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MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

DURING THE PERIOD FROM 24TH OCTOBER, 1917, TO

9TH APRIL, 1918.

Names of Provinces and Members.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
Each Province returns two Members.				
METROPOLITAN.				
EAST YARRA :				
The Honorables—				31,610 Electors { Males, 24,101. Females, 7,509.
James Kerr Merritt ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
William Haslam Edgar ..	..	5 July, 1917 ..	1919	Elected in place of Hon. Robert Beckett, deceased.
MELBOURNE :				
The Honorables—				19,836 Electors { Males, 14,778. Females, 5,058.
John McWhae ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Sir John Mark Davies, K.C.M.G.	29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	Retired by rotation and re-elected. Elected President 6 July, 1910; re-elected 2 July, 1913.
MELBOURNE EAST :				
The Honorables—				19,526 Electors { Males, 15,394. Females, 4,132.
John Percy Jones ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Daniel Laurence McNamara	9 May, 1917..	..	1919	Elected in place of Hon. A. McLellan, resigned.
MELBOURNE NORTH :				
The Honorables—				31,052 Electors { Males, 26,385. Females, 4,667.
Donald Melville ..	..	1 June, 1916 ..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
William James Beckett ..	..	18 Sept., 1914	1919	Elected in place of Hon. W. J. Evans, deceased.
MELBOURNE SOUTH :				
The Honorables—				24,265 Electors { Males, 17,918. Females, 6,347
Thomas Henry Payne ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Arthur Robinson ..	29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
MELBOURNE WEST :				
The Honorables—				27,261 Electors { Males, 22,534. Females, 4,727.
John George Aikman ..	..	1 June, 1916 ..	1922	Retired by rotation and, on petition, re-elected.
James Herbert Disney ..	23 May, 1916 ..	..	1919	Elected in place of Hon. W. H. Fielding, deceased.
COUNTRY.				
BENDIGO :				
The Honorables—				10,761 Electors { Males, 7,858. Females, 2,903.
Joseph Sternberg ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Alfred Hicks ..	29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
GIPPSLAND :				
The Honorables—				13,514 Electors { Males, 10,729. Females, 2,785.
Edward Jolley Crooke ..	..	1 June, 1916 ..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
George Martley Davis ..	31 January, 1917	..	1919	Elected in place of Hon. W. Pearson, resigned.
NELSON :				
The Honorables—				10,843 Electors { Males, 8,057. Females, 2,786.
Theodore Beggs ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	Retired by rotation and re-elected.
James Drysdale Brown ..	{ 29 May, 1913 30 Dec., 1913	..	1919	Retired by rotation and re-elected. Vacated seat by accepting office of Minister of Mines; re-elected.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—*continued.*

Names of Provinces and Members.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
Each Province returns two Members.				
COUNTRY—<i>continued.</i>				
NORTHERN :				
The Honorables—				
William Lawrence Baillieu ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	12,745 Electors { Males, 9,847. Females, 2,898. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Elected in place of Hon. R. H. S. Abbott, who retired by rotation.
Francis Grenville Clarke ..	..	6 June, 1913 ..	1919	
NORTH-EASTERN :				
The Honorables—				
Arthur Otto Sachse ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	12,873 Electors { Males, 9,746. Females, 3,127. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Appointed Chairman of Committees, 3 July, 1912; re-appointed 3 December, 1914, 5 July, 1916, and 4 December, 1917.
William Kendell, ..	23 May, 1916 ..	..	1919	
NORTH-WESTERN :				
The Honorables—				
Richard Bloomfield Rees ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	15,928 Electors { Males, 12,891. Females, 3,037. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Vacated seat by accepting office of Minister of Public Health; re-elected. Vacated seat by accepting office of Commissioner of Public Works; re-elected.
	{ 29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	
	{ 30 June, 1913 ..	..	
Frederick William Hagelthorn	{ 30 Dec., 1913 ..	..	
SOUTHERN :				
The Honorables—				
William Angliss ..	..	1 June, 1916 ..	1922	13,877 Electors { Males, 10,743. Females, 3,134. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Retired by rotation and re-elected.
William Lionel Russell Clarke	29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	
SOUTH-EASTERN :				
The Honorables—				
William Addison Adamson	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	23,830 Electors { Males, 18,680. Females, 5,150. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Duncan Elphinstone McBryde	..	6 June, 1913 ..	1919	
SOUTH-WESTERN :				
The Honorables—				
Horace Frank Richardson ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	16,737 Electors { Males, 13,377. Females, 3,360. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Austin Albert Austin ..	29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	
WELLINGTON :				
The Honorables—				
Frederick William Brawn ..	..	1 June, 1916 ..	1922	10,253 Electors { Males, 7,992. Females, 2,261. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Elected in place of Hon. J. Y. McDonald, resigned.
Alexander Bell ..	..	2 March, 1917	1919	
WESTERN :				
The Honorables—				
Walter Synnot Manifold ..	24 May, 1916 ..	..	1922	13,428 Electors { Males, 10,642. Females, 2,786. Retired by rotation and re-elected. Retired by rotation and re-elected.
Edward James White ..	29 May, 1913 ..	..	1919	
				Total No. of Electors,* 308,339 { Males, 241,672 Females, 66,667

