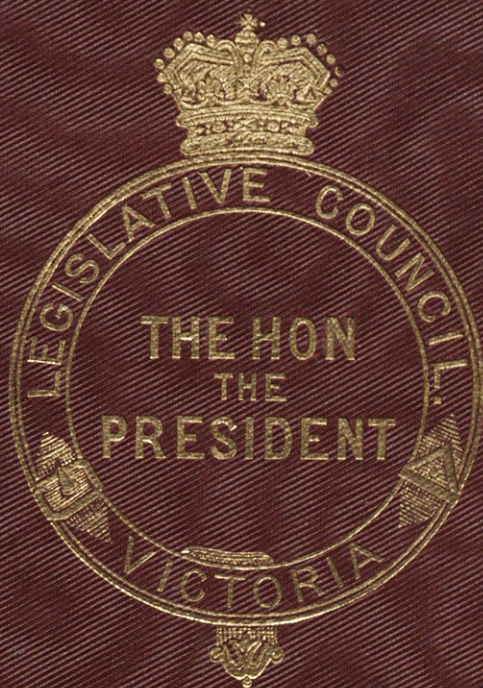


VICTORIA VOTES & PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEG. COUNCIL SBSS. 83



VICTORIA.



VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

DURING THE SESSION

1883,

WITH COPIES OF THE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS ORDERED BY
THE COUNCIL TO BE PRINTED.

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Names arranged in Order of Retirement.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
MELBOURNE PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
James Lorimer	17 Aug. 1880	...	1890	Assigned from original Central Province.
William Edward Hearn ... ..	...	27 Aug. 1878	1888	
Cornelius Job Ham ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1886	
NORTH YARRA PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
Francis Edis Beaver ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1888	Assigned from original Central Province.
George Meares, C.M.G. ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1886	
Theodotus John Sumner	15 Aug. 1874	...	1884	
SOUTH YARRA PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
James Graham	15 Aug. 1876	...	1886	Assigned from original Central Province.
James MacBain	17 Nov. 1882	...	...	Assigned from original Central Province, retired by rotation, and re-elected to South Yarra Province.
Frederick Thomas Sargood	17 Nov. 1882	...	...	NOTE.—The Hons. J. MacBain and F. T. Sargood having been elected without a poll having taken place, the date of their retirement to be decided by lot.
SOUTHERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
Sir William John Clarke, Bart.	17 Aug. 1878	...	1888	Assigned from original South Province.
Donald Melville ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1886	Assigned from original South Province.
Thomas Ferrier Hamilton	18 Aug. 1874	...	1884	
SOUTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
James Balfour	17 Aug. 1880	...	1890	Assigned from original South Province.
Frank Stanley Dobson	17 Nov. 1882	...	1888	Assigned from original South Province, retired by rotation, and re-elected for the South-Eastern Province.
James Buchanan... ..	...	29 Aug. 1876	1886	Assigned from original South Province.
NELSON PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
James Williamson ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1888	Assigned from original Western Province, elected in place of the Hon. R. Simson retired by rotation from such Province.
Holford Highlord Wettenhall	28 Dec. 1882	...	1886	Elected on the resignation and in the place of The Hon. Sir C. Sladen, assigned from original Western Province.
Thomas Bromell ... ..	...	11 Sept. 1874	1884	Assigned from original Western Province.
WESTERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
Thomas Forrest Cumming ... ..	...	2 May 1881	1890	Assigned from original Western Province.
William Ross	29 Aug. 1878	...	1888	
Nathan Thornley	17 Nov. 1882	...	1886	
WELLINGTON PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
James Campbell	17 Nov. 1882	...	1888	Elected in place of Hon. F. Ormond, assigned from original South-Western Province, and who retired by rotation from such Province.
George Frederick Belcher... ..	...	4 Sept. 1876	1886	Assigned from original South-Western Province.
Henry Cuthbert	20 Mar. 1880	...	1884	
SOUTH-WESTERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
Philip Russell	4 Sept. 1880	1890	Assigned from original South-Western Province.
Caleb Joshua Jenner	24 Aug. 1878	...	1888	
Francis Ormond	30 Nov. 1882	1886	

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Names arranged in Order of Retirement.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
Patrick Hanna	17 Nov. 1882	...	1888	Assigned from original Eastern Province.
Robert Stirling Anderson...	5 Sept. 1876	...	1886	
John Alston Wallace	5 Sept. 1874	...	1884	
GIPPSLAND PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
William McCulloch ... ..	...	16 Sept. 1880	1890	Assigned from original Eastern Province.
John George Dougharty ... ..	...	7 Aug. 1880	1888	
William Pearson... ..	17 Nov. 1882	...	1886	Assigned from original Eastern Province, retired by rotation, and re-elected to the Gippsland Province.
NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
William Austin Zeal	17 Nov. 1882	...	1888	Elected for original North-Western Province (6th May 1882) in place of the Hon. W. Campbell, resigned; assigned to North-Central Province, retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Edward Stanbridge ... ..	...	15 Dec. 1881	1886	
Nicholas Fitzgerald	4 Sept. 1874	...	1884	
NORTHERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
Sir William Henry Fancourt Mitchell	4 Sept. 1880	...	1890	Assigned from original North-Western Province.
Francis Robertson ... ..	...	16 Sept. 1878	1888	
David Chaplin Sterry ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1886	
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE :				
The Honorables—				
James Bell ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1888	
David Coutts ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1886	
George Young ... ..	...	30 Nov. 1882	1884	

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Council,
Melbourne, 27th February, 1883.

