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No. 1.

WEDNESDAY, 8TH JULY, 1925.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the fifteenth day of June, 1925, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk and is as follows:—

FURTHER PROROGUING PARLIAMENT AND FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E., Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands prorogued until Tuesday, the sixteenth day of June, 1925: Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Wednesday, the eighth day of July, 1925, and I do hereby fix Wednesday, the eighth day of July, 1925 aforesaid, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: and the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

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

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. ALLAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

2. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—The Honorable Theyre a'Beckett Weigall, a Commissioner from His Excellency the Governor to administer the Oath prescribed by the thirty-second section of the Act No. 2632, was introduced by the Usher.

The Commissioner handed his Commission to the Clerk, who read the same as follows:—

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To the Honorable Theyre a'Beckett Weigall, Acting Judge of Our Supreme Court in our said State of Victoria.

GREETING:

WHEREAS by the thirty-second section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, No. 2632, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act: Now therefore I, the Governor of the said State, do by these presents command and authorize you to proceed to the State Parliament House, in the Carlton Gardens,

in the City of Melbourne, on Wednesday, the eighth day of July instant, at Twelve of the clock noon, then and there to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Council as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Council.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne, in the said State, this thirtieth day of June, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and in the sixteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

STANLEY S. ARGYLE.

Entered on Record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29,
page 161, this thirtieth day of June, One thousand
nine hundred and twenty-five.

W. P. HEATHERSHAW,

Under Secretary.

3. RETURNS TO WRITS.—The Clerk announced that there had been received returns to writs issued by the Honorable the President of the Council for the election of Members to serve in the places of Members whose seats became vacant by effluxion of time, and by the indorsements on such writs it appeared that the following Members had been elected in pursuance thereof:—

The Honorable Herbert Keck for the Bendigo Province ;
The Honorable William Haslam Edgar for the East Yarra Province ;
The Honorable George Martley Davis for the Gippsland Province ;
The Honorable Henry Isaac Cohen for the Melbourne Province ;
The Honorable Daniel Laurence McNamara for the Melbourne East Province ;
The Honorable William James Beckett for the Melbourne North Province ;
The Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke for the Melbourne South Province ;
The Honorable James Herbert Disney for the Melbourne West Province ;
The Honorable Edwin George Bath for the Nelson Province ;
The Honorable George Joseph Tuckett for the Northern Province ;
The Honorable Albert Michael Zwar for the North-Eastern Province ;
The Honorable George Louis Goudie for the North-Western Province ;
The Honorable William Lionel Russell Clarke for the Southern Province ;
The Honorable Alfred Elliott Chandler for the South-Eastern Province ;
The Honorable Howard Hitchcock for the South-Western Province ;
The Honorable Alexander Bell for the Wellington Province ; and
The Honorable Edward James White for the Western Province.

4. SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBERS.—The Honorables E. G. Bath, W. J. Beckett, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, F. G. Clarke, W. L. R. Clarke, H. I. Cohen, G. M. Davis, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, H. Keck, D. L. McNamara, G. J. Tuckett, E. J. White, and A. M. Zwar, having severally approached the Table, took and subscribed the Oath required by law, and severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth:—

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, EDWIN GEORGE BATH*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal districts of Kara Kara and St. Arnaud, and are known as ‘ Pleasant-side ’ Estate, and houses and land St. Arnaud.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kara Kara are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £578, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of St. Arnaud are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £75.

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

“ EDWIN G. BATH.”

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM JAMES BECKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over Fifty pounds sterling above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment ; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Fitzroy, and are known as Nos. 150 to 156 Gertrude-street, Nos. 70, 72, 74 Napier-street.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Fitzroy are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £157.

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

"W. J. BECKETT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ALEXANDER BELL*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of city of Ballarat and are known as 101 Wendouree-parade, Ballarat.

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

"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.

"ALEXANDER BELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ALFRED ELLIOTT CHANDLER*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-seven pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Ferntree Gully and Mentone and Mordialloc, and are known as 'Boronia,' corner of Boronia and Forest roads, Boronia, being portion of Crown lot 69, parish of Scoresby; and 'Swansea,' Beach-road, Mordialloc.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ferntree Gully are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £227, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mentone and Mordialloc are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £50.