* Including 287 non-ratepaying electors—183 males and 104 females.

R. W. V. McCALL,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

ALPHABETICAL LIST

OF

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

DURING THE PERIOD FROM 24TH OCTOBER, 1917, TO

9TH APRIL, 1918.

Member.	Province.
1. ADAMSON, The Honorable William Addison	... South-Eastern.
2. AIKMAN, The Honorable John George	... Melbourne West.
3. ANGLISS, The Honorable William	... Southern.
4. AUSTIN, The Honorable Austin Albert	... South-Western.
5. BAILLIEU, The Honorable William Lawrence	... Northern.
6. BECKETT, The Honorable William James	... Melbourne North.
7. BEGGS, The Honorable Theodore	... Nelson.
8. BELL, The Honorable Alexander	... Wellington.
9. BRAWN, The Honorable Frederick William	... Wellington.
10. BROWN, The Honorable James Drysdale	... Nelson.
11. CLARKE, The Honorable Francis Grenville	... Northern.
12.*CLARKE, The Honorable William Lionel Russell	... Southern.
13. CROOKE, The Honorable Edward Jolley	... Gippsland.
14. DAVIES, The Honorable Sir John Mark, K.C.M.G. (President)	... Melbourne.
15. DAVIS, The Honorable George Martley	... Gippsland.
16. DISNEY, The Honorable James Herbert	... Melbourne West.
17. EDGAR, The Honorable William Haslam	... East Yarra.
18. HAGELTHORN, The Honorable Frederick William	... North-Western.
19. HICKS, The Honorable Alfred	... Bendigo.
20. JONES, The Honorable John Percy	... Melbourne East.
21. KENDELL, The Honorable William	... North-Eastern.
22. MANIFOLD, The Honorable Walter Synnot	... Western.
23. McBRYDE, The Honorable Duncan Elphinstone	... South-Eastern.
24. McNAMARA, The Honorable Daniel Laurence	... Melbourne East.
25. McWHAE, The Honorable John	... Melbourne.
26. MELVILLE, The Honorable Donald	... Melbourne North.
27. MERRITT, The Honorable James Kerr	... East Yarra.
28. PAYNE, The Honorable Thomas Henry	... Melbourne South.
29. REES, The Honorable Richard Bloomfield	... North-Western.
30. RICHARDSON, The Honorable Horace Frank	... South-Western.
31. ROBINSON, The Honorable Arthur	... Melbourne South.
32. SACHSE, The Honorable Arthur Otto (Chairman of Committees)	... North-Eastern.
33. STERNBERG, The Honorable Joseph	... Bendigo.
34. WHITE, The Honorable Edward James	... Western.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 9th April, 1918.

* Absent on active service.

LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

SHOWING DATE WHEN FIRST ELECTED.

SESSION 1917-18.

No.	Member.	Province.	First Elected.
1*	MELVILLE, The Hon. D. ..	Melbourne North	1882
2*	DAVIES, The Hon. Sir J. M., K.C.M.G. (President since 6th July, 1910)	Melbourne ..	1889†
3	STERNBERG, The Hon. J. ..	Bendigo ..	1891§
4*	McBRYDE, The Hon. D. E. ..	South-Eastern ..	1891†§
5*	SACHSE, The Hon. A. O. (Chair- man of Committees since 3rd July, 1912)	North-Eastern ..	1892§
6*	CROOKE, The Hon. E. J. ..	Gippsland ..	1893§
7†	MANIFOLD, The Hon. Walter S.	Western ..	1901§
8*	PAYNE, The Hon. T. H. ..	Melbourne South ..	
9*	BAILLIEU, The Hon. W. L. ..	Northern ..	1901§
10	REES, The Hon. R. B... ..	North-Western ..	1903§
11	AIKMAN, The Hon. J. G. ..	Melbourne West ..	1904
12*	BROWN, The Hon. J. D. ..	Nelson ..	
13*	EDGAR, The Hon. W. H. ..	East Yarra ..	1904†§
14	HICKS, The Hon. A. ..	Bendigo ..	1904§
15	BRAWN, The Hon. F. W. ..	Wellington ..	1907§
16*	HAGELTHORN, The Hon. F. W.	North-Western ..	1907
17	WHITE, The Hon. E. J. ..	Western ..	
18*	ADAMSON, The Hon. W. A. ..	South-Eastern ..	1910
19	BEGGS, The Hon. T. ..	Nelson ..	
20*	JONES, The Hon. J. P. ..	Melbourne East ..	
21*	McWHAE, The Hon. J... ..	Melbourne ..	1910§
22	AUSTIN, The Hon. A. A. ..	South-Western ..	
23	CLARKE, The Hon. W. L. R. ..	Southern ..	1910§
24*	ROBINSON, The Hon. A. ..	Melbourne South..	1912§
25*	RICHARDSON, The Hon. H. F. \	South-Western ..	1912§
26	ANGLISS, The Hon. W. ..	Southern ..	1912§
27*	CLARKE, The Hon. F. G. ..	Northern ..	1913
28	MERRITT, The Hon. J. K. ..	East Yarra ..	1913§
29	BECKETT, The Hon. W. J. ..	Melbourne North..	1914§
30	DISNEY, The Hon. J. H. ..	Melbourne West ..	1916§
31*	KENDELL, The Hon. W. ..	North-Eastern ..	
32	DAVIS, The Hon. G. M... ..	Gippsland ..	1917§
33	BELL, The Hon. A. ..	Wellington ..	1917§
34	McNAMARA, The Hon. D. L. ..	Melbourne East ..	1917§

* Executive Councillor. † Service not continuous. ‡ Unofficial Leader since 3rd July, 1912. § By-Election.

1917-18.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF VICTORIA.

FIRST SESSION

OF THE

TWENTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

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DEVELOPMENTAL ROADS BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision for Developmental Roads and to amend the Country Roads Acts.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 27th March, 1918, p. 43.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed, 27th March, p. 44. (Assented to 4th April. Act No. 2944.)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Agreements between Medical Practitioners and Friendly Societies or Branches thereof and for other purposes.*"—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed; concurrence of Assembly in Council's amendments desired, 27th March, 1918, p. 44.

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GEELONG HARBOR TRUST BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Geelong Harbor Trust Acts and for other purposes.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th March, 1918, p. 40.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed, 26th March, p. 40. (Assented to 4th April. Act No. 2939.)

GEELONG WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE TRUST (BORROWING POWERS) BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 21st March, 1918, pp. 36-37.

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LAND TAX BILL.—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 eighteen.*"—(Hon. W. Kendell.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 6th December, 1917, p. 15.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed, 6th December, p. 16. (*Assented to 11th December. Act No. 2930.*)

MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Municipal Endowment.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 21st March, 1918, p. 36.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed, 21st March, p. 36. (*Assented to 26th March. Act No. 2935.*)

PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes.*"—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 12th March, 1918, p. 28.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed, 21st March, p. 35. (*Assented to 26th March. Act No. 2934.*)

RAILWAY LANDS ACQUISITION BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend Section Three of the 'Railway Lands Acquisition Act 1916'.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th March, 1918, p. 41.

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RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—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.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 27th March, 1918, p. 43.

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RAILWAYS BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Generation Use and Supply of Electricity by the Victorian Railways Commissioners.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th March, 1918, p. 40.

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RAILWAYS ADVANCES BILL.—Bill intituled "*An Act to apportion and extend the Time for the Repayments into 'The Public Account' of certain Moneys advanced or to be advanced under the 'Railways Advances Act 1912' the 'Railways Advances Act 1914 (No. 2)' and the 'Railways Advances Act 1915'.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 26th March, 1918, p. 40.

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***REAL PROPERTY ACT 1915 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill to amend the *Real Property Act 1915.*—(Hon. T. H. Payne.)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 5th February, 1918, p. 17.

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VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—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 for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for Public Works and other purposes.*"—(Hon. F. G. Clarke.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 12th March, 1918, p. 28.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read a third time and passed, 21st March, p. 35. (*Assented to 26th March. Act No. 2933.*)

WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—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 Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for other purposes.*"—(Hon. A. Robinson.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 21st March, 1918, p. 36.

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***WILLS' (SOLDIERS) BILL.**—Bill relating to the Disposition of the Estates of Persons engaged on War Service.—(*Hon. J. McWhae.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 4th December, 1917, p. 12.

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