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			First Reading.	Second Reading.	Committal.	Report.	Re-committal.	Report after Re-committal.	Adoption of Report.	Third Reading.		Passing.	Returned to Legislative Assembly with Amendments, or with Amendments insisted on.	Returned from Legislative Assembly :		Amendments considered.	Amendments recommended by Governor.	Amendments considered.	Assent.	Published in Government Gazette.				
										With Amendments.	Without Amendments.		Without Amendments, or with Amendments agreed to.	With Amendments, or with Amendments disagreed to.										
1	Local Government Act Further Amendment Bill	Honorable R. S. Anderson 3 July	1883. 3 July	1883. 11 July	1883. 11 July	1883. 28 August	1883. 4 Sept.	1883. 4 Sept.	1883. 5 Sept.	1883. 5 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 5 Sept.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 31 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. Supplement to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXXVI.			
2	Bills of Exchange Bill	Honorable Dr. Dobson 3 July	1883. 3 July	1883. { 10 July } 11 July	1883. 11 July	1883. 17 July	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 24 October	1883. 24 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXXII.			
3	Inebriates Act Amendment Bill ..	Honorable W. E. Hearn 10 July	1883. 10 July	1883. 17 July	1883. 17 July	1883. 9 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 14 August	1883. ..	1883. 14 August	1883. 14 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Not returned from Legislative Assembly.	
4	Betting Law Amendment Bill	Honorable W. E. Hearn 10 July	1883. 10 July	1883. { 17 July } 18 July	1883. 18 July	1883. 18 July	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 18 July	1883. ..	1883. 9 August	1883. 9 August	1883. ..	1883. 24 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	DCCLXXX.		Order for second reading discharged, 17 July 1883.	
5	Explosives Act Amendment Bill ..	Honorable F. T. Sargood 10 July	1883. 10 July	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Not returned from Legislative Assembly.	
6	Dog Bill	Honorable R. S. Anderson 11 July	1883. 11 July	1883. 18 July	1883. 18 July	1883. 24 July	1883. 7 August	1883. 8 August	1883. 14 August	1883. ..	1883. 14 August	1883. 14 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Order for second reading discharged, 17 July 1883.
7	Post Office Law Amendment Bill ..	Honorable F. T. Sargood 24 July	1883. 24 July	1883. 1 August	1883. 1 August	1883. 2 August	1883. 7 August	1883. 7 August	1883. 8 August	1883. 8 August	1883. ..	1883. 8 August	1883. 8 August	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 31 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXXI.		Not returned from Legislative Assembly.
8	Property Law Amendment Bill	Honorable W. E. Hearn 24 July	1883. 24 July	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Order for second reading discharged, 9 October 1883.
9	Consolidated Revenue Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 24 July	1883. 24 July	1883. 24 July	1883. 24 July	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 24 July	1883. ..	1883. 24 July	1883. 24 July	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 27 July	1883. 27 July	DCCLXVI.			
10	The Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company's Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 31 July	1883. 1 August	1883. 14 August	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 10 Oct.	1883. 10 Oct.	1883. 10 Oct.	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLXV.			
11	Custody of Infants Bill	Honorable W. E. Hearn 14 August	1883. 14 August	1883. 21 August	1883. 21 August	1883. 21 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 28 August	1883. ..	1883. 28 August	1883. 28 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Not returned from Legislative Assembly.
12	Trades Unions Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 21 August	1883. 28 August	1883. 28 August	1883. 4 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Lapsed, 1 November 1883.
13	Railways Management Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 21 August	1883. { 28 Aug. } 29 August	1883. 29 August	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. 12 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 2 October	1883. 2 October	1883. 2 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. Supplement to 2 Nov.	DCCLXVII.			
14	Mining on Private Property Bill ..	Honorable F. T. Sargood 22 August	1883. 22 August	1883. { 25 Sept. } 9 Oct.	1883. 9 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 Oct.	1883. 3 Oct.	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLXI.		Lapsed.
15	Supreme Court Judicature Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 22 August	1883. 22 August	1883. 5 Sept.	1883. 5 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. 11 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 Oct.	1883. 3 Oct.	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLXI.		
16	Railway Loan Account Application Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 28 August	1883. 28 August	1883. 29 August	1883. 29 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 29 August	1883. ..	1883. 29 August	1883. 29 August	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 31 August	1883. 31 August	DCCLVII.			
17	Swanston-street Temporary Bridge Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 27 Sept.	1883. 28 Sept.	DCCLIX.			
18	Homesteads Protection Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Ordered to be read a second time "this day six months," 2 October 1883.
19	Literary Associations Incorporation Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 25 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 October	1883. ..	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. 9 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLXIV.			
20	Consolidated Revenue Bill (2)	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 27 Sept.	1883. 28 Sept.	DCCLXIII.			
21	Melbourne Harbor Trust Act Amendment Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 26 Sept.	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. ..	1883. 3 October	1883. ..	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 9 Oct.	1883. 9 Oct.	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLXIII.				
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23	Mallee Pastoral Leases Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 2 October	1883. 2 October	1883. 9 October	1883. 9 October	1883. 9 October	1883. ..	1883. 10 October	1883. ..	1883. 10 October	1883. 10 October	1883. 10 October	1883. 10 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLXVI.			
24	Railway Loan Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 2 October	1883. 2 October	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. 3 October	1883. ..	1883. 9 October	1883. ..	1883. 9 October	1883. 9 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 10 Oct.	1883. 10 Oct.	1883. 12 October	1883. 12 October	DCCLX.				
25	Marriage and Matrimonial Causes Statute Amendment Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 9 October	1883. 9 October	1883. 16 October	1883. 16 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure 1 November 1883. Not returned from Legislative Assembly.
26	Passengers, Harbors, and Navigation Statute Amendment Bill	Honorable F. E. Beaver 16 October	1883. 16 October	1883. 23 October	1883. 23 October	1883. 23 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 23 October	1883. ..	1883. 23 October	1883. 23 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	
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29	Dunolly Market Site Exchange Bill ..	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 16 October	1883. 16 October	1883. 23 October	1883. 23 October	1883. 23 October	1883. ..	1883. 23 October	1883. ..	1883. 23 October	1883. 23 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXI.			
30	Employers' Liability Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 16 October	1883. 16 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	Lapsed.
31	Customs Laws Consolidation Bill ..	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 17 October	1883. 17 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 30 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXVIII.			
32	Regulation and Inspection of Mines and Machinery Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 24 October	1883. 24 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 31 October	1883. ..	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXXIII.			
33	The Melbourne Tramway and Omnibus Company Limited Branches Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXXIV.			
34	Criminal Law Amendment Bill	Honorable W. E. Hearn 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXV.		Not returned from Legislative Assembly.	
35	Expiring Laws Continuation Bill ..	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. 25 October	1883. 25 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXVI.			
36	Railway Loan Accounts Application Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 30 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. ..	1883. 31 October	1883. ..	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXVII.			
37	Victorian Water Conservation Act Amendment Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 30 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. ..	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. ..	1883. 3 Nov.	1883. to 2 Nov.	DCCLXXVIII.			
38	Public Health Bill	Message from Legislative Assembly	1883. 30 October	1883. 30 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 31 October	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.	1883. 1 Nov.													

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1883.

1. The Council met pursuant to Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor bearing date the 24th day of February 1883, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Most Honorable GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom ; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland ; a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council ; Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Act* it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor to fix such places within Victoria, and, subject to the limitations therein contained, such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Council and Assembly, and to vary and alter the same respectively in such manner as he might think fit ; and also from time to time to prorogue the said Council and Assembly, and to dissolve the said Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he should deem it expedient : And whereas the said Council and Assembly are called "The Parliament of Victoria," and it is expedient to fix the time for holding the next Session thereof : Now therefore I, the Governor of Victoria, in exercise of the power conferred by the said Act, do by this my Proclamation fix Tuesday the twenty-seventh day of February instant as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Council and Assembly, called the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at Twelve of the clock at noon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Parliament place, Spring street, in the City of Melbourne : And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, this twenty-fourth day of February, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and in the forty-sixth year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

NORMANBY.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. M. GRANT,

Chief Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN !

Commissioners from His Excellency the Governor appointed to open the Parliament having been introduced to the Council Chamber by the Usher, the Senior Commissioner desired the Usher to request the presence of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to hear the Commission for opening and holding this present Session of Parliament read.

The Assembly having presented themselves, the Commission was read by the Clerk and is as follows :—

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith:

WHEREAS by Proclamation made the twenty-fourth day of February instant by His Excellency the Most Honorable GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom ; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland ; a Member of Our Most Honorable Privy Council ; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, the said GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, did fix Tuesday the twenty-seventh day of February instant as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Our said Colony, called "The Parliament of Victoria," for the despatch of business, at Twelve of the clock at noon, in the Parliament Houses, situate in Parliament place, Spring street,

in the City of Melbourne: And forasmuch as for certain causes the said GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, cannot conveniently be present in person in the said Parliament at that time: NOW KNOW YE THAT WE, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved The Honorable SIR WILLIAM FOSTER STAWELL, Knight, the Chief Justice of Our Supreme Court of Victoria, and the Honorable ROBERT MOLESWORTH, a Justice of Our said Court, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto you the said SIR WILLIAM FOSTER STAWELL and ROBERT MOLESWORTH, or either of you, full power in Our name to begin and hold Our said Parliament, and to do everything which for and by Us, or the said GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, shall be there to be done; commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it may concern to meet Our said Parliament, and to the said SIR WILLIAM FOSTER STAWELL and ROBERT MOLESWORTH, or either of them, that they diligently attend in the premises and form aforesaid. In testimony whereof We have caused the Seal of Our said Colony to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS Our right trusty and entirely-beloved Cousin and Counsellor the Most Honorable GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland; a Member of Our Most Honorable Privy Council; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c., at Melbourne, this twenty-sixth day of February, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and in the forty-sixth year of Our reign.

(L.S.)

NORMANBY.

By His Excellency's Command,

BRYAN O'LOGHLEN.

Entered on Record by me in the Register of Patents, Book 22, page 80, this twenty-sixth day of February, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

T. R. WILSON.

And then Sir William Foster Stawell said—

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:

We have it in command from His Excellency to let you know that on a future day, of which due notice will be given, His Excellency will declare to you in person in this place the causes of his calling this Parliament together; and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, as it is necessary before you proceed to the despatch of business that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, His Excellency requests that you, in your chamber, will proceed to the choice of a proper person to be the Speaker.

The Legislative Assembly withdrew.

The Commissioners withdrew.

The President took the Chair.

The President read the prayer.

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables the President, R. S. Anderson, F. Robertson, J. Graham, J. Williamson, J. Lorimer, W. E. Hearn, W. A. Zeal, J. G. Dougharty, Dr. Dobson, F. T. Sargood, C. J. Ham, T. F. Cumming, W. Pearson, F. Ormond, C. J. Jenner, Sir W. J. Clarke, D. C. Sterry, J. Buchanan, P. Hanna, and J. A. Wallace severally delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the thirteenth clause of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM HENRY FANCOURT MITCHELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Fifteen hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Metcalfe, and are known as Four thousand seven hundred acres, of the Barfold Estate, in the parish of Emberton, in the county of Dalhousie, in my own occupation.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Metcalfe are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand five hundred pounds.

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

“W. H. F. MITCHELL.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, ROBERT STIRLING ANDERSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as part of portion 81, parish of Boroondara, in the borough of Kew, comprising over thirteen acres, with two residences thereon, one of which is occupied by Mr. William Coulter, and in the other of which I reside.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and five pounds.

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

"ROBERT S. ANDERSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, FRANCIS ROBERTSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Essendon and Flemington, and are known as Essendon House and land in my own occupation.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Essendon and Flemington are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £245.

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

"FRANCIS ROBERTSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES GRAHAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as stores and offices occupied by the firm of Graham Brothers and Company.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds.

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

"JAS. GRAHAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES WILLIAMSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as—

"'Tintern,' Toorak.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred pounds.

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

"JAS. WILLIAMSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES LORIMER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and seventy pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment, and further that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as Belcroft, Albany road, Toorak, in my own occupation.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and seventy pounds.

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

"JAMES LORIMER."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM EDWARD HEARN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Flinders and Kangerong, and are known as allotments 22 and 29 B, in the parish of Wannaeue, and as part of Burrell's pre-emptive right in the said parish.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Flinders and Kangerong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds.

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

"W. E. HEARN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM AUSTIN ZEAL, of Melbourne, civil engineer, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Emerald Hill, and are known as—

"Crown allotment 4 sec. 1; also part of Crown portion 18 parish of Prahran.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Emerald Hill are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £313; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £34.

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

"W. A. ZEAL."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JOHN GEORGE DOUGHARTY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Omeo, and are known as freehold lands and tenements in the parishes of Hinnomungie, Bindi, Tongio, and Omeo, in the county of Omeo.

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

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

"JOHN G. DOUGHARTY."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, FRANK STANLEY DOBSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and seventy pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Hawthorn and Prahran, and are known as—

"House, Yarra street, Hawthorn, in the occupation of Joseph Raleigh; land in Yarra street, aforesaid, in my own occupation; house in Church street, Hawthorn, in the occupation of Mrs. M. A. Gilbert; and house in Darling street, Prahran, in my own occupation.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situated in the municipal district of Hawthorn are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and forty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and thirty pounds.

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

"F. STANLEY DOBSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, FREDERICK THOMAS SARGOOD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Eight hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as—

"Forty-five acres of land and dwelling-house in East St. Kilda, known as Ripon Lea.

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

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

"F. T. SARGOOD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, CORNELIUS JOB HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as—

"Dwelling-house and premises (known as 'Lalbert') situated in the Orrong road, Prahran, with about 11 acres of land, in my own occupation.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and fifteen pounds.

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

"C. J. HAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, THOMAS FORREST CUMMING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as Chesterfield, corner of Glenferrie and Toorak roads, part of section 24, parish of Prahran, shire of Malvern, and in the electoral division of Gardiner.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Malvern are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds.

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

"THOS. F. CUMMING."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as—

"Kilmany Park.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Rosedale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two thousand nine hundred pounds.

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

"WM. PEARSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, FRANCIS ORMOND, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands and tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands and tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as:—

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds.

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

"FRANCIS ORMOND."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, CALEB JOSHUA JENNER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as:—

"No. 1. Shop and two houses, at the corner of King and Rosslyn streets, being Crown allotment 11, sec. 49, North Melbourne, county of Bourke.

"No. 2. Two houses, Little Collins street, being Crown allotment 11, sec. 16A, town of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke.

"No. 3. Store, Little Collins street west, being Crown allotment 10, sec. 16A, town of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke.

"No. 4. Store, corner of Collins and King streets, being part of allotment 1, sec. 15, town and parish of Melbourne, county of Bourke.

"No. 5. Store, No. 141 Collins street west, being part of allotment 1, sec. 15, town of Melbourne, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £664, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £664.

"No. 1. Rated in the rate-book of the city of Melbourne, at One hundred and twenty-four pounds per annum.

"No. 2. Rated in the rate-book of the city of Melbourne, at One hundred and fifty pounds per annum.

"No. 3. Rated in the rate-book of the city of Melbourne, at Sixty pounds per annum.

"No. 4. Rated in the rate-book of the city of Melbourne, at Two hundred pounds per annum.

"No. 5. Rated in the rate-book of the city of Melbourne, at One hundred and thirty pounds per annum.

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

"C. J. JENNER."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM JOHN CLARKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the shire of Merriang, and the parishes of Kalkallo, Mickleham, and Merriang, in the county or reputed county of Bourke, the description of which lands and tenements are as follows:—Three thousand eight hundred and ninety-three acres of land, shire of Merriang, parishes of Kalkallo, Mickleham, and Merriang.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situated in the municipal district of Merriang, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Nine hundred and eighty pounds.

Name of Municipal District.	Owner.	No. on Rate-book.	Situation and description of rated property.	Full nett annual value.
Shire of Merriang, Donnybrook riding	William John Clarke	74	Parishes of Kalkallo, Mickleham, and Merriang, 3,893 acres	£980

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

"W. J. CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, DAVID CHAPLIN STERRY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Sandhurst, and are known as—

"The land and premises of the Gold Mine's Hotel, and land at the corner of Forest and Rowan streets, Sandhurst.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Sandhurst are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and eight pounds.

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

"D. C. STERRY."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES BUCHANAN, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and fifteen pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Berwick, and are known as Harkaway, near Berwick, and now in the occupation of Ralph Brunt.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Berwick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifteen pounds.

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

"JAMES BUCHANAN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, PATRICK HANNA, of William street, Melbourne, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as—

"121, 123, 125, 127, William street and LaTrobe street, Melbourne, and Alliance Engineering Workshops, LaTrobe street, and the Royal Mint Foundry, 107 Little Lonsdale street, city of Melbourne, and other freehold property in Victoria not requisite in this declaration.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Five hundred and seventy-five pounds.

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

“PATRICK HANNA,
“William street, Melbourne,
“27th February, 1883.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JOHN ALSTON WALLACE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and twenty-three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment, and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Sandridge, Towong, and Beechworth, and are known as—

- “(1.) The Bayview Hotel, land and premises, Beach street, Sandridge ; No. in rate-book, 37.
- “(2.) Wallace’s paddock, area 639 acres, Beringa, near Bethanga, in the shire of Towong.
- “(3.) Wallace’s allotments of land at Wooragee, area 666 acres, in the united shire of Beechworth.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Sandridge, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Towong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Beechworth (that is to say, the “United Shire of Beechworth”) are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Sixty-three pounds (£63), number in the rate-book 2211.

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

“JOHN A. WALLACE.”

3. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that he had received a Return to the Writ he had issued for the election of a Member to serve for the Nelson Province, by which it appeared that Holford Highlord Wettenhall, grazier, had been duly elected in pursuance thereof.
4. ISSUE OF WRIT.—The President also announced that he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the electoral Province of North Yarra, in the place of the Honorable T. J. Sumner, whose seat had become vacant by reason of his having, without permission of the Council, failed to give his attendance for one entire session of Parliament.
5. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Dr. Dobson moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Thursday next, at five minutes to two o’clock.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Council adjourned at a quarter past twelve o’clock until Thursday next at five minutes to two o’clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 2.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 1ST MARCH, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.

4. APPROACH OF THE GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Governor was announced.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The requisite provision for the public service of this year remains still to be made. It is not necessary to call your attention to the variety of causes which have brought about this delay, but, in view of this pressing circumstance, I have felt it my duty to summon Parliament together for the despatch of public business as soon as possible after the elections have taken place.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates of Expenditure for the year will be laid before you at once, and it will be imperative at the earliest possible period to make adequate provision for the public service. These Estimates will, I have no doubt, receive your immediate and careful consideration.

It will also be necessary to lay before you a Temporary Advances Bill to authorize the Treasurer to make further advances towards carrying on public works already sanctioned by the Legislature.

I am enabled with much gratification to congratulate you on the satisfactory condition of the public finances. The revenue, as shown by the published returns, has been steadily increasing, and has, during the first eight months of the present financial year, exceeded the proportionate part of the Estimates of Revenue laid before the late Parliament.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

It is deemed by my Advisers desirable that this session of Parliament should be principally occupied in making due provision for the services of the year, thus enabling Ministers, after a brief recess, to meet Parliament, in accordance with the constitutional practice, at the proper time for the introduction of the Estimates for the ensuing financial year, when the numerous and important measures which they brought before the late Parliament will be introduced. In such second session, which might thus reasonably commence after Easter, the Amending Land Bill, the Railway Construction Bill, and the Amending Water Conservation Bill would be pressed forward for your early consideration.

The Continuation of Expiring Laws, including the Drawbacks Act, and the Act to reimburse Members of the Legislative Assembly their expenses in relation to their attendance in Parliament will also be a matter of urgency to be considered during this session.

The prosperity which the colony has for some time past enjoyed happily continues to exist. The construction of the great public works of the colony has been vigorously pushed on. Labour has been fully employed and Capital has been earning good returns. It is to be hoped that this happy state of things may continue, and I trust that under the blessing of Divine Providence your counsels may be guided to the advancement of the public welfare.

5. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables N. Fitzgerald, G. F. Belcher, George Young, Geo. Meares, F. E. Beaver, Wm. McCulloch, James Campbell, W. E. Stanbridge, N. Thornley, D. Melville, and James Bell delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the 13th clause of the Act 45 Vict., No. 702, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, NICHOLAS FITZGERALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds, above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Castlemaine and St. Kilda, and are known as—

“Malt-houses, dwelling-houses, at Castlemaine, in the county of Talbot, and at St. Kilda, in the county of Bourke,

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Castlemaine and St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One thousand and eighty pounds.

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

“N. FITZGERALD.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, GEORGE FREDERICK BELCHER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Geelong North, and are known as :—

“No. on Roll 26, freehold, amount of rating £778 per annum.—Moorabool, Rynie, and Little Malop streets, Villamanta Ward.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Geelong North are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Seven hundred and seventy-eight pounds.

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

“G. F. BELCHER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, GEORGE YOUNG, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Wimmera, and are known as—firstly, part of allotment 5 of section 1, town and parish of Horsham, county of Borung ; secondly, allotment 3, parish of Kewell West, county of Borung.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Wimmera are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and fifty-two pounds.

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

“GEORGE YOUNG.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, GEORGE MEARES, C.M.G., do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as—

“Grosvenor House, Walsh street, South Yarra. Citizens' Roll, Albert Ward—Walsh street, House, Freehold.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds.

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

“GEO. MEARES.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, FRANCIS EDIS BEAVER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Jika, and are known as—

“Thirty acres of freehold land, more or less, with residence and out-offices erected thereon, situated at High street, Northcote, and in my own occupation.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Jika are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds.

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

“F. E. BEAVER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WM. McCULLOCH, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and ninety-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Broadmeadows, and are known as Glenroy.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Broadmeadows are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £298.

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

“WM. McCULLOCH.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES CAMPBELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and seventy-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of the shire of Bairnsdale, and are known as—

“Clifton Park Estate.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Bairnsdale are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and seventy-two pounds.

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

“JAMES CAMPBELL.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM EDWARD STANBRIDGE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and forty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Daylesford, and are known as brick buildings erected on allotment 4 of section 6, township of Daylesford, parish of Wombat, county of Talbot.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Daylesford are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and forty pounds sterling.

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

“W. E. STANBRIDGE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, NATHAN THORNLEY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and thirty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Kew, Colac, Hamilton, and Portland, and are known as—

“Part of Crown portion 71, parish of Boroondara, county of Bourke.

“Part of Crown portion 17, parish of Cundare, county of Grenville.

“Crown allotments 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 10A, 51, 52, 55, 56, 57, 73, 74, 75, and 76, South Hamilton, county of Normanby.

“Allotment 1 of sec. 7, township of Portland, county of Normanby.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Eighty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Colac are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Twenty-five pounds, and that such of the said lands and tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hamilton are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Twenty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Portland are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Five pounds.

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

“N. THORNLEY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, DONALD MELVILLE, of Albion street, West Brunswick, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brunswick and Pyalong, and are known as—

“House and land in Albion street west, house and land situate in Hope street, and land situate in Duckett street, all in the borough of Brunswick; and 206 acres situate in the shire of Pyalong.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and thirty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Pyalong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Twenty-eight pounds. House and land in Albion street west, house and land in Hope street, and land in Duckett street, all in the borough of Brunswick; and land containing 206 acres situate in the shire of Pyalong.

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

“D. MELVILLE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES BELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of borough of Dunolly, and are known as—

“Allotments 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9, section 26, town of Dunolly.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of borough of Dunolly are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and twenty pounds.

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

“JAMES BELL.”

6. NEW MEMBER.—The Honorable Holford Highlord Wettenhall being introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by the 32nd clause of the Constitution Act, and delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the 13th clause of the Act No. 702, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, HOLFORD HIGHLORD WETTENHALL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Stawell shire, and are known as—

“Karra Karra Freehold Estate.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Stawell shire are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and three pounds.

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

“HOLFORD H. WETTENHALL.”

7. PRIVILEGES OF PARLIAMENT BILL.—The Honorable Dr. Dobson moved, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to preserve the Privileges of Parliament.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable Dr. Dobson do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable Dr. Dobson then brought up a Bill, intituled “*A Bill to preserve the Privileges of Parliament,*” and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 6th March instant.

8. PAPERS.—The Honorable Dr. Dobson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—Mining Statute 1865.—Order in Council.—Polling Places for Mining Districts.

Woods and Westinghouse Continuous Automatic Railway Brakes.—Report of the Brake Trial Board on the Woods and Westinghouse Continuous Automatic Railway Brakes.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

9. SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

The Honorable H. H. Wettenhall moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency the Governor's opening Speech.

The Honorable W. E. Hearn moved, as an amendment, That the following words be added after the last word "Speech," viz., "and that it be an instruction to such Committee to include in their draft of the Address an expression of the regret of this House that Parliament has been dissolved without the passing of an Appropriation Act."

Debate ensued.

Amendment by leave withdrawn.

Question—That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency the Governor's opening Speech—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. H. Wettenhall moved, That such Committee consist of the Honorables R. S. Anderson, W. E. Hearn, F. T. Sargood, G. F. Belcher, C. J. Ham, J. Campbell, Dr. Dobson, N. Thornley, and the Mover.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Select Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable H. H. Wettenhall brought up the Address prepared by the Committee, which was read at the Table by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency the Most Honorable GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland; a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council; Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, Her Most Gracious Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Members of the Legislative Council of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire to approach Your Excellency with renewed expressions of our loyalty and attachment to Her Majesty's Throne and Person.

We concur with Your Excellency that the requisite provision for the public service of this year remains still to be made. We thank Your Excellency for informing us that it is not necessary to call our attention to the variety of causes which have brought about this delay, but that, in view of this pressing circumstance, Your Excellency has felt it your duty to summon Parliament together for the despatch of public business as soon as possible after the elections have taken place.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that it is deemed by your Advisers desirable that this session of Parliament should be principally occupied in making due provision for the services of the year, thus enabling Ministers, after a brief recess, to meet Parliament, in accordance with the constitutional practice, at the proper time for the introduction of the Estimates for the ensuing financial year, when the numerous and important measures which they brought before the late Parliament will be introduced. We also thank Your Excellency for informing us that in such second session, which might thus reasonably commence after Easter, the Amending Land Bill, the Railway Construction Bill, and the Amending Water Conservation Bill would be pressed forward for our early consideration.

We agree with Your Excellency that the Continuation of Expiring Laws, including the Drawbacks Act, and the Act to reimburse Members of the Legislative Assembly their Expenses in relation to their attendance in Parliament, will also be a matter of urgency to be considered during this session.

We express our pleasure that the prosperity which the colony has for some time past enjoyed happily continues to exist; that the construction of the great public works of the colony has been vigorously pushed on; and that Labour has been fully employed, and Capital has been earning good returns. We concur with Your Excellency that it is to be hoped that this happy state of things may continue, and we trust that under the blessing of Divine Providence our counsels may be guided to the advancement of the public welfare.

The Honorable H. H. Wettenhall moved, That the Address be now adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. H. Wettenhall moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President and such Members as may desire to accompany him, at such time as His Excellency may be pleased to receive the Address.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The Honorable Dr. Dobson, with leave of the Council, moved, without notice, That the Honorable C. J. Jenner be Chairman of Committees.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable Dr. Dobson moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Council adjourned at five minutes to four o'clock until Tuesday next at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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No. 3.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables P. Russell, W. Ross, J. Balfour, and David Coutts, severally delivered to the Clerk the declarations required by the 13th clause of the Act 45 Vict., No. 702, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, PHILIP RUSSELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ripon, and are known as lands in the parishes of Carngham and Chepstowe, in the county of Ripon, in my own occupation.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ripon are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds.

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

“PHILIP RUSSELL.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, WILLIAM ROSS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand and sixty-nine pounds, above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mount Rouse, and are known as the Gums Estate.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mount Rouse are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Two thousand and sixty-nine pounds.

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

“WM. ROSS.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES BALFOUR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as house and grounds known as Tyalla, Toorak.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds.

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

“JAMES BALFOUR.”

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No 702, I, DAVID COUTTS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred and ten pounds eighteen shillings above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of East Loddon and Korong shires, and are known as—

"'Elmswood Estate,' 3450 acres; also, hotel and buildings, township of Serpentine, in the East Loddon shire; land, parishes of Powlett and Salisbury, Korong shire.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of East Loddon are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Four hundred and thirty-one pounds eighteen shillings; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Korong shire are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Seventy-nine pounds.

"East Loddon shire, 'Elmswood Estate,' 3,450 acres; also, hotel and buildings, Serpentine township, shire of Korong; land, parishes of Powlett and Salisbury.

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

"DAVID COUTTS."

5. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law relating to the University of Melbourne.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Honorable R. S. Anderson and the Honorable F. T. Sargood do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to further amend the Law relating to the University of Melbourne,*" and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—The Council ordered that the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow:—

Privileges of Parliament Bill—To be read a second time.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Council adjourned at seventeen minutes to five o'clock until to-morrow at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 4.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH MARCH, 1883.

1. There being no quorum of Members present at the expiration of half an hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the Council, the President took the Chair, and announced that he would take the Chair again at half-past four o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1883.

2. The President took the Chair at half-past four o'clock.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. REPLY TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS.—The President announced to the Council that the Address of the Council to His Excellency the Governor, adopted on the 1st instant, had been presented in accordance with the resolution of the House, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make thereto the following reply :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN :

I thank you for your Address, and receive with pleasure the renewed expressions of attachment and loyalty towards Her Majesty which you convey to me.

Government House,
Melbourne, 8th March, 1883.

NORMANBY,
Governor.

5. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that he had received a Return to the Writ he had issued for the election of a Member to serve for the electoral Province of North Yarra, by which it appeared that James George Beaney had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.
6. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, by leave of the Council, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 3rd April next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two and three,*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 7th March, 1883.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

8. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two and three,*" be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed and read a second time this day.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And on the further motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the same to be read a third time this day.

The President 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 the Honorable F. T. Sargood, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—“*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Five hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two and three.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1878’ certain sums of money towards the completion of certain public works,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,

Speaker.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 7th March, 1883.

10. PUBLIC WORKS TEMPORARY ADVANCES BILL 1883.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled, “*An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1878’ certain sums of money towards the completion of certain public works,*” be now read a first time.

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

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And on the further motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner, having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the same to be read a third time this day.

The President 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 the Honorable F. T. Sargood, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill:—“*An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1878,’ certain sums of money towards the completion of certain public works.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

11. NEW MEMBER.—The Honorable James George Beaney being introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by the 32nd clause of the Constitution Act, and delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the 13th clause of the Act No. 702, as hereunder set forth—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, JAMES GEORGE BEANEY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred and twenty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 44, 46, 48, and 50 Russell street, and 114, 116, and 119 Collins street east, in the city of Melbourne.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Seven hundred and fifty pounds.

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

“JAMES GEO. BEANEY, M.D.”

12. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were presented by The Honorable F. T. Sargood, and the same were read, and are as follow :—

NORMANBY,
Governor,

Message No. 1.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has caused An Act intituled "*An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of the Legislative Council Elections for 1882 Act*," which was reserved on the 24th July last, for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, and which received Her Majesty's assent on the 30th November ultimo, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, a copy of which is transmitted herewith.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 5th March, 1883.

NORMANBY,
Governor.

Message No. 2.

Having reference to the Address conveying to Her Majesty the Queen the congratulations of the Legislative Council on the brilliant victories that have attended Her Majesty's combined forces in Egypt, the Governor acquaints the Legislative Council that he has received from The Right Honorable The Secretary of State for the Colonies a further Despatch, a copy of which is annexed, bearing upon this subject.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 5th March, 1883.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and together with enclosures to be printed.

13. PAPERS.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—

Land Act 1869. Order in Council—Regulation.

Discipline Act 1870. Additional Regulations of the Military Torpedo Corps.

Mining Surveyors and Registrars—Reports of the.—Quarter ended 31st December, 1882.

Census of Victoria 1881. Part V.—Education of the People.

Friendly Societies—Fourth Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Government Statist in connection with—being for the year 1881.

Hawthorn Railway Accident.—Minutes of Evidence taken at the Inquest held by the Coroner, Dr. Youl, on the death of William Cozens Thomas, 13th to 20th December, 1882.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood presented :—

Naval and Artillery Forces. Return to an Order of the Legislative Council, dated 7th December, 1882, for Returns in the following form :—

I. A RETURN of all Officers of the Victorian Naval Forces (exclusive of the Naval Reserve) giving—

Name.	Rank.	Length of service in the Royal Navy.	Rank while in the Royal Navy.	Date of retirement from the Royal Navy.	Date of appointment or transfer to Colonial Service.	If passed through the course of instruction as carried out at Portsmouth and Chatham.	Date of such passing.	If qualified in gunnery.	Date of so qualifying.

II. A RETURN of all the Officers of the paid Artillery Force, giving—

Name.	Rank.	Length of Service in the Royal Artillery.	In which branch—Horse, Field, or Garrison.	Rank while in the Royal Artillery.	Date of Retirement from the Royal Artillery.	If passed through a course of gunnery at the school of gunnery at Shoeburyness or Woolwich.	Date of passing.

Ordered to lie on the Table and to be printed.

14. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—The Council ordered that the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 3rd April next :—

University of Melbourne Law Further Amendment Bill—To be read a second time.

Privileges of Parliament Bill—To be read a second time.

The Council adjourned at three minutes past five o'clock until Tuesday, 3rd April next, at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 5.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that he had received a return to the Writ he had issued for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Eastern Province, by which it appeared that the Honorable Robert Stirling Anderson, Minister of Justice, had been duly elected in pursuance of the said Writ.

5. NEW MEMBER.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson, being introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by the 32nd clause of the Constitution Act, and delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the 13th clause of the Act No. 702, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, ROBERT STIRLING ANDERSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of over Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment, and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as part of portion 81, parish of Boroondara, in the borough of Kew, comprising over thirteen acres, with two residences thereon, one of which is occupied by the Rev. J. G. Paton, and in the other of which I reside.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three hundred and five pounds.

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

“ROBERT S. ANDERSON.”

6. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable F. T. Sargood, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

NORMANBY,
Governor.

Message.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, 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 Five hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred pounds to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two and three.”

“An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1878’ certain sums of money towards the completion of certain public works.”

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 8th March, 1883.

Ordered to lie on the table.

7. DAYS OF MEETING.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, by leave of the Council, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the despatch of business during the present session; and that half-past four o'clock be the time of meeting on each day; and that on Wednesday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the Honorables The President, Dr. Dobson, Dr. Hearn, C. J. Jenner, and the Mover, be appointed a Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. **PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE (JOINT).**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the Honorables The President, J. Lorimer, J. Balfour, F. T. Sargood, and W. A. Zeal, be members of the Joint Committee of both Houses to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE (JOINT).**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the Honorables The President, N. Fitzgerald, J. Graham, H. Cuthbert, and J. Campbell, be members of the Joint Committee of both Houses to manage the Library.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the Honorables F. Ormond, N. Thornley, T. F. Cumming, C. J. Ham, and J. G. Dougharty, be appointed a Printing Committee, and that papers presented to the House be referred to the said Committee for report.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE (JOINT).**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the Honorables W. Pearson, G. F. Belcher, P. Russell, J. Buchanan, and W. E. Stanbridge, be members of the Joint Committee of both Houses to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
13. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—
Sanatory Station—Report on—for the year ending 31st December, 1882.
Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector of—for the year ending 31st December, 1882.
Royal Commission on Police.—Special Report on the Detective Branch.
Industrial and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Secretary for the year 1881.
Statistical Register of Victoria for 1881—
Part V., Interchange.
Part VI., Law, Crime, &c.
Part VII., Accumulation.
Part VIII., Production.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The Honorable F. T. Sargood presented—
Victorian Railways.—Estimate of Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June, 1883, under the "*The Temporary Advances Act 1883*."
Yan Yean Water Supply.—Estimate of the Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June, 1883, under Act No. 747.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
14. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 10th April instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. **PETITION.**—The Honorable J. A. Wallace presented a Petition from the President, Councillors, and Ratepayers of the Shire of Oxley, under the corporate seal of the said shire, praying for a branch line of railway from the North-Eastern Railway to Moyhu.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
16. **STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Honorable J. Balfour moved, by leave of the Council, That he have leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Statute of Trusts 1864.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Honorable J. Balfour do prepare and bring in the Bill.
The Honorable J. Balfour then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill to amend the Statute of Trusts 1864*," and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 10th April instant.
17. **UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE LAW FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable J. Lorimer moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned until Tuesday, 10th April instant—put and resolved in the affirmative.
18. **DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—On the motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—
Privileges of Parliament Bill—To be read a second time.
Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
- The Council adjourned at eight minutes past five o'clock until Tuesday, 10th April instant, at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 6.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. PAPERS. — The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—
Statistical Register of the Colony of Victoria for the Year 1881 :—
Part IX. Religious, Moral, and Intellectual Progress.
Melbourne Harbor Trust—The Accounts of the—for the quarter ended 30th September, 1882.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
5. ABSENCE—LEAVE OF—TO HONORABLE T. F. HAMILTON.—The Honorable J. Graham moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the session be granted to the Honorable T. F. Hamilton.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. ABSENCE—LEAVE OF—TO HONORABLE J. MACBAIN.—The Honorable T. F. Cumming, moved, pursuant to notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the session be granted to the Honorable J. MacBain.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable H. Cuthbert delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the 13th clause of the Act 45 Vict., No. 702, as hereunder set forth :—
“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, HENRY CUTHBERT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the parishes of Cardigan, Burrumbeet, and Ballarat, in the counties of Grenville and Ripon, the description of which lands and tenements are as follow :—
“Allotment 6 of sec. 11, Cardigan, county of Grenville.
“Allotment 2 of sec. 14, parish of Cardigan, county of Grenville.
“Part of allotment 4 of sec. 9, city of Ballarat, county of Grenville.
“Allotment 53 A, parish of Burrumbeet, county of Ripon.
“Allotment 29 of sec. C, parish of Burrumbeet, county of Ripon.
“Allotment 74, parish of Ballarat, county of Ripon.
“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat and the shire of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of over £250.
“And I further declare that I have not collusively or colorably obtained a title to or become possessed of the said lands or tenements, or any part thereof, for the purpose of enabling me to be returned a Member of the Legislative Council.
“HENRY CUTHBERT.”
8. STATUTE OF TRUSTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Bill read a second time.
The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. Balfour, The President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

The President 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 the Honorable J. Balfour, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to amend the Statute of Trusts 1864.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE LAW FURTHER 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 and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That this Bill be now withdrawn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1881,’ certain sums of money for permanent-way material, rolling stock, and other works,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 10th April, 1883.

11. RAILWAY LOAN ACCOUNT APPLICATION BILL.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “ *An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1881,’ certain sums of money for permanent-way material, rolling stock, and other works,*” be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

The President 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 the Honorable R. S. Anderson, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—

“ *An Act to apply temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue, or out of ‘The Railway Loan Account 1881,’ certain sums of money for permanent-way material, rolling stock, and other works.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Thursday, 12th April instant.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Council adjourned at twenty-four minutes past six o'clock until Thursday next at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 7.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—

Land Acts.—Report of proceedings taken under the provisions of the Land Act 1869, the Land Act 1878, the Land Acts Amendment Act 1880, and the Land Act 1880, during the year ending 31st December, 1882.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented—

Victorian Railways.—Estimate of Expenditure under the Railway Loan Application Act 1883, No. 748, and Loan Act No. 717.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend ‘The Harbour Trust Act 1876,’*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th April, 1883.
6. MELBOURNE HARBOUR TRUST ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “*An Act to amend ‘The Harbour Trust Act 1876,’*” be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same with amendments and with an amended title.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole Council for reconsideration.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood, The President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the reconsideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood, the Council agreed to the amendments made by the Committee of the whole in this Bill.

The President 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 the Honorable F. T. Sargood, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to amend “The Melbourne Harbour Trust Act 1876.”*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as Loans for Water Supply in the “Country Districts,”* with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th April, 1883.

8. THE WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL 1883.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain “sums of money as Loans for Water Supply in the Country Districts,”* be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time Tuesday, 17th April instant.

9. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable F. T. Sargood, and the same was read, and is as follows :—

NORMANBY,

Governor.

Message

The Governor informs the Legislative Council 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 temporarily out of the Consolidated Revenue or out of ‘The Railway Loan “Account 1881’ certain sums of money for Permanent-way Material, Rolling-stock, and “other Works.”*”

Melbourne, 11th April, 1883.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The Council adjourned at sixteen minutes to six o'clock until Tuesday next at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 8.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable Thos. Bromell delivered to the Clerk the declaration required by the 13th clause of the Act 45 Vict., No. 702, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 45 Victoria, No. 702, I, THOMAS BROMELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Sixteen hundred and ten pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dundas, and are known as Hensley Park freehold estate.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Dundas are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of £1610.

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

“THOS. BROMELL.”

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly return to the Legislative Council the Bill intituled “*An Act to amend ‘The Harbour Trust Act 1876,’*” and acquaint the Legislative Council that the Legislative Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 12th April, 1883.

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Assembly their expenses in relation to their attendance in Parliament,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, April, 1883.

6. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL.—The Honorable H. Cuthbert moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “*An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Assembly their expenses in relation to their attendance in Parliament,*” be now read a first time.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. PAPERS.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—
Royal Commission on Police—General Report on the present state and organization of the Police Force.
Ordered to lie on the Table.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented—

Water Supply—Estimate of Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June, 1883, under the Water Supply Loan Act 1883, and Railway Loan 1881 Application Act No. 735.

Railway Loan Act 1881, No. 717, and Application Act No. 735. Estimate of Expenditure which the Board of Land and Works proposes to incur during the year ending 30th June 1883 under—

Severally ordered to lie on the table.

8. THE WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL 1883.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, The President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner having reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment, the Council ordered the Report to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Council adjourned at seven minutes to five o'clock until to-morrow at half-past four o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 9.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH APRIL, 1883.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. The President took the Chair.
3. The President read the prayer.
4. THE COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.—The President laid upon the Table the following Warrant appointing the Committee of Elections and Qualifications, viz. :—

VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislative Council of Victoria, passed in the nineteenth year of Her present Majesty's reign, intituled "*An Act to provide for the election of Members to serve in the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Victoria respectively*," I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable R. S. Anderson,
 The Honorable James Balfour,
 The Honorable G. F. Belcher,
 The Honorable Dr. Dobson,
 The Honorable W. E. Hearn,
 The Honorable G. Meares,
 and
 The Honorable W. E. Stanbridge,

to be Members of a Committee to be called "The Committee of Elections and Qualifications."

Given under my hand this 18th day of April, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

W. H. F. MITCHELL,
 President of the Legislative Council.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled "*An Act to re-enact and continue 'The Fisheries Amendment Act 1878,'*" with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

PETER LALOR,
 Speaker.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Melbourne, 18th April, 1883.

6. THE FISHERIES ACT CONTINUANCE BILL.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled "*An Act to re-enact and continue 'The Fisheries Amendment Act 1878,'*" be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the Council agreed to the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

The President 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 the Honorable R. S. Anderson, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to re-enact and continue ‘ The Fisheries Amendment Act 1878.’*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

7. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to continue various Expiring Laws*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 17th April, 1883.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

8. EXPIRING LAWS CONTINUANCE BILL.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “ *An Act to continue various Expiring Laws*” be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the Council agreed to the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

The President 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 the Honorable R. S. Anderson, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to continue various Expiring Laws.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

9. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT—

The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the construction of Additional Works on the Victorian State Railways and for other purposes,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Melbourne, 17th April, 1883.

PETER LALOR,
Speaker.

10. THE RAILWAYS ADDITIONAL WORKS BILL.—The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “ *An Act to authorize the construction of Additional Works on the Victorian State Railways and for other purposes,*” be now read a first time.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And, on the further motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood, The President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable F. T. Sargood the Council agreed to the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

The President 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 the Honorable F. T. Sargood, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable F. T. Sargood moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to authorize the Construction of Additional Works on the Victorian State Railways, and for other purposes.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

11. PAPERS.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor :—
 Inspector of Mines—Report of the Chief inspector of Mines for the year 1882.
 Police Commission—Proceedings of the Commission, Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, &c.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
12. THE WATER SUPPLY LOANS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson the Council agreed to the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.
 The President 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 the Honorable R. S. Anderson, read a third time and *passed*.
 The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money as Loans for Water Supply in the Country Districts.*”
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
13. OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL.—The Honorable W. E. Hearn moved, in accordance with notice, That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that His Excellency will cause such steps to be taken as may be necessary to make permanent provision by legislation, for the higher class of officers of the Legislative Council, more particularly the President and Chairman of Committees; and for such other expenses of the Legislative Council as the amount included in Part 4 of Schedule D to the Constitution Act for “The Clerk and expenses of the Legislative Council” may not be sufficient to meet.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. PAYMENT OF MEMBERS BILL.—The Honorable J. Campbell moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.
 The Honorable J. Campbell moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable J. Campbell, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.
 On the motion of the Honorable J. Campbell the Council agreed to the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.
 The President 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 the Honorable J. Campbell, read a third time and *passed*.
 The Honorable J. Campbell moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to provide for reimbursing Members of the Legislative Assembly their Expenses in relation to their attendance in Parliament.*”
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That a Message be transmitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, by leave of the Council, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at five minutes to two o'clock.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced to the Council the receipt of the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—
 MR. PRESIDENT—
 The Legislative Assembly transmit to the Legislative Council a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament,*” with which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.
 PETER LALOR,
 Speaker.
 Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Melbourne, April, 1883.
17. APPROPRIATION BILL.—The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the Bill transmitted by the above Message, intituled “ *An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament,*” be now read a first time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time this day.
 The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.
 The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That this Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole Council.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 And, on the further motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the President left the Chair, and the Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole for the consideration of this Bill.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable C. J. Jenner reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and agreed to the same without amendment.

On the motion of the Honorable R. S. Anderson, the Council agreed to the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

The President 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 the Honorable R. S. Anderson, read a third time and *passed*.

The Honorable R. S. Anderson moved, That the following be the title of the Bill :—“ *An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three and to appropriate the supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament.*”

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Council adjourned at twenty minutes to ten o'clock until to-morrow at five minutes to two o'clock.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

VICTORIA.

No. 10.

Minutes of the Proceedings

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1883.

1. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Governor was announced by the Usher.
2. ROYAL ASSENT TO BILL.—His Excellency the Governor came into the Council Chamber, and commanded the Usher to desire the attendance of the Legislative Assembly in the Council Chamber, who being come with their Speaker, he delivered the Appropriation Bill to the Clerk of the Parliaments, who brought it to the Table.

His Excellency was then pleased to assent, in Her Majesty's name, to the following Bill :—

“ An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending the last day of June One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament.”

The Royal Assent being read by the Clerk of the Parliaments in the following words :—

“ In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty I assent to this Act.

“ NORMANBY,
“ Governor.”

His Excellency was then pleased to speak as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I am happy to be able to release you from your attendance in Parliament.

The proposed annexation of New Guinea to British territory has been received with great satisfaction by the people of Victoria, and my Advisers have taken prompt action to support the Government of Queensland in urging that course on the Imperial Government.

A Conference of the representatives of the Australian Colonies has been convened, to be held at Sydney early in May, for the purpose of considering the desirability of the Australian Colonies entering into the International Postal Union, which now embraces the whole of Europe, Egypt, and the United States of America. Advantage no doubt will be taken of that opportunity for the purpose of considering other matters affecting the Intercolonial relations of the respective Colonies forming the Australasian Group. My Advisers are anxious to promote, in every way, concerted action among the Australasian Colonies in respect to all proposals which have for their object the promotion of the material welfare and unity of Her Majesty's subjects in these Colonies. It is the intention, therefore, of my Advisers that this Colony shall be represented at the proposed Conference.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I thank you for the liberal supplies you have granted for the public service.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Session of Parliament which I am now bringing to a close was called together with the special object of granting supplies for the services of the year, and also for obtaining Legislative sanction for the proposed expenditure of money in connection with our Railways and other Public Works ; these objects, I am gratified to observe, you have accomplished.

The Act that you have passed authorizing an increased number of lines of rails to be laid down in the different approaches to our principal Railway Stations, and the construction of other works in connection therewith, will I trust promote the safety of the travelling public, and reduce to a minimum the possibility of such serious accidents as those which have already caused so much distress to a large number of persons.

I have observed with pleasure that you have authorized the Melbourne Harbor Trust to obtain money for the prosecution of the works of the Trust with greater advantage than heretofore. This will, I believe, have the effect of enabling that body, whilst improving the accommodation of the Port, to give employment to a large number of persons.

My Advisers will take advantage of the recess to consider and prepare those measures of legislation which are most urgently required.

In being relieved from your onerous duties, you must be gratified to know that, under the blessing of Divine Providence, the producing and manufacturing interests of this country continue prosperous.

In the name of Her Majesty I now declare this Parliament prorogued to the 30th day of May, and it is hereby prorogued accordingly.

JOHN BARKER,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



SELECT COMMITTEES,
APPOINTED DURING SESSION 1883.

No. 1.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

Appointed 1st March, 1883.

The Hon. R. S. Anderson
 W. E. Hearn
 F. T. Sargood
 G. F. Belcher
 C. J. Ham

The Hon. J. Campbell
 Dr. Dobson
 N. Thornley
 H. H. Wettenhall.

No. 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 3rd April, 1883.

The Hon. The President
 Dr. Dobson
 Dr. Hearn

The Hon. C. J. Jenner
 R. S. Anderson.

No. 3.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.

Appointed 3rd April, 1883.

The Hon. The President
 J. Lorimer
 J. Balfour

The Hon. F. T. Sargood
 W. A. Zeal.

No. 4.—LIBRARY.

Appointed 3rd April, 1883.

The Hon. The President
 N. Fitzgerald
 J. Graham

The Hon. H. Cuthbert
 J. Campbell.

No. 5.—PRINTING.

Appointed 3rd April, 1883.

The Hon. F. Ormond
 N. Thornley
 T. F. Cumming

The Hon. C. J. Ham
 J. G. Dougharty.

No. 6.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS.

Appointed 3rd April, 1883.

The Hon. W. Pearson
 G. F. Belcher
 P. Russell

The Hon. J. Buchanan
 W. E. Stanbridge.

1883.

VICTORIA.

ASSENT TO RESERVED ACT.

ORDERED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO BE PRINTED, 8TH MARCH, 1883.

NORMANBY,
Governor.

Message No. 1.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has caused an Act intituled "*An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of 'The Legislative Council Elections for 1882 Act'*" which was reserved on the 24th July last for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, and which received Her Majesty's Assent on the 30th November ultimo, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, a copy of which is transmitted herewith.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 5th March, 1883.

THE ROYAL ASSENT TO THE ACT INTITULED "AN ACT TO REMOVE DOUBTS AS TO THE VALIDITY OF 'THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS FOR 1882 ACT.'"

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Most Honorable GEORGE AUGUSTUS CONSTANTINE, Marquis of Normanby, Earl of Mulgrave, Viscount Normanby, and Baron Mulgrave of Mulgrave, all in the County of York, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, and Baron Mulgrave of New Ross, in the County of Wexford, in the Peerage of Ireland, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Statute* it is amongst other things enacted, that the provisions of the Act of the fourteenth year of Her Majesty, chapter fifty-nine, and of the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty, chapter seventy-six, *For the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land*, which relate to the giving and withholding of Her Majesty's assent to Bills, and the reservation of Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, and the instructions to be conveyed to governors for their guidance in relation to the matters aforesaid, and the disallowance of Bills by Her Majesty, shall apply to Bills to be passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly constituted under the *Constitution Act of Victoria* and the now-reciting Statute, and by any other legislative body or bodies which may at any time hereafter be substituted for the present Legislative Council and Assembly: And whereas the Bill hereinafter mentioned was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon: And whereas by an Order of the Queen in Council, made on the thirtieth day of November, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, a copy whereof is hereto appended, Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the said Bill: Now therefore I, the Governor of Victoria, in pursuance of the provisions of the aforesaid Acts, do by this my Proclamation signify that the Bill intituled "*An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of 'The Legislative Council Elections for 1882 Act,'*" which was reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon upon the twenty-fourth day of July in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony, at Melbourne, the thirtieth day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, and in the forty-sixth year of Her Majesty's reign.

(L.S.)

NORMANBY.

By His Excellency's Command,
BRYAN O'LOGHLEN,
Attorney-General.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

At the Court at Windsor, the thirtieth day of November 1882.

PRESENT :

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty	
His Royal Highness Prince Leopold (Duke of Albany)	
Lord Privy Seal	|
Lord Steward	|
	Mr. Gladstone Secretary Sir William Vernon Harcourt.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the fifth and sixth years of Her Majesty's reign, entitled *An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land*, it is, amongst other things, enacted that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the colony of New South Wales until the Governor of the said colony shall signify, either by speech or message to the Legislative Council of the said colony or by proclamation as therein aforesaid, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same : And whereas by another Act passed in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Majesty's reign, entitled *An Act for the better Government of the Australian Colonies*, it was provided, among other things, that the provisions of the said former Act concerning the reservation of Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon should apply to and be in force in the colony of Victoria : And whereas the said provisions were maintained in force as regards Bills passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said colony by a subsequent Act passed in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of the reign of Her said Majesty, entitled *An Act to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill as amended of the Legislature of Victoria to establish a Constitution in and for the Colony of Victoria* : And whereas on the twenty-fourth of July One thousand eight hundred and eighty-two the Governor of the said colony of Victoria reserved a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said colony, entitled "*An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of 'The Legislative Council Elections for 1882 Act,'*" for the signification or Her Majesty's pleasure thereon : And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by Her Majesty : Now therefore Her Majesty, in pursuance of the said Acts, and in exercise of the powers thereby reserved to Her Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present Order, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, declare Her assent to the said Bill.

C. L. PEEL.

1883.

VICTORIA.

THE WAR IN EGYPT.

ORDERED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO BE PRINTED, 8TH MARCH, 1883.

NORMANBY,
Governor.

Message No. 2.

Having reference to the Address conveying to Her Majesty the Queen the congratulations of the Legislative Council on the brilliant victories that have attended Her Majesty's combined Forces in Egypt, the Governor acquaints the Legislative Council that he has received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies a further Despatch, a copy of which is annexed bearing upon this subject.

Government Offices,
Melbourne, 5th March, 1883.

Victoria, No. 72.
MY LORD—

Downing street,
24th November, 1882.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 110 of the 23rd of September last, transmitting the congratulatory addresses from both Houses of Parliament of Victoria on the success of the British arms in Egypt.

I request that you will inform the Members of the Legislative Council and of the Assembly that their Addresses have been laid before the Queen, who was pleased to receive them very graciously, and I have to refer you to the answer which, by Her Majesty's Commands, was conveyed to you in my Despatch No. 63 of the 29th of September in reply to the Addresses, the terms of which you transmitted by telegraph.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

KIMBERLEY.

Governor
The Most Honorable
The Marquis of Normanby, G.C.M.G.,
&c., &c., &c.

VICTORIA.

 NAVAL AND ARTILLERY FORCES.

RETURN TO AN ORDER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
THE HONORABLE F. T. SARGOOD.—7TH DECEMBER, 1882.

LAI D ON THE COUNCIL TABLE BY THE HONORABLE F. T. SARGOOD, AND ORDERED BY THE
COUNCIL TO BE PRINTED, 8TH MARCH, 1883.

I. A RETURN of all Officers of the Victorian Naval Forces (exclusive of the Naval Reserve)
giving—

Name.	Rank.	Length of service in the Royal Navy.	Rank while in the Royal Navy.	Date of retirement from the Royal Navy.	Date of appointment or transfer to Colonial Service.	If passed through the course of instruction as carried out at Portsmouth and Chatham.	Date of such passing.	If qualified in Gunnery.	Date of so qualifying.

II. A RETURN of all the Officers of the paid Artillery Force, giving—

Name.	Rank.	Length of Service in the Royal Artillery.	In which branch—Horse, Field, or Garrison.	Rank while in the Royal Artillery.	Date of Retirement from the Royal Artillery.	If passed through a course of Gunnery at the School of Gunnery at Shoeburyness or Woolwich.	Date of passing.

A RETURN OF ALL OFFICERS OF THE VICTORIAN FORCES (EXCLUSIVE OF THE NAVAL RESERVE).

Name.	Rank.	Service in Royal Navy.	Rank in Royal Navy.	Retirement from Royal Navy.	Date of appointment or transfer to Colonial Service.	If passed through the course of instruction as carried out at Portsmouth or Chatham.	Date passing.	If qualified in Gunnery.	Date of so qualifying.	Remarks.
C. T. Mandeville	Capt. Commanding	17	Commander	21.12.76	9.7.77	Yes	12.4.66	Yes	12.4.66	Served four and a half years as First Lieutenant of H.M.S. <i>Oberon</i> , Captain Hadd, <i>Daring</i> , and <i>Vindictive</i> , and a few months in H.M.S. <i>Wolverine</i> under present Admiral Wratishaw, and holds very high certificates from him, as well as from other commanding officers. Holds Master's certificate No. 98313 from Board of Trade, port of London.
R. M. Collins	Lieutenant	11	Lieutenant	Nov. 1877	13.12.78	Yes	Nov. 1872	Yes	Nov. 1872	Holds certificate for senior torpedo course H.M.S. <i>Vernon</i> 1879. Whitehead torpedo course 1879. Certificate of Merit, Royal Naval College 1877. Visited the Torpedo Establishment in the United States, America, 1879.
J. A. Thompson	Paymaster	...	...	...	7.1.72	...	...	...	...	Entered as Clerk 7.1.72, promoted to Assistant Paymaster 31.7.74, and to Paymaster 8.3.78; previously served four years in the Stores and Goods Departments of the Railways, and four years in the Government Stores.
E. J. Huysmans	Engineer-in-Charge	15	Engineer-in-Charge	July 1877	13.2.79	...	...	...	...	Passed Admiralty Civil Service examination. 1867. Holds First-class certificate from Admiralty and Board of Trade, London. Certificate for the Whitehead torpedo course, H.M.S. <i>Vernon</i> 1879-80. Inspected construction of torpedo boats at Messrs. Thornycroft's & Co., 1879-80. During time out of the service, acted as Superintending Engineer of the Portsmouth and Isle of Wight Royal Mail Co.
J. L. Break	Engineer	...	...	...	1.12.71	...	...	...	...	Came to the colony in <i>Cerberus</i> as Assistant Engineer; previously employed by Penn & Sons, Gravesend, assisting to put engines in various ships for H.M. Navy, and at preliminary trials of Whitehead torpedo. Holds certificate of competency.
A. Harrow	Assistant Engineer	...	...	...	1.1.79	...	...	...	...	Holds First-class certificate of competency, and, in addition to other services, was nine years Chief Engineer of S.S. <i>Aldinga</i> .
O. Richards	Chief Gunner	37	Chief Gunner	Still serving	11.7.77	Yes	July 1877	Yes	July 1877	Engaged for five years; passed torpedo course H.M.S. <i>Vernon</i> . Except when passing through gunnery ship, has been employed in instructing twenty-eight years.
J. J. Fragley	Chief Boatswain	38	Boatswain	Still serving	14.2.68	...	...	...	...	Came to the colony in H.M.S. <i>Nelson</i> . Holds very good certificates.
J. Nelson	Chief Carpenter	...	...	...	8.1.58	...	...	...	...	Served fifteen years in the Merchant Service as Carpenter and Officer. Holds very good certificates.
J. H. Tubb	Gunner	17	Gunnery Instructor	...	14.2.68	Yes	Oct. 1867	Yes	Oct. 1867	Came to the colony in H.M.S. <i>Nelson</i> . Since that time has kept himself thoroughly acquainted with all modern gunnery and field drill.

(Sd.)

C. T. MANDEVILLE,
Captain Commanding Naval Forces.

A RETURN OF ALL THE OFFICERS OF THE PAID ARTILLERY FORCE.

Name.	Rank.	Length of Service in the Royal Artillery.	In which Branch? Horse, Field, or Garrison.	Rank while in the Royal Artillery.	Date of Retirement from the Royal Artillery.	If passed through a course of Gunnery at the School of Gunnery at Shoeburyness or Woolwich.	Date of Passing.
C. S. Lemarchand ...	Major ...	In Bengal Artillery, 16 years 5 months. In Royal Artillery, 11 years and 4 months	In Garrison Artillery about 14 years. In Field Artillery about 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ years; changing from one to the other on promotion	Second Captain, Captain Major, Lieutenant Colonel	Sept. 1873 ...	Passed through course at Dung Dung, the school of the Honorable E.I. Co.'s Regiment of Bengal Artillery. It was the custom in the H.E.I. Co.'s Artillery for officers and men of all branches of the Regiment to assemble for two months annually for heavy gun drill, etc., and to go through a laboratory course	At the close of 1846.
D. Nicholson ...	Captain ...	12 $\frac{6}{12}$ years. 17 years in the Victorian Artillery, 12 of which in the Artillery Corps	8 years in Garrison Battery; 4 $\frac{6}{12}$ years in Field Battery	Sergeant Major ...	October 1864	Passed Shoeburyness course in 1854 and in 1859, also six months' course in Repository, Woolwich	1854 and 1859.
C. N. M. Hamilton ...	Lieutenant	None in Royal Artillery. About 2 $\frac{8}{12}$ years in Her Majesty's 39th Regiment; 3 years in late Victorian Artillery; 7 years in Head Quarters Staff Local Forces	... ..	In 39th Regiment, Ensign Lieutenant. In Victoria Artillery, Gunner, Bombadier, Corporal. In Head Quarters Staff, Staff Clerk, Acting Lieutenant, and Officer Adjutant, Lieutenant, and Assistant Staff Officer	39th Regiment, March 1866	Passed through course of Artillery at Royal Military College, Sandhurst	1862 and 1863.
A. E. Otter ...	Lieutenant	None in the Royal Artillery. In Royal Marines, 7 years	Royal Marines, Second Lieutenant, First ditto.	Royal Marines, August 1864	Passed Gunnery course in H.M. Gunnery Ship <i>Excellent</i> , and in Gun Shed, Chatham and Portsmouth; attended gun trials at Shoeburyness	At the close of 1857; in the years 1858 and 1863.

(Sd.)

C. S. LEMARCHAND.

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