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

"A. E. CHANDLER."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, FRANCIS GRENVILLE 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 Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal districts of Prahran and Gisborne, and are known as lots 19 and 20 of the subdivisional plan of the Trawalla Estate, City of Prahran, and part of Crown allotment 9, Shire of Gisborne, parish of Macedon, county of Bourke.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Gisborne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £30, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Prahran are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £175.

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

"FRANK G. CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM LIONEL RUSSELL 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 Victoria of the yearly value of Three 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 situate in the municipal district of Bulla, and are known as Rupertswood Farm, three hundred and eighty-two acres and thirty-one perches, being Crown allotment 2 and parts of Crown allotment 1 of section 21 of the parish of Bulla Bulla, No. 216 in the rate-book.

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

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

"W. L. RUSSELL CLARKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HENRY ISAAC COHEN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and seven pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal districts of Melbourne and Northcote, and are known as 'Keonbrook,' 106 Vale-street, East Melbourne, and lots 11 and 12, part A, of Thornbury Park Estate.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £185, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Northcote are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £22.

"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 ISAAC COHEN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, GEORGE MARTLEY DAVIS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of Sale, and are known as Mathieson and Davis' saleyards, livery stable, and tobacconist shop in the town of Sale; also 10 acres and 1 rood in the town of Sale.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Sale are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £105.

"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. M. DAVIS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM HASLAM EDGAR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Ninety pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and, further, that such lands or tenements are situate in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as Nos. 182 and 184 St. Kilda-street, St. Kilda.

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

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

"WILLIAM H. EDGAR."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, GEORGE LOUIS GOUDIE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 49 Elizabeth-street, Elsternwick.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £58.

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

"GEO. L. GOUDIE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HERBERT KECK*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye, and are known as 'The Palms,' Retreat-road, Bendigo.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £240.

"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.

"HERBERT KECK."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, DANIEL LAURENCE MCNAMARA*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal districts of Berwick and Caulfield, and are known as allotment 2, section P, and allotment 49A, parish of Koo-wee-rup East, county of Mornington; also house and land known as 'Iona,' Talbot-avenue, East St. Kilda.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Berwick are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £57, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Caulfield are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £56.

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

"D. L. McNAMARA."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, GEORGE JOSEPH TUCKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of Numurkah, and are known as allotments 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, part 11 of section D, parish of Yalca, containing 1,412 acres, also allotments 17, 17A of section 5, parish of Narioka, containing 289 acres.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Numurkah are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £645.

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

"GEO. J. TUCKETT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, EDWARD JAMES WHITE*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal districts of Dundas and borough of Hamilton, and are known as 'Waratah,' being part of subdivision of the Kenilworth Estate, parish of Gatum Gatum, county of Dundas, containing 1,786½ acres. In the borough of Hamilton is my house and allotment fronting Gray-street.

"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 the said municipality upon a yearly value of £150, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of borough of Hamilton are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £44.

"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.

"E. J. WHITE."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ALBERT MICHAEL ZWAR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of Beechworth, and are known as house and land in Church-street, and hall in Loch-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Beechworth are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £80.

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

"A. M. ZWAR."

The Honorable Theyre a'Beckett Weigall attested the Oath Roll, and then withdrew.

5. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, W. Angliss, T. Beggs, F. W. Brawn, W. P. Crockett, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, H. F. Richardson, M. Saltau, H. H. Smith, J. Sternberg, W. Tyner, and R. Williams, severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth:—

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in

Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of shire of Strathfieldsaye, and are known as 'Hooligan' and 'Mandurang.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Strathfieldsaye are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £152.

"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.

"RICHARD HARTLEY SMITH ABBOTT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM CHARLES ANGLISS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Five 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 situate in the municipal district of city of Melbourne and are known as part of allotment 6, section 24, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, volume 3701, folio 740157.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £560.

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

"W. ANGLISS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, THEODORE BEGGS*, of Eurambeen, Beaufort, grazier, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Fifty-one pounds ten 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 situate in the municipal district of Ripon, and are known as Crown allotments 70B, 73C, 74, 74A, and 73B, parish of Eurambeen, county of Ripon, containing 206 acres.

"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 the said municipality upon a yearly value of £51 10s.

"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.

"THEODORE BEGGS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, FREDERICK WILLIAM BRAUN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Ballarat, and are known as 213 Mill-street.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Ballarat are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £50.

"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. W. BRAUN."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM PAUL CROCKETT*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Caulfield and are known as 273 Glenhuntly-road, Elsternwick.

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

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

"W. P. CROCKETT."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOHN RICHARDS HARRIS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of shire of Rutherglen, and are known as 'Norong Lea' vineyard, and a residence, 'Hiawatha,' Rutherglen.

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

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

"JOHN R. HARRIS."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOHN PERCY JONES*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 20, 22, 24, and 26 Patrick-street, Melbourne.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £470.

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

"J. P. JONES."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, MARTIN MCGREGOR*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of Narracan, and are known as allotment 97A, parish of Moe, county of Buln Buln, and occupied by me as residence.

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

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

"M. MCGREGOR."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HORACE FRANK RICHARDSON*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of Two 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 situate in the municipal district of city of Geelong, and are known as 'The Exchange' property, Little Malop-street, Geelong, and occupied by myself and tenants.

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

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

"H. F. RICHARDSON."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, MARCUS SALTAU*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of the shire of Warrnambool, and are known as the lands described in certificate of title, vol. 4557, folio 911293.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of shire of Warrnambool are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £200

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

"M. SALTAU."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, HERBERT HENRY SMITH*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as 290-294 Lonsdale-street, Melbourne.

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

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

"HERBERT H. SMITH."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, JOSEPH STERNBERG*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as Crown allotment 12, section 14, city of Melbourne, at East Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, county of Bourke, on which are erected buildings known as No. 161 and No. 163 Hotham-street, East Melbourne.

"And I further declare that the said lands or tenements situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of, respectively, £130 and £135, making a total yearly value of £265.

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

"J. STERNBERG."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, WILLIAM TYNER*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as 60 Hawthorn-road, Caulfield.

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

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

"WILLIAM TYNER."

"In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ROBERT WILLIAMS*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as 123 Wright-street, Middle Park.

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

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

"R. WILLIAMS."

f. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.—The Clerk announced that the time had arrived for proceeding to the election of a President of the Council.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson, addressing the Clerk, proposed to the Council for their President the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke and moved, That the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke do take the Chair of the Council as President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable H. I. Cohen. The Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke, addressing the Clerk, expressed the high sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the Council.

The Council then unanimously calling the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by the Honorable H. F. Richardson and the Honorable H. I. Cohen and conducted to the Chair; and, standing on the dais, he returned his acknowledgments to the Council for the great honour that had been conferred upon him, and thereupon he took the Chair of the President.

Then the Honorables H. F. Richardson, H. I. Cohen, and J. P. Jones congratulated the Honorable the President.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson announced that His Excellency the Governor would be pleased to receive the Honorable the President-elect and Members of the Legislative Council at a quarter-past two o'clock this afternoon, in the Library of the State Parliament House.

7. APPROACH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The approach of His Excellency the Governor was announced by the Usher.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I have summoned you to meet for the consideration of important public business, and to avail myself of your assistance regarding matters that will be submitted for your serious attention by my Advisers.

As, in the ordinary course of events, this will be the last time I shall have the privilege of calling together the representatives of the people of this State, I take the opportunity of saying farewell to you.

Although a sad domestic bereavement is associated with my sojourn here, I shall ever retain very kind memories of my term of office and of the generous support I have always received from the Government and people of Victoria.

It is with gratification that I have observed the progress made in the general welfare of all during the last four years. The population of the State has increased by 136,000, equalling 9 per cent. I am particularly pleased to note that the Savings Bank depositors have increased by over 250,000, and the deposits at the end of last year by £11,000,000, which shows the desire to provide for the future. As regards the land, nearly 1,700,000 additional acres have been brought under cultivation, half of which is under wheat.

The value of primary and manufactured products last year was £101,325,000.

I appreciate the satisfactory work that has been done to improve the physical and educational conditions of children from babyhood in order to enable them to make a good start in life.

I desire to express the hope that the country will be blessed with a year of abundant production, and a continuance of the prosperous seasons. My Advisers, recognizing the necessity for encouraging and increasing the output of primary products, have pursued and will continue to pursue the policy of assisting the producer and stimulating the development of rural industries.

The sound financial position of the State is very gratifying. This has only been made possible by the strictest economy in administration, consistent with the requirements of a developing community.

My Advisers are using every available means for extending and improving the markets for Victorian products.

A measure will be submitted for the establishment of a voluntary Wheat Pool for five years, with a guarantee of 75 per cent. by the State.

The Royal Commission on the development of the outer ports is still pursuing its inquiry.

The system of bulk handling of wheat is also the subject of investigation.

To assist primary producers, proposals will be submitted for the establishment of a Rural Bank.

Measures are being prepared for the further control of the sale of stock foods, fertilizers, and pest destroyers, and relating to their composition and standardization.

My Advisers intend to concentrate their attention on the improvement of communication and transport, believing that this is essential for further progressive national development. The provision of a network of good roads is a very important feature of their policy.

With a view to giving effect to that policy they propose—

- (a) to carry out a systematic programme of expenditure on main and developmental roads over a period of five years, at a rate of approximately £1,000,000 a year ;
- (b) to give assistance to municipalities not in a position to contribute ;
- (c) to expend funds granted by the Commonwealth Government towards the cost of arterial roads ; and
- (d) to provide additional revenue required for the maintenance of national highways.

The annual expenditure on road construction and maintenance out of loan moneys and revenue will be approximately £2,000,000 per annum.

The State Electricity Commission is now providing a considerable proportion of the community in both town and country with electric light and power. It is proposed to carry out the Sugarloaf scheme, which will enable further areas in the North-Eastern district to be supplied.

The briquettes manufactured by the Commission have proved so successful that a further extension of the briquetting factory will be considered.

My Advisers believe that motor transport will assist in the development of outlying districts, and they will introduce a Bill giving the Railways Commissioners power to use motor transport. Proposals will also be introduced to provide for safety at level crossings.

A Bill to establish a contributory Superannuation scheme for Public Servants and Railway Officers will be laid before Parliament at an early date.

Redistribution of seats in the Legislative Assembly will receive the careful attention of my Advisers, and a Bill dealing with the subject will be introduced.

The water storages of the State are being rapidly increased. The present capacity is now well over 820,000 acre-feet, and this will within a few years be raised to nearly 2,000,000 acre-feet. The works under construction at present include—

- The Eildon Weir, near Alexandra, and other extensions to the Goulburn Irrigation system ;
- The Hume Reservoir, near Albury ;
- The Gippsland-Maffra scheme, with the Weir at Glenmaggie (this is almost completed, and 80,000 acres should be ready for irrigating during the year) ; and
- The Lock and Weir, at Mildura.

Large additions are being made to the Mallee schemes for domestic and stock supply to the west of the Mildura Railway.

Schemes for the extension of water supply in the Mornington Peninsula and flood protection at Koo-wee-rup and Cardinia Creek, and for reclamation work at Orbost, are contemplated.

The sewerage of country towns is an urgent problem, and any legislation necessary for facilitating the schemes which are being submitted by country towns will be introduced.

In co-operation with the Commonwealth Government, my Advisers are pursuing an active policy for the encouragement of immigration.

The Government having accepted the provisions of the Draft Agreement with the Commonwealth Government, several schemes for settlement of immigrants and Australians and for works and undertakings specified in the agreement will be prepared.

A Royal Commission is inquiring into the condition of Soldier Settlement, and its report is expected in October next. A Bill to amend the existing legislation will then receive consideration.

A Bill to extend the powers and to assist the operations of the Forests Commission and to promote afforestation will be introduced.

My Advisers realize the necessity for the removal of the Metropolitan Stock Yards and Abattoirs to a more suitable position outside the suburban area, and steps will be taken with a view to the transfer of the stock yards and their appurtenances to the area selected.

Proposals for improvement in the conditions of classification and training of State teachers will be submitted for your consideration.

Additional financial provision will be made for buildings for primary, secondary, and technical education. The erection of the Emily McPherson College of Domestic Economy, towards which Sir William McPherson so generously contributed the sum of £25,000, will be undertaken almost immediately.

Proposals for the establishment of a sound apprenticeship system, having as a basis the recommendations of the Apprenticeship Conference of 1922, will be laid before you.

My advisers will submit proposals for the concentration of all State medical services under one responsible Minister.

A specially qualified expert to direct and control measures for the prevention and treatment of tuberculosis will be appointed.

Steps will be taken to increase hospital accommodation, and a Bill to provide for Intermediate Hospitals will be introduced.

The Government is preparing a measure for dealing with mental defectives. A residential institution for the reception and training of mentally deficient children will be erected at Royal Park, and negotiations are in progress for the purchase of 600 acres of land near Melbourne for the foundation of a farm colony for the segregation of defectives.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates of Expenditure for the current financial year are being framed with the utmost regard for both economy and efficiency, and will in due course be laid before you.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

Many problems dealing with the government and the utilities of the metropolitan area are ripe for solution. My Advisers have given much thought to this subject, and will carefully consider any recommendations made by the Conference of Municipalities. They are of opinion, however, that the present system of municipal government in the metropolis should be simplified. In the meantime there are matters of urgency which must be dealt with, and it is proposed to empower the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to control arterial roads and bridges. A Bill to revise the constitution of the Board will also be introduced. It is proposed to amend the Metropolitan Drainage and Rivers Act so as to facilitate the work of the Board under that Act. The construction of the Spencer-street Bridge will be pushed on.

A Bill will be introduced to provide the necessary powers for the purchase of the Metropolitan Gas Company's undertaking, and for the subsequent administration of the undertaking.

The recommendations of the Town Planning Commission contained in the progress report submitted to the Government are being considered.

Parliament will be asked to make provision for traffic regulations for the metropolitan area.

A Bill will be introduced to create a special City Court to deal with cases arising out of traffic regulations and under certain other enactments.

It is proposed to amend and consolidate the Local Government Acts; and the question of the adjustment and alteration of municipal boundaries, where required, will be considered.

Bills will be introduced to amend the law relating to companies, and for the amendment of the Crimes Acts and the Police Offences Acts, and to make better provision with respect to the maintenance of deserted wives.

The Yarra Bend Asylum has been practically closed; and additional accommodation for mental patients has been provided and substantial improvements carried out at the various asylums.

It is proposed that Anzac Day shall be a public holiday.

Bills will be introduced to bring about reforms in connexion with weights and measures, censorship of films, race meetings, and motor licences.

An amending Factories and Shop Bill will be introduced to provide for the more effective working of the Acts and the extension of the powers of Wages Boards.

The Government and people of Victoria offer the heartiest welcome and greetings to the officers and men of the fleet of the Navy of the United States of America which is approaching these shores. They accept this visit as a demonstration of good-will on the part of that nation, and believe that it will have the effect of cementing the close relations and the sincere friendship which already exist between the peoples of the American Republic and the British Empire and are essential for the peace of the world.

I now leave you to the discharge of the high and important duties with which you are intrusted, and fervently pray that, under the blessing and guidance of Divine Providence, your labours will result in the advancement of the well-being and prosperity of all classes of the community.

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

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

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

9. RECEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT BY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported that, accompanied by honorable members, he had presented himself to the Governor, who had been pleased to approve of the choice made by the Council, and had addressed him in the following terms:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

I have much pleasure in congratulating you on your election for the second time to the high and important office of President of the Legislative Council.

I feel sure that Honorable Members have acted wisely in choosing you as their President, and that you will continue to uphold the dignity of your office with the same skill and tact you have shown in the past.

10. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH TO MEMBERS.—The President announced that he had received from His Excellency the Governor a Commission, which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

To the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke, President of the Legislative Council of the State of Victoria.

GREETING:

WHEREAS by the thirty-second section of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, No. 2632, it is enacted that no Member either of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly shall be permitted to sit or vote therein respectively until he has taken and subscribed before the Governor, or some person authorized by the Governor in that behalf, the Oath set out in the Second Schedule to the aforesaid Act: Now therefore I, the Governor aforesaid, do by these presents command and authorize you from time to time in the State Parliament House in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne, to administer the said Oath to such Members of the said Legislative Council as have not already taken and subscribed the same since their election to the said Legislative Council.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State, at Melbourne in the said State, this eighth day of July, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty five and in the sixteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. ALLAN.

Entered on record by me in Register of Patents, Book 29,
Page 162, this eighth day of July, One thousand nine
hundred and twenty-five.

W. P. HEATHERSHAW,

Under Secretary.

11. SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBER.—The Honorable J. H. Disney, having approached the Table, took and subscribed the Oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, JAMES HERBERT DISNEY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne, and are known as ‘Clontarf Terrace,’ Cecil-street, South Melbourne.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £167.

“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. H. DISNEY.”

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915* I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable Richard Hartley Smith Abbott,
The Honorable Henry Isaac Cohen,
The Honorable William Haslam Edgar,
The Honorable Dr. John Richards Harris,
The Honorable John Percy Jones,
The Honorable Thomas Henry Payne, and
The Honorable Joseph Sternberg

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

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—VICTORIA.

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

The Honorable Richard Hartley Smith Abbott,
The Honorable William Charles Angliss,
The Honorable William James Beckett, and
The Honorable William Lionel Russell Clarke

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

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

14. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, a Bill to amend Section Seven of the *Architects Registration Act 1922* was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

15. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Esmond Laurence Kiernan for the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorables Howard Hitchcock and Thomas Payne for the Session on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

16. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Honorable William Haslam Edgar be Chairman of Committees of the Council.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

17. PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the following members of this House be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways, viz. :—The Honorables Alexander Bell and Alfred Elliott Chandler.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

18. **THE HONORABLE SIR ARTHUR ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.—APPRECIATION OF SERVICES.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That this House desires to place on record its appreciation of the distinguished services rendered to it and the State of Victoria by the Honorable Sir Arthur Robinson, K.C.M.G., and to acknowledge the great ability and strength of purpose that characterized his long and honorable career as Member, Minister of the Crown, and Leader of the House.

And other honorable members having addressed the House—
The President said—

Before putting the motion to the House I should like to say a few words. For more than six years I was in the Cabinet with Sir Arthur Robinson, and, while I yield to no one in my admiration of his management of this House, still I believe that it was on the administrative side that a man closely in touch with him might best appreciate the great qualities which he possessed. In administration he was essentially a strong man. He was thoroughly impatient of shams and half measures. With that brilliant brain of his Sir Arthur Robinson first thought out carefully the right course to take and then, without any hesitation, he fought as far as his strength would permit to attain his end. In the Cabinet with him were Mr. Lawson, Sir Alexander Peacock and Sir William McPherson, and it was no small thing to be able to equal three such men, but I have no hesitation in saying that Sir Arthur Robinson, as long as he was in that Cabinet, was easily equal to the best as a counsellor. I never heard him advocate any half measure and I never heard him advocate any measure that approached the dishonest or the deceitful. As Mr. Abbott has said, he was a strong loyalist and every action of his was performed with the wish to benefit the State and to benefit the British Empire. I think this House will suffer tremendously by his absence. It is possible, as honorable members have hinted, that Sir Arthur Robinson may come back later on. I am quite sure that I am voicing the opinion of every honorable member when I say that if he ever does return he will receive a warm welcome here. He has retired because of his sheer honesty, for he found it impossible to give time to his own business and time to the State in the measure that he deemed the State deserved. We have, I think, too few strong men in politics in Australia. While, naturally, men of that type do tread on others' corns, I do not think any one who felt that he was hurt by Sir Arthur Robinson felt hurt very long, if he was an honest-minded man, when he recollected how firmly Sir Arthur believed in what he was saying, however dogmatic he might have been at the time. He must have been forgiven by every member of the House for that quality of hastiness, as it has been called, but which was really a hatred of shams and half measures. I am sure we all wish him success in his business and great happiness in his life.

The question was then put and unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

19. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Aborigines—Fifty-first Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.
Bendigo Sewerage Authority—Report of the Royal Commission.
Bulk Handling of Wheat—Report of the Board appointed to inquire into the Bulk Handling of Wheat in New South Wales and a Scheme for Victoria, with Appendices.
Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the years 1922–23 and 1923–24.
Mines Department—Gold and Mineral Statistics for the year 1924.
Police Commission—Report of the Royal Commission on the Victorian Police Force.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarters ended 30th September, 1924, 31st December, 1924, and 31st March, 1925.

Companies Act 1915—

Rule 196—Return by Prothonotary of business of the Supreme Court in connexion with the winding up of Companies.

Summary of Statements for the year 1923 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance business in Victoria.

Dairy Produce Act 1919—Consolidated Regulations.

Dried Fruits Act 1924—Regulations (3 papers).

Education Act 1915—Regulation XXI.—Scholarships.

Education Acts and Public Service Act 1915—Education Department—Consolidated Regulations and Instructions.

Explosives Act 1915—

Additions to Orders in Council (2 papers).

Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the Working of the Act during the year 1924.

Fire Brigades Act 1915—Report of the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board for the year 1923–24.

Fruit Acts—Regulations.

Hospitals and Charities Act 1922—Regulations (2 papers).

Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1923.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1924—Regulations.

Land Act 1915—Particulars of Leases of swamp or reclaimed land under section 110.

Land Acts—Certificates relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Richmond North and Laverton State Schools and the Technical School, Wangaratta.

Legal Profession Practice Act 1915—Rules of the Council of Legal Education.

Marine Act 1915—Marine Board of Victoria—

Amendment of the Regulations relating to Pilots and Pilotage.

Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1924.

Melbourne Sailors' Home Act 1901—Accounts and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Melbourne Sailors' Home for the year 1924.

- Mines Act 1915—List of Suspensions of the Labour Covenants of Mining Leases and Licences granted during the year 1924.
- Motor Omnibus Act 1924—Regulations.
- Poisons Act 1915—Proclamation amending Second Schedule—Articles deemed to be Poisons.
- Police Pensions Act 1923—Regulations.
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria—Report of the Trustees for the year 1924, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1923-24.
- Public Service Acts—
- Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of—
- Cyril Wedderburn Burke from the Fourth Class to the Third Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
- William Malcolm Crawford from the Fourth Class to the Third Class, Department of Lands and Survey.
- William Henry Gray from the Second Class to the First Class, Department of Labour.
- Fred Lewis from the Third Class to the Second Class, Department of Chief Secretary.
- Claude Huddart Loftus from the Fourth Class to the Third Class, Department of Public Instruction.
- Clarence James Edward Pollock from the Fifth Class to the Fourth Class, Department of Lands and Survey.
- Matthew Henry Stevens from the First Class to Class 1A, Department of Labour.
- Regulations—
- Professional Division, Chapter II.—
- Department of Chief Secretary (4 papers).
- Department of Lands and Survey (2 papers).
- Department of Law (2 papers).
- Department of Public Instruction (6 papers).
- Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
- Department of Chief Secretary (3 papers).
- Department of Labour.
- Department of Law.
- Department of Treasurer.
- General.
- Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—
- Department of Mines.
- Department of Public Instruction (3 papers).
- Public Service Acts and Lunacy Act 1915—Regulations—Lunacy Department—Schedule of Salaries.
- Railways—
- Award No. 13 of the Railways Classification Board.
- Determination under section 2 of Act No. 3326 fixing the Basic Wage for the purposes of any Award to be made by the Board for the year 1925.
- Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarters ended 31st December, 1924, and 31st March, 1925.
- Thirty-fifth General Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.
- State Electricity Commission Acts—
- Amendment of the Licensing of Electric Wiremen Rules.
- Regulations.
- Supreme Court Acts—
- Fees under the Supreme Court Act 1923.
- Rules of the Supreme Court.

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

The Honorable H. Keck moved, That the Council agree to the following Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY —

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

Debate ensued.

The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

21. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable J. H. Disney moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of Unemployment in this State, and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
22. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Two million seven hundred and forty-six thousand four hundred and forty-seven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Hon. H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

23. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next, at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Has the resolution of the Legislative Council in favour of return railway tickets for country passengers been brought before the Cabinet.
 - (b) What action has the Government taken in order to restore to country railway passengers the same privileges of getting return railway tickets as are used and enjoyed by suburban passengers.
2. The Hon. M. SALTU: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Have the regulations in connexion with the Cattle Compensation Act been prepared ; if so, when will they be circulated.
 - (b) What amount of money has been paid into the Cattle Compensation Fund.
 - (c) What is the extent of claims made upon the fund, and have any settlements been made.
3. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Government will take steps to put a stop to the poisoning of stock by cyanide used by opossum trappers.
4. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if it is the intention of the Government to permit the mutilation of the Victoria Parade Reserve for the purpose of tram construction.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for the dispatch of business during the present Session, and that half-past Four o'clock be the hour of meeting on each day ; that on Tuesday and Thursday in each week the transaction of Government business shall take precedence of all other business ; and that on Wednesday in each week Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business ; and that no new business be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To move, That the Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House ; three to be the quorum.
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6. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To move, That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws, adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six Members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; five to be the quorum.

Contingent upon the foregoing being carried—

To move, That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.

7. The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the Registration as Dentists in Victoria of certain Classes of Persons registered or entitled to be registered as Dentists in the United Kingdom.
8. The Hon. Dr. J. R. HARRIS : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Registration of Opticians and for other purposes.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. H. H. Smith).*
2. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—*(Hon. H. F. Richardson)*—Second reading.

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

FRANK CLARKE,
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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1925.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1925)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH JULY, 1925.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 1.
Architects Registration Bill—[49].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 1.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 2.

TUESDAY, 14TH JULY, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable J. K. Merritt delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereinafter set forth :—

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I, JAMES KERR MERRITT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of One 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 situate in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as ‘Fairholme,’ Fellows-street.

“ And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Kew are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £170.

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

“ J. K. MERRITT.”

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 1).

4. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable W. L. R. Clarke moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the replies given by the Honorable the Minister of Forests to the Mover's questions on this day's Notice Paper *re* issue of return tickets at country railway stations; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
5. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the reply given by the Honorable the Minister of Forests to the Mover's question on this day's Notice Paper *re* mutilation of the Victoria-parade Reserve for the purpose of tram construction; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.

6. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Public Service Commissioner—Report for the year 1924.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Cattle Compensation Act 1924—Regulations.

Country Roads Board—Report for the year 1923–24.

Lands Compensation Act 1915—Return under section 37, showing the amount of money paid for the year 1924–25 by the State Electricity Commission for land resumed in connexion with the works and undertakings of the Commission.

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

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House ; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. **HOUSE COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Honorables W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar be members of the House Committee.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau be members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. **PRINTING COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams be members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. **STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That, in compliance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Committee on the Consolidation of the Laws adopted by this House on the 22nd June, 1915, a Committee be appointed, consisting of six members, to join with a Committee of the Legislative Assembly, to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee to consist of the Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson, with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; five to be the quorum.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution.
13. **DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, a Bill relating to the Registration as Dentists in Victoria of certain Classes of Persons registered or entitled to be registered as Dentists in the United Kingdom was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th August next.
14. **OPTICIANS REGISTRATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, a Bill to provide for the Registration of Opticians and for other purposes was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 11th August next.
15. **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
Debate resumed.
The Honorable W. P. Crockett moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th August next.
16. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until Tuesday, the 11th August next.
17. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 11th August next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at forty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th August next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1925.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Business.

To receive and consider the Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2) embodying the Supplementary Estimates for the year 1924-25.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST.

Questions.

1. The HON. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he will arrange for the Railways Commissioners to have lad porters and other railway apprentices who are being selected for employment medically and educationally examined in the various country centres instead of at the Railway Offices, Melbourne, thereby saving expense to all concerned.
2. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many tons of Yallourn brown coