in the Petition, full publication of all claims to the Commission by agents, and the introduction of legislation for the compulsory grading of cream, was presented :—
By Mr. Chatham—
From certain electors of the State of Victoria.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Companies Act 1915.—Summary of Statements for the year 1915 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.
 - Crimes Act 1915, Part II., Division 2.—Juvenile Offenders.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
 - Explosives Act 1915—
 - Addition to Order in Council No. 1 of the 12th day of October, 1909, relating to the Classification of Explosives.—Class 3.—Nitro-compound, Division 1.—Order in Council.
 - Addition to Order in Council No. 6 of the 12th day of October, 1909.—Class 3.—Nitro-compound, Division 1.—Order in Council.
 - Fire Brigades Act 1915.—Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
 - Friendly Societies Act 1915.—Consolidated Regulations under the Friendly Societies Act 1915.—Order in Council.

Public Service Act 1915—

Regulations—Travelling Allowances.—Chapter IX.—Part II.—Allowances to certain Officers—

Department of Chief Secretary (2 papers).

Department of Agriculture (2 papers).

Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—General.

Department of Agriculture (2 papers).

Department of Lands and Survey (2 papers).

Department of Public Works.

Regulations—Leave of Absence—Chapter XIV.—

Add—7. Leave of absence may be granted to officers who are members of the Defence Force.

Clause 7—Add—To take effect from the 1st October, 1916.

Regulations—Attendance and Conduct of Officers.—Chapter XIII.—Addition to Clause 11.

Water Act 1915.—Declarations of the Minister of Water Supply under the Act with reference to the constitution of the following proposed Flood Protection Districts, together with Plans showing the areas :—

Upper Koo-wee-rup Flood Protection District.

Lower Koo-wee-rup Flood Protection District.

Cardinia Flood Protection District.

Workers' Compensation Act 1915.—Regulations.—Suspension of Clause 19 of Workers Compensation Regulations 1915.—Order in Council.

6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2 be postponed until this day.
7. **VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
8. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
9. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
10. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to empower the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong to reclaim and improve insanitary, low-lying, or overcrowded areas,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

12. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 27.

In accordance with the requirements of section 57 of the Constitution Act, the Governor recommends to the Legislative Assembly that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer of a sum of not more than Forty-five thousand pounds from "The Developmental Railways Account" to the Consolidated Revenue.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

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

13. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS ACCOUNT TRANSFER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of His Excellency the Governor's Message, No. 27, having been read—On the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Outtrim having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolution :—

Resolved—That it is expedient that an Appropriation be made from the Consolidated Revenue for the purposes of a Bill to provide for the Transfer of a sum of not more than Forty-five thousand pounds from "The Developmental Railways Account" to the Consolidated Revenue.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. H. McKenzie do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to provide for the Transfer of a sum of not more than Forty-five thousand pounds from 'The Developmental Railways Account' to the Consolidated Revenue*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 to 9 inclusive be postponed until this day.

15. INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 2, line 11, after "of" insert "providing funds to be expended towards."
2. Clause 4, line 16, after "not" insert "(except in the case of instalments where the principal moneys are repayable by yearly or other instalments extending over a period of not less than ten years)."
3. Clause 7, line 13, after "moneys" insert "(including any instalment thereof)."
4. " line 21, before "The Board" insert "Except where the principal moneys are borrowed on the security of a mortgage under which they are repayable by yearly or other instalments."
5. " line 29, after "fund" insert "or (as the case may be) of any instalment of the principal money."

And, after debate, the said amendments were read a second time and agreed to by the House.

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

16. MUNICIPAL RATES RECOVERY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

1. Clause 7, at the end of the clause add—

"In the advertisement of any such sale it shall be competent to include lands within the same municipality belonging to more than one owner."

2. Clause 10, line 6, omit "may" and insert "shall if accompanied by a statutory declaration by the town clerk secretary or other responsible officer of the council that the provisions of this Act have been complied with."

3. Clause 11, lines 31-5, omit "published in at least one newspaper published in the city of Melbourne or circulating in the neighbourhood of the land and shall give the same notice" and insert "given."
4. ,, page 6, lines 16-17, omit "from any such mortgage or charge" and insert "as aforesaid."
5. Clause 12, line 26, after "land" insert "including any moneys and charges ranking *pari passu* therewith and due to any other statutory body."
6. Clause 14, at the end of the clause add—

"Such moneys when owing in respect of the same land as the rates and interest may be included in the same notice with the rates and the form of notice in the First Schedule shall be altered accordingly."

Insert the following New Clauses :—

To follow Clause 14 :—

7. A. Where any alteration has been made in the boundaries or the constitution of any municipality wherein the land was situate during the period that the rates or other moneys or part thereof became due the council of the municipality within which such land is situate at the time the provisions of this Act are put into force shall be entitled to exercise all the powers conferred by this Act.

To follow Clause 11 :—

8. B. If rates or other moneys are owing for the period aforesaid in respect of more than one piece of land in the name of the same owner within the same municipality all the said moneys and all the said lands may be set forth in one notice requiring payment and in one advertisement of sale and in one notice under section eleven of this Act.

To follow Clause 17 :—

9. C. Every order of the County Court made or purporting to have been made before the commencement of this Act in exercise of the jurisdiction conferred by section three hundred and forty-two of the *Local Government Act 1915* or the provisions which it replaces shall not as against a purchaser be invalidated on the ground of want of jurisdiction or want of any concurrence consent notice or service whether the purchaser has notice of any such want or not.

Every such order may be accepted by the Registrar of Titles as sufficient evidence that the court had jurisdiction to make the same and that the same is valid and binding on the owner and every other person having any estate or interest in the land :

Provided that the Registrar of Titles may if he thinks fit refuse to accept such order as sufficient evidence of the matters aforesaid unless and until the municipality which obtained the said order by deed under its seal covenants to indemnify the Registrar of Titles and the Assurance Fund under the *Transfer of Land Act 1915* against all claims and demands in respect of the acceptance by him of such order as sufficient evidence of the matters aforesaid and against all damages losses costs charges and expenses which the Registrar of Titles or the said Assurance Fund may sustain or be liable to for or in consequence of any such claims or demands. Municipalities are hereby authorized to give such indemnities as aforesaid.

10. In the Second Schedule, after "Signed by the said E.F." insert "at . . ."

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Country Roads Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,

Melbourne, 20th December, 1916. •

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

18. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 12 to 16 inclusive be postponed until this day.

19. LANCEFIELD AND KILMORE RAILWAY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendments made by the Committee of the whole House were agreed to.

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to the Distribution of the Estates of Persons dying Intestate*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on their amendment in clause 2 of the Bill and agree to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly in the said clause with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

And the said amendments were read a second time and are as follow :—

| Amendment made by the Legislative Council. | How dealt with. |
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| <p>Clause 2, lines 9-13, omit "father and a mother but no issue, then if the whole or any part of the estate of such intestate would now by law be distributable to the father the same shall be distributed equally to and between the father and mother" and insert "mother but no wife issue or father and the net value of whose estate shall not exceed Five hundred pounds then the whole of the estate of such intestate shall belong to the mother absolutely and exclusively."</p> | <p>Disagreed with by Assembly, but the following amendments made in the clause, viz. :—Line 9, after "leaving" insert "(a)"; and at the end of the clause add the following words, viz. :—" ; or (b) a mother but no wife issue or father and the net value of his estate does not exceed Five hundred pounds then the whole of the estate of such intestate shall belong to the mother absolutely and exclusively."</p> <p>Not insisted on by Council, and amendments of the Assembly agreed to but with the following amendments :—After "wife" insert "or husband" and after "his" insert "or her."</p> |

Mr. Lawson moved, That this House agree to the amendments of the Legislative Council on the amendments of the Legislative Assembly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments of the Legislative Council on the amendments of the Legislative Assembly in clause 2 of such Bill.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Administration and Probate Act 1915*," and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

22. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 18 be postponed until to-morrow.

23. STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

24. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Lawson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

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

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

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and to amend the Land Tax Acts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

26. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

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| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McLeod, | Mr. Lemmon. |

Noes, 10.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Oman. |
| Mr. Bowser, | |
| Mr. Chatham, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Farthing, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Keast. |

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

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

THURSDAY, 21st DECEMBER, 1916.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Solly reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Part IX. of 'The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act 1915' with respect to the Qualifications of the Master-in-Equity,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'War Expenditure and Overdrafts Act 1914' and to validate certain Investments by Municipalities in Commonwealth War Loans,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

28. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, Nos. 7 to 9 inclusive, Nos. 12 to 16 inclusive, and Nos. 21 to 27 inclusive and the Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until this day :—

Developmental Railways Account Transfer Bill—Second reading.

And then the House, at five minutes past Twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 71.

THURSDAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—Mr. Campbell, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Committee of Public Accounts (Financial Position of State Coal Mine).
Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.
3. TRAMWAY BOARD—SALARIES PAID, APPOINTEES, AND AVERAGE NUMBER OF INSPECTORS AND OFFICIALS.—Mr. Prendergast moved, pursuant to notice, That there be laid before this House a return showing—
 1. The salaries now paid to all officers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramway Company who receive £200 a year or over, mentioning each name and salary.
 2. The salaries paid (if any) to each of these officers on the passing of the trams to the control of the present management.
 3. The names of the new appointees to positions receiving over £200 per annum in this service, with salaries of each.
 4. The average number of inspectors and officials in the employ of the company for three months before it was taken over, and the number employed now.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PETITIONS.—The following Petitions, praying the House to secure for producers direct representation on all Boards and Commissions affecting primary production, and particularly on the Australian Wheat Board and the Victorian Wheat Commission, to order a full inquiry into the various matters set forth in the Petitions, full publication of all claims to the Commission by agents, and the introduction of legislation for the compulsory grading of cream, were presented :—
By Mr. A. A. Billson—
From certain electors of the State of Victoria (two Petitions).
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Indeterminate Sentences (Crimes Act 1915).—Annual Report of the Indeterminate Sentences Board for the year ended 30th June, 1916.
6. DEVELOPMENTAL RAILWAYS ACCOUNT TRANSFER BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

7. RAILWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by Sir Alexander Peacock, and the same was read :—

A. L. STANLEY,
 Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 28.

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

“ An Act to amend the Law relating to Presentments in Criminal Cases, and matters preliminary, incidental, or similar thereto.”

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 Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

9. STAMPS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Bowser moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 And, after debate—
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.
 The House divided.

Ayes, 13.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Leckie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Oman. |
| Mr. Chatham, | |
| Mr. Deany, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Carlisle, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Keast. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |
| Mr. McCutcheon, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Lemmon. |

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

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.

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

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

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

10. NORTH GEELONG TO FYANSFORD RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

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

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

11. **THORNBURY LAND BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Mr. Livingston moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Livingston, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
12. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
13. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 7 to 11 inclusive be postponed until after Nos. 12 and 13.
14. **ROSSTOWN JUNCTION RAILWAY ABANDONMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Speaker said, In my opinion, this is a Private Bill.
Mr. H. McKenzie moved, by leave, That all the Private Bill Standing Orders be dispensed with, and that this Bill be treated as a Public Bill.
Debate ensued.
Question—put.
The House divided.
- | Ayes, 26. | | Noes, 16. | |
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| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLeod, | Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, | Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, | Mr. Clough, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, | Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, | Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Farthing, | Sir Alexander Peacock, | Mr. Lemmon, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Robertson, | Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Cotter, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget, | Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Toutcher. | | |
| Mr. Lawson, | | | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. McCutcheon, | Mr. J. Gray, | | |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Keast. | | |
- And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
Mr. H. McKenzie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. H. McKenzie, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.
15. **FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL (No. 2).**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. McLeod moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Outtrim reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment ; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. McLeod, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to regulate the Manufacture and Sale of Footwear and for other purposes,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council do not insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly, do not insist on their amendment to omit clause 6 and agree to the amendment of the Legislative Assembly in the said clause, and agree to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly in new clause A.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Law relating to Medical Practitioners,*” and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have agreed to the same with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 20th December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow:—

Clause 2, line 9, after “ Every ” insert “ written.”

„ line 10, omit “ be in writing and.”

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

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

18. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS—SPECIAL BOARD TO FIX LOWEST RATES OF WAGES.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to notice, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in dispensing, compounding, or selling medicines, drugs, or goods in a friendly society’s or hospital dispensary.

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, as an amendment, That the words “ in a friendly society’s or hospital dispensary ” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words “ usually sold by a pharmaceutical chemist.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Mr. J. W. Billson moved, by leave, as an amendment, That the words “ a friendly society’s or hospital dispensary ” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words “ dispensaries and chemists’ shops.”

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

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

Question—That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any persons employed in dispensing, compounding, or selling medicines, drugs, or goods in dispensaries and chemists’ shops—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the foregoing resolution, and desiring their concurrence therein.

19. RAILWAY LINES—FINANCIAL RESULTS COMPARED WITH ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND WORKING EXPENSES SUBMITTED BY RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, pursuant to amended notice, That the question of the financial results of the following railways for each year since the date of their respective opening, as compared with the estimates of revenue and working expenses submitted by the Railways Commissioners, be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways for inquiry and report, namely:—

Beech Forest to Crowe’s,
Gheringhap to Maroona,
Eltham to Hurst’s Bridge,
Tocumwal Extension,
Alexandra-road to Alexandra, and
Any other Lines referred by the Governor in Council.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Exercise by Deputy of certain Powers and Authorities vested in the Governor,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Municipal Endowment,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

21. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 7 and 8 be postponed until this day.

22. DISCHARGED SOLDIERS SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question—That this Bill be now read a second time—having been read—
Debate resumed.

Mr. M. K. McKenzie moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

23. SUPPLY.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

24. SUPPLY.—ESTIMATES FOR 1916-17.—Mr. McGregor reported from the Committee of Supply a certain resolution, which was read and is as follows:—

Resolved—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz.:—

XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

| Division No. | | £ | £ |
|--------------|---|-----|-----------|
| 96. | Victorian Railways—Salaries and Working Expenses of all Lines during the year 1916-17 | ... | 2,092,844 |
| 97. | " " Pensions, Gratuities, Compensation, &c. | ... | 6,266 |
| 98. | " " Construction Branch | ... | 2,977 |
| 99. | " " State Coal Mines | ... | 73,775 |
| | | | 2,175,862 |

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

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

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. McGregor having reported that the Committee had come to a certain resolution, the Standing Orders were suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day.

Mr. McGregor reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the following resolution:—

Resolved—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 30th day of June, 1917, the sum of £3,715,481 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue of Victoria.

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

Ordered—That Sir Alexander Peacock and Mr. McLeod do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing resolution.

26. APPROPRIATION BILL.—Sir Alexander Peacock then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and seventeen and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament*"; and the said Bill was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council transmit to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Local Government Act 1915,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

28. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of Mr. Snowball, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Water Supply Purposes and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money for the said Purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for other Purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have concurred with the Legislative Assembly in agreeing to the following resolution, viz. :—

That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates which may be paid to any person or persons or classes of persons (not including professional employees or nurses) employed in or about a hospital doing any kind of hospital work.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act for removing Anomalies and correcting Errors in the Statute Law and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Parliamentary Joint Statute Law Revision Committee,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

30. DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, by leave, That the following Orders of the Day, Government Business, be read and discharged :—

Metropolitan Gas Company's Act Amendment Bill—Second reading.

Street Trading Bill—Second reading.

Commission Agents Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

Second-hand Dealers Bill—Second reading.

Industrial Peace Preservation Bill—Second reading.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

31. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 10 and 11 and No. 14 and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day, Government Business, be postponed until to-morrow:—

Railways Bill—To be further considered in Committee.

32. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

FRANK MADDEN,
Speaker.

VICTORIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

No. 72.

FRIDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1916.

1. The House met pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair.
2. BEAUMARIS CONNECTING ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY.—Mr. Barnes, Chairman, brought up a Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways on the question of connecting Beaumaris with the existing railway system by means of an electric street railway ; together with Minutes of Evidence and Plan.
Ordered to lie on the Table, and the Report to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—Sir Alexander Peacock presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Charitable Institutions.—Report of the Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1916.
Sir Alexander Peacock presented—
Bank Dividends and Reserve Funds.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 28th November, 1916.
Mr. H. McKenzie presented—
Railway Department—Relative Cost of Work by Butty-gang, Day-labour, and Private Contract Systems respectively.—Return to an Order of the House, dated 5th December, 1916.
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—
From 1st July to 31st December, 1914.
From 1st January to 30th June, 1915.
From 1st July to 31st December, 1915.
From 1st January to 30th June, 1916.
Forests Act 1915.—Report of the Department of State Forests for the year ended 30th June, 1916.
Health Acts—Regulations for securing the Cleanliness and Freedom from Contamination of Articles of Food, &c.
Poor Prisoners Defence Act 1916.—Regulations.—Order in Council.
4. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Sir Alexander Peacock, read a third time.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Legislative Council and their concurrence desired therein.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from North Geelong to Fyansford,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Transfer of a sum of not more than Forty-five thousand pounds from 'The Developmental Railways Account' to the Consolidated Revenue,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to repeal The Rosstown Junction Railway Act and The Rosstown Junction Railway Amendment Act and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to Contributions under the Friendly Societies Acts by Persons on War Service and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Modification of a certain Lease granted in pursuance of the 'Thornbury Land Act 1912,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

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

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to empower the Victorian Railways Commissioners to dismantle the Lancefield and Kilmore Railway and to sell or otherwise dispose of the said Railway and any Land or Property vested in them for the purposes thereof,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same but with an amended Title, with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1916.

JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

And the said amendments were read and are as follow :—

In the Title—

Omit "and any Land."

After "Property" insert "and to demise any Land."

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

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

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with an amendment; and the Standing Orders having been suspended so as to allow the Report to be received this day, the amendment made by the Committee of the whole House was agreed to.

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

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

8. STATE WAR COUNCIL BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Membrey moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; Mr. Mackey reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
Mr. Speaker having reported that the Chairman of Committees had certified that the fair print of this Bill was in accordance with the Bill as reported—Bill, on the motion of Mr. Membrey, read a third time.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the said Bill without amendment.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
- The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to 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 seventeen and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1916.
- JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 6 inclusive be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1.
11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—Mr. Snowball moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Rouget 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 this day.
12. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
- The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision in regard to certain Expenditures in connexion with State Railways,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1916.
- JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5 be postponed until after No. 6.
14. PRINTING COMMITTEE REPORT.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report of the Printing Committee on the question of Parliamentary Printing having been read—
Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the Report be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Council :—
- MR. SPEAKER,
- The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the ' Lunacy Act 1915 ' and for other purposes,*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1916.
- JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.
- MR. SPEAKER,
- The Legislative Council return to the Legislative Assembly the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the ' Midwives Act 1915,'*" and acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council have agreed to the same without amendment.
- Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 22nd December, 1916.
- JNO. M. DAVIES,
President.

16. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 and 5 and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday, 16th January next.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the following Order of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, 16th January next :—

Local Government Act 1915 further Amendment Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 16th January next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Alexander Peacock moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

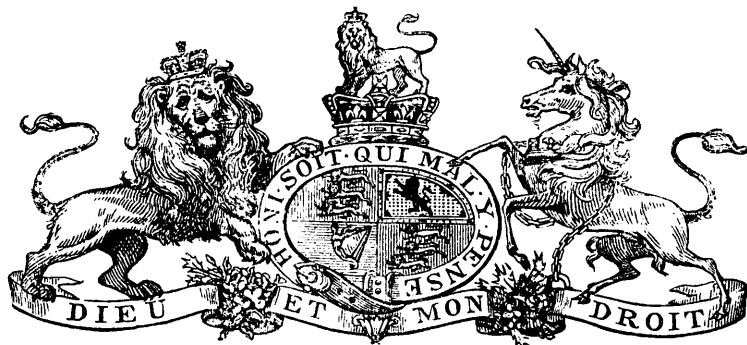
And then the House, at five minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 16th January next.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

FRANK MADDEN,

Speaker.



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir Arthur Lyulph Stanley, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; 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, 1917: 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 twentieth day of February, 1917.

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

(L.S.)

A. L. STANLEY.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. J. PEACOCK.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

SELECT COMMITTEES

APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1916.



1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

(Appointed by Mr. Speaker's Warrant, 5th July, 1916.)

Mr. J. Cameron,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Elmslie,
Mr. Mackey,

Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Outtrim,
Mr. Solly.

2.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Gordon,
Mr. Hannah,

Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Tunnecliffe

3.—STANDING ORDERS.

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Bayles,
Mr. J. W. Billson,
Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Lemmon,

Mr. Mackey,
Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Outtrim,
Sir Alexander Peacock,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Robertson.

4.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Angus,
Mr. Bailey,

Mr. Jewell,
Mr. McGregor.

5.—PRINTING.

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Speaker,
Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Bowser,
Mr. J. Cameron,
Mr. Farthing,
Mr. A. Gray,

Mr. Hogan,
Mr. Keast,
Mr. McGregor,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Snowball.

6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Carlisle,
Mr. Leckie,
Mr. Pennington,

Mr. Rogers,
Mr. Solly.

7.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Campbell,
Mr. Keast,
Mr. McPherson,
Mr. Menzies,

Mr. Oman,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Tunnecliffe.

8.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

(Appointed 9th August, 1916.)

Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. Lawson,
Mr. Mackey,

Mr. Mackinnon,
Mr. Prendergast,
Mr. Snowball.

9.—DRIFT OF POPULATION FROM COUNTRY DISTRICTS TO THE CITY.

(Appointed 17th August, 1916.)

Mr. Bailey,
Mr. A. A. Billson,
Mr. A. F. Cameron,
Mr. J. Cameron,

Mr. Clough,
Mr. Cotter,
Mr. A. Gray.

10.—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)

(Appointed 15th December, 1914.)

Mr. Barnes,
Mr. J. W. Billson,

Mr. Solly,
Mr. Toutcher.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 1.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 24TH AUGUST, 1916.

TUESDAY, 22ND AUGUST, 1916.

No. 1.—*Education Bill*—Clause 2 as amended.

(1) * * * * * if the Minister is of opinion that it is expedient in the interests of the people of Victoria that the registration under Part VI. of the *Education Act* 1915 of all or any of the schools referred to in the Schedule to this Act should be cancelled, he may recommend to the Governor in Council that such registration be cancelled.

(2) Upon such recommendation the Governor in Council may by Order direct the Council of Public Education to cancel the registration of every school specified in the Order and the entries relating thereto in the register of schools shall be removed from the register of schools accordingly, and every such school shall be deemed not to be registered under the said Part VI.

(3) The Council of Public Education shall cause notice of the fact of such cancellation to be published in the *Government Gazette*; and the production of a copy of the *Government Gazette* containing such notice shall be conclusive evidence of such cancellation and that all matters and things preliminary or incidental thereto or connected therewith have been properly done.

(4) No school the registration of which has been cancelled as aforesaid and no school which in the opinion of the Minister is substantially of the like kind or character or under the like management as the schools referred to in the Schedule to this Act shall be registered under the said Part VI. during the continuance of the present war and the period of twelve months after the termination thereof or shall (save with the express authority of the Governor in Council) be so registered after the expiry of that period.—(*Mr. Lawson.*)

Amendment proposed—That sub-section (1), as amended, be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the following sub-section, viz.:—“(1) The schools referred to in the Schedule to this Act shall be discontinued and be forthwith closed and the Minister of Public Instruction is hereby empowered to take all necessary measures to procure the discontinuance of such schools and the teaching therein and all necessary steps shall be taken to provide for the education of the pupils of such schools in accordance with the provisions of the Education Act. The registration of such schools is hereby cancelled.”—(*Mr. Toucher.*)

Question—That sub-section (1), as amended, proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 45.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Elmslie, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Lemmon, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. Carlisle, |
| Mr. McCutcheon, | Mr. J. Gray. |
| Mr. McGregor, | |

Noes, 8.

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| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Cotter, | |
| Mr. Hannah, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Webber. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 2.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

TUESDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Heatherton Sanatorium Bill*—Clause 17.

(1) Subject to this Act the Board shall not make any charge against any contributing municipality in respect of patients received into the Sanatorium from the district of that municipality.

(2) The Board "may" receive patients into the Sanatorium from the district of any municipality which is not a contributing municipality and may sue for and recover from the council of such municipality such reasonable charges and expenses as are fixed by the Minister.—(*Mr. McLeod.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "may," in line 1 of sub-section (2), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "shall."—(*Mr. J. W. Billson.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.

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| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Snowball. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Pennington. |

Noes, 19.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Elmslie, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. McLachlan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Menzies, | |
| Mr. Plain, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Webber. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 3.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 5TH OCTOBER, 1916.

TUESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*South Melbourne and Port Melbourne Land Bill*—Clause 2.

(1) The said recited Order in Council dated the third day of September One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three shall be and the same is hereby revoked.

(2) The land described in the Schedule to this Act shall be deemed to be and may be dealt with as unalienated land of the Crown.—(*Mr. Hutchinson.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “and may be leased only” be added to the clause.—(*Mr. J. W. Billson.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Lemmon, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Plain, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Webber. |

Noes, 14.

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| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Leckie. |

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 4.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 12TH OCTOBER, 1916.

THURSDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Betting Tax Bill*—Second Schedule *as amended*.

XII.—BETTING TICKETS—

Any betting ticket issued by a bookmaker on any race-course *within twenty miles of the General Post Office, Melbourne*—

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|----|-----|
| in the grand-stand enclosure | 0 | 0 | “3” |
| elsewhere on the race-course grounds | 0 | 0 | 1 |

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock*.)Amendment proposed—That the figure “3” be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the figure “1”.—(*Mr. Hogan*.)

Question—That the figure proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Rouget. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McLeod, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McPherson, | Mr. McGregor. |

Noes, 12.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Cotter, | |
| Mr. Farthing, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Rogers. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No 5.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 16TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

THURSDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Licensing Acts Amendment Bill*—Clause 7.

In sub-section (3) of section one hundred and sixteen of the Principal Act for the words "Twenty pounds" there shall be substituted the words "Ten pounds."

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Question—That clause 7 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 35.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McLeod, | Mr. McGregor. |

Noes, 2.

*Tellers.*Mr. Blackburn,
Mr. D. Smith.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—Clause 23.

Nothing in the Licensing Acts shall be deemed to make it unlawful for a licensed victualler to sell or dispose of refreshments or drinks of a non-intoxicating nature upon his licensed premises between the hours of six o'clock and nine o'clock in the morning or of six o'clock and half-past eleven o'clock at night provided that—

- (a) such non-intoxicating refreshments or drinks are not supplied from any bar or place where liquor "is" kept or from which liquor is supplied; and
- (b) any room or place upon the licensed premises or connected therewith which is set apart for or commonly used by persons to whom such non-intoxicating refreshments or drinks are supplied shall between the hours aforesaid be kept open and accessible to any authorized member of the police force.

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed—That after the word “is,” where it first occurs in line 2 of paragraph (a), the word “then” be inserted.—(*Mr. Farthing.*)

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

Committee divided.

| Ayes, 19. | | Noes, 29. | |
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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Angus, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Solly, | Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Toutcher, | Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Warde. | Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Cotter, | | Mr. Hutchinson, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Farthing, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Keast, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. | Mr. Lawson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hogan, | | Mr. Lemmon, | Mr. Snowball. |
| | | Mr. Livingston, | |
| | | Mr. Mackinnon, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| | | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Pennington. |
| | | Mr. McLachlan, | |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—Clause 32 *as amended.*

(1) Every person appointed a licensing magistrate under this Act—

- (a) shall subject to this Act hold office for a period of **three* years from the date of his appointment ;
- (b) shall be eligible for re-appointment ;
- (c) shall not (save with the sanction of the Governor in Council) engage in any business or employment other than the duties of his office ; and
- (d) shall be entitled to receive a salary at a rate not exceeding “Eight” hundred pounds per annum to be determined by the Governor in Council before or at the time of appointment :

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—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word “Eight,” in line 1 of paragraph (d) of sub-section (1), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word “Six.”—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

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

Committee divided.

| Ayes, 25. | | Noes, 23. | |
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| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, | Mr. Angus, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, | Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, | Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, | Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Pennington, | Mr. Chatham, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Robertson, | Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Rouget, | Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Snowball, | Mr. Downward, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Toutcher. | Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | | Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Keast, | Mr. Rogers. |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. J. Gray. | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | |
| Mr. McLeod, | | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 6.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 23RD NOVEMBER, 1916

TUESDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Licensing Acts Amendment Bill*—Clause 46, as amended.

(1) Notwithstanding anything in the Licensing Acts or in any other Act the licensing court for any licensing district within the Mallee country as defined in the Land Acts or the part of Victoria described in the Fourth Schedule to the Principal Act may subject to this section grant and renew a victualler's licence to be known as a Mallee victualler's licence to a fit person in respect of premises in any area proclaimed for the purposes of this section which have accommodation deemed by the court to be satisfactory and sufficient for the locality.

(2) Such premises except in the part of Victoria aforesaid shall not be within twelve miles by public road from any other licensed victualler's premises on such road.

(3) No such area shall be proclaimed under this section unless there reside therein not less than five hundred persons enrolled as electors for the Legislative Assembly, and unless a petition setting out the boundaries of the area and praying for such proclamation and for the granting of a Mallee victualler's licence has been forwarded to the Minister signed by the majority of such persons together with such sum as may be prescribed by regulation sufficient to cover the expenses consequent thereon.

(4) On receipt of such petition the Minister may refer it to the licensing court which shall—

- (a) hold an inquiry as to the requirements of the public with respect to licensed victuallers' premises in the locality; and
- (b) satisfy itself that the majority of the persons aforesaid have signed the petition.

(5) On a report to the Minister from the licensing court recommending that the prayer of the petition be granted, the Governor in Council may proclaim the aforesaid area for the purposes of this section.

(6) Thereupon a vote of persons enrolled as electors for the Legislative Assembly in respect of residence in the said area shall be taken as hereinafter provided on the question of granting a Mallee victualler's licence in the said area.

(7) For the purposes of the taking of such vote the following provisions shall apply:—

(a) a member of the licensing court shall—

- (i) cause a roll of voters to be prepared including the names of the persons aforesaid;
- (ii) insert therein the names of any of such persons whose names have been omitted therefrom and who apply to have their names inserted, and satisfy him that their names ought to have been so inserted;
- (iii) remove therefrom any names which ought not to have been inserted therein;
- (iv) finally certify and sign the roll as correct;
- (v) on a day of which at least seven days' notice has been given by advertisement in the *Government Gazette* and by placards posted within the area take a poll of the voters by ballot; and
- (vi) declare the result of the poll by notice published in the *Government Gazette*;

(b) such member of the licensing court shall have all the powers of a returning officer at an election for the Legislative Assembly;

(c) the poll shall be taken in accordance with regulations made by the Governor in Council which may prescribe all matters necessary or convenient to be prescribed for the purposes of the taking of the poll; and

(d) unless at least one-third of the voters whose names are on the roll prepared as aforesaid record their votes at the poll the poll shall have no effect.

(8) Where at any effective poll there is a majority of votes in favour of granting a Mallee victualler's licence in the area, the licensing court "may at any sitting entertain an application for and if satisfied grant not more than one Mallee victualler's licence in the proclaimed area."

(9) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, in the case of the part of Victoria aforesaid, there may be a petition for the whole or for any portion thereof and an area or areas may be proclaimed and a poll or polls taken accordingly; but not more than three Mallee victuallers' licences shall be granted in respect of premises in the said part of Victoria.

(10) For the period of six years after the granting of any Mallee victualler's licence the premises in respect of which the same is granted shall not be deprived of a licence in consequence of any local option vote, but the Governor in Council may at any time direct that any such licence shall not be renewed.

(11) The annual value which any Mallee victualler's licence adds to the annual value of the land and buildings of the licensed premises shall be fixed by the licensing court on the granting of the licence and thereafter annually at the time of renewal; and the amount so fixed shall be paid by the licensee with the licence-fee annually and shall form part of the Licensing Fund; and the provisions of the Licensing Acts with regard to the non-payment or the late payment of the annual licence-fee and with regard to the rights of an owner or mortgagee in such a case shall apply to the non-payment or late payment of the amount fixed as aforesaid.

(12) For the purposes of this section paragraph (4) of section sixty-six of the Principal Act shall be read and construed as if after the words "for which" there were inserted the words "a Mallee victualler's licence or."

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "may at any sitting entertain an application for and if satisfied grant not more than one Mallee victualler's licence in the proclaimed area," in lines 2 and 3 of sub-section (8), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the words "shall at any sitting grant to the State Government of Victoria not more than one Mallee victualler's licence in the proclaimed area. The State shall thereupon make provision to meet such requirements of the district as may be determined by the licensing court and shall provide the necessary premises to carry on and shall itself carry on the business empowered by the licence."—(Mr. Prendergast.)

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

Ayes, 33.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | |
| Mr. Johnstone, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Keast. |

Noes, 19.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Rogers. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2—

Question—That clause 46 as amended stand part of the Bill—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 32.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Leckie, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. A. Gray, | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Keast. |

Noes, 19.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | |
| Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Menzies, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—Clause 47.

(1) In sub-section (3) of section two hundred and ninety-five of the Principal Act for the words "the general election next following the commencement of this Part" there shall be substituted the words "the second general election after the commencement of this Part."

(2) Until the day appointed for the taking of the first local option vote under the said section two hundred and ninety-five as amended as aforesaid, the licensing court for any licensing district may determine that reductions be made in the number of victuallers' licences for that district as if Resolution B referred to in section two hundred and ninety-six of the Principal Act had been carried in that district and may determine the amount of compensation payable; and for the purposes of this sub-section the provisions of the Licensing Acts with such modifications and substitutions as are necessary shall be read and construed and given effect accordingly:

Provided that the court shall exercise the powers conferred upon it hereunder to the extent only to which there are moneys in the Licensing Fund available for payment of compensation.

—(Sir Alexander Peacock.)

Question—That clause 47 stand part of the Bill—put.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 31.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Rogers. |

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |
| Mr. Keast, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Campbell, |
| Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Lemmon. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER, 1916.

No. 4.—*Licensing Acts Amendment Bill*—Clause 4 as amended.

For section nineteen of the Principal Act there shall be substituted the following section:—

"(1) The fees to be paid for such licences respectively shall be as follows:—

- (a) For any of such licences, other than those for which special provision is made in this section, the fee shall be equal to the sum of * per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of the licence was purchased for the premises or (in the case of a packet licence) the vessel in respect of which such grant or renewal is sought:
- (b) For a temporary victualler's licence or a temporary packet licence—One pound, and a further fee equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable for all liquor purchased for sale or disposal under such licence:
- (c) For a spirit merchant's licence—Twenty-five pounds per annum, and (where such spirit merchant is not the holder of a grocer's licence) a further fee equal to the sum of seven per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable by the licensee for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of such licence was sold or disposed of under such licence to persons other than persons licensed to sell liquor:
- (d) For a grocer's licence—A fee which, together with the fees payable in respect of the spirit merchant's licence held in connexion therewith, is equal to the sum of "seven" per centum of the gross amount (including any duties thereon) paid or payable by the licensee for all liquor which during the twelve months ended on the last day of June preceding the date of the application for the grant or renewal of the grocer's licence was sold or disposed of under the said licences to persons other than persons licensed to sell liquor, but so that the fees payable for the said licences shall not be less than Twenty-six pounds in all:
- (e) For a vigneron's licence—Five pounds per annum:
- (f) For a brewer's licence—One pound per annum:
- (g) For a billiard-table licence—Five pounds per table per annum for any number of tables not greater than four on any licensed premises; and for any number of tables greater than four, Twenty pounds per annum for the whole of such tables.

(2) A person firm or body corporate if carrying on the business of a spirit merchant in one house or place of business shall be liable to pay the fees for a spirit merchant's licence in respect of that house or place only; but if carrying on such business in more than one house or place of business shall be liable to pay the fees for a spirit merchant's licence in respect of each such house or place.

(3) In the case of the year One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, this section shall be read and construed as if for the word 'June' there were substituted the word 'September.'"

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "four" be inserted in line 2 of paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) in place of the word "seven" omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Cotter, | |
| Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Plain, | Mr. Jewell, |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Rogers. |

Noes, 44.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Lemmon |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Menzies. |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |
| Mr. Keast, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Campbell, |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. J. Gray. |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 5—

And the clause having been further amended by the insertion of the word "six" in place of the word "seven," in paragraph (a), by the insertion of the word "four" in place of the word "seven," in paragraphs (b) and (c), and by the omission of the word "seven" in paragraph (d) of sub-section (1)—

Further amendment proposed—That the word "four" be inserted in line 2 of paragraph (d) of sub-section (1) in place of the word "seven" omitted.—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 47.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Clough, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |
| Mr. Keast, | |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Rogers. |

Noes, 9.

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| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Chatham, | |
| Mr. Hannah, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Lemmon, | Mr. Jewell, |
| Mr. D. Smith, | Mr. Sinclair. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1916.

No. 6.—*Licensing Acts Amendment Bill*—Clause 12 as amended.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any agreement whether made before or after the coming into operation of this Part—

- (a) any licensed victualler who holds a victualler's licence for any premises of which he is not the owner and who pays the annual licence-fee for such licence fixed on a percentage basis may without suffering any penalty imposed by any such agreement deduct from any rent payable by him for the premises for any year in respect of which such fee is paid a sum equal to * of the amount of such fee or may recover the said sum in any court of competent jurisdiction from the owner of the premises ;
- (b) where such sum is so deducted from any rent payable to or is recovered from an owner of the premises and such owner is himself a tenant of another person who is an owner of the premises within the meaning of the Licensing Acts such tenant may in like manner deduct from any rent payable by him to or may recover from the last-mentioned owner a sum equal to the amount so deducted or recovered and so on until the owner to whom the rent is payable is not himself a tenant of another person ;
- (c) in this section "rent" includes any rent reduced or commuted under any such agreement.

—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "one-third" be inserted in line 5 of paragraph (a) in place of the word "two-sevenths" omitted.—(*Sir Alexander Peacock.*)

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

Committee divided.

| Ayes, 33. | | Noes, 13. | |
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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Clough, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Farthing, | |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, | Mr. Hogan, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McLeod, | Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Membrey, | Mr. McLachlan, | Mr. Cotter, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, | Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Lemmon. |
| Mr. Campbell, | Sir Alexander Peacock, | | |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Pennington, | | |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Rouget, | | |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. D. Smith, | | |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Toutcher. | | |
| Mr. Gordon, | | | |
| Mr. A. Gray, | <i>Tellers.</i> | | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | | | |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. J. Gray, | | |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Keast. | | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 7.—New Clause L.

Notwithstanding anything herein contained when in the opinion of the Board serious loss has been sustained by the reduction of the hours of trading which loss will not be fully compensated for under the other provisions of this Act the Board may assess an amount as compensation for such loss so unprovided for and any sum so assessed may be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament for that purpose or in such other manner as may be hereafter decided.—(*Mr. Sinclair.*)

Question—That new clause L be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

| Ayes, 20. | | Noes, 25. | |
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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Angus, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Solly, | Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Toutcher, | Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, | Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Warde. | Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Farthing, | | Mr. Downward, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Hannah, | <i>Tellers.</i> | Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. D. Smith. |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Hutchinson, | |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Lemmon. | Mr. Johnstone, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| | | Mr. Lawson, | |
| | | Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| | | Mr. Mackinnon, | Mr. Keast. |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 8.—New clause Q.

(1) After the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and nineteen no grocer's licence shall be granted renewed or transferred.

(2) After the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and nineteen the holder of any grocer's licence shall have in respect of the deprivation of his licence a claim to receive compensation (without interest thereon) out of any moneys in the Licensing Fund or which may thereafter at any time accrue thereto but only to the extent that such fund is from time to time available to meet such payments after making any payments charged thereto by the Licensing Acts.

(3) The licensing court of each district shall as soon as practicable after the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and nineteen notify the Treasurer of Victoria as to the amount of compensation payable to the holders of grocers' licences.

(4) On receiving such a notification the Treasurer shall set apart out of the Licensing Fund an amount sufficient to meet all claims on account of such compensation in such district.

—(Mr. J. W. Billson.)

Question—That new clause Q be now read a second time—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Jewell, |
| Mr. Lemmon, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |

Noes, 22.

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| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Rogers. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 9—

Question—That new clause Q be added to the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 25.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Mackinnon, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |

Noes, 23.

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| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. A. Gray, | |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Leckie, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Rogers. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 7.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 8TH DECEMBER, 1916.

WEDNESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Supply—Estimates for 1916–17.*

Motion made and question put—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916–17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

DIVISION No. 1.

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The sum of £574.—(*Mr. McLeod.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 39.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Mackinnon, | |
| Mr. McGregor, | |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McLeod, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. Membrey, | Mr. Lemmon. |

Noes, 19.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Bayles, | Mr. McLachlan, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Farrer, | |
| Mr. Farthing, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Cariisle, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Keast. |
| Mr. Leckie, | |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.
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THURSDAY, 7TH DECEMBER, 1916.

No. 2.—*Supply—Estimates for 1916-17.*

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

DIVISION No. 2.

* * * * *

The sum of "£4,784."—(*Mr. McLeod.*)Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £12.—(*Mr. Hogan.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Clough, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Jewell, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Prendergast, | |

Noes, 36.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. McGregor, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Johnstone, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Carlisle, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Lemmon. |
| Mr. Livingston, | |

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3—

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

DIVISION No. 16.

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The sum of "£172."—(*Mr. McLeod.*)Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £1.—(*Mr. Hannah.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 19.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Farthing, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. Prendergast, | |

Noes, 28.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Snowball. |
| Mr. Lawson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Pennington. |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | |

And so it passed in the negative.

FRIDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1916.

No. 4.—*Supply—Estimates for 1916-17.*

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

PREMIER'S OFFICE.

DIVISION No. 22.

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The sum of "£1,669."—(*Mr. McLeod.*)Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £24.—(*Mr. Hogan.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. Chatham, | |
| Mr. Cotter, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Hogan, | |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Jewell, |
| Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Webber. |

Noes, 28.

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| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Plain, |
| Mr. Farrer, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Farthing, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Toutcher, |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Tunnecliffe. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Pennington. |

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 8.

DIVISION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 15TH DECEMBER, 1916.

TUESDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Supply—Estimates for 1916-17.*

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916-17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

I.—CHIEF SECRETARY.

GOVERNMENT STATIST.

DIVISION No. 26.

* * * * *

The sum of "£10,511."—(*Mr. McLeod.*)

Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £1.—(*Mr. A. A. Billson.*)
Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Carlisle, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Deany, | |
| Mr. Downward, | |
| Mr. Farthing, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Bayles, |
| Mr. Leckie, | Mr. Keast. |

Noes, 33.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Outtrim, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. Pennington, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Jewell, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. McLachlan, | |

And so it passed in the negative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SESSION 1916.

No. 9.

DIVISIONS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

WEEK ENDED 22ND DECEMBER, 1916.

TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 1916.

No. 1.—*Master-in-Equity's Salary Bill*—Clause 2.

(1) In the Second Part of the Schedule to *The Constitution Act* marked D the words and figures "Master-in-Equity . . . 1,500" are hereby repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in any Act any future Master-in-Equity shall be entitled as such Master-in-Equity to such annual salary as is determined by the Governor in Council and no more.

—(*Mr. Lawson.*)Amendment proposed—That sub-section (2) be omitted.—(*Mr. Prendergast.*)

Question—That sub-section (2) proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 27.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. M. K. McKenzie, |
| Mr. Baird, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Deany, | Mr. Oman, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Johnstone, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. Toutcher. |
| Mr. Leckie, | |
| Mr. Livingston, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. McCutcheon, | |
| Mr. McGregor, | Mr. Carlisle, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. J. Gray. |

Noes, 16.

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| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. D. Smith, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Hannah, | Mr. Warde, |
| Mr. Hogan, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Jewell, | |
| Mr. Keast, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Rogers, | Mr. Solly. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1916 (IN THE MORNING).

No. 2.—*Supply—Estimates for 1916–17.*

Motion made—That the following sums be granted to His Majesty to defray the charges for the year 1916–17 for the several services hereunder specified, in addition to the several sums already voted in this present Session of Parliament for such services, viz. :—

XIV.—MINISTER OF RAILWAYS.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

Division No. 96.

* * * * *

The sum of "£2,092,844."—(*Mr. H. McKenzie.*)

Amendment proposed and question put—That this sum be reduced by £10.—(*Mr. J. W. Billson.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

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| Mr. Bailey, | Mr. Prendergast, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Rogers, |
| Mr. Blackburn, | Mr. Sinclair, |
| Mr. Clough, | Mr. Solly, |
| Mr. Cotter, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Hannah, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Lemmon, | Mr. Tunnecliffe, |
| Mr. Outtrim, | Mr. Webber. |
| Mr. Plain, | |

Noes, 27.

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| Mr. Baird, | Mr. Leckie, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Livingston, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. H. McKenzie, |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Mr. McPherson, |
| Mr. Campbell, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Chatham, | Mr. Mitchell, |
| Mr. Deany, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. Downward, | Mr. Robertson, |
| Mr. Gordon, | Mr. Rouget. |
| Mr. A. Gray, | |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Johnstone, | |
| Mr. Keast, | Mr. Carlisle, |
| Mr. Lawson, | Mr. J. Gray. |

And so it passed in the negative.

FRIDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1916.

No. 3.—*State War Council Bill*—Clause 7.

(1) At any meeting of the council a quorum shall consist of "six" members.

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—(*Mr. Membrey.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "six," in line 1 of sub-section (1), be omitted with a view of inserting in place thereof the word "ten."—(*Mr. Solly.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.

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| Mr. Angus, | Mr. McLeod, |
| Mr. Barnes, | Mr. Membrey, |
| Mr. Bowser, | Mr. Menzies, |
| Mr. J. Cameron, | Sir Alexander Peacock, |
| Mr. A. Gray, | Mr. Rouget, |
| Mr. Hutchinson, | Mr. Warde. |
| Mr. Lawson, | |
| Mr. Leckie, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Livingston, | Mr. J. Gray, |
| Mr. H. McKenzie, | Mr. Keast. |

Noes, 10.

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| Mr. A. A. Billson, | Mr. Snowball, |
| Mr. J. W. Billson, | Mr. Solly. |
| Mr. A. F. Cameron, | |
| Mr. Jewell, | <i>Tellers.</i> |
| Mr. Prendergast, | Mr. Lemmon, |
| Mr. Sinclair, | Mr. Webber. |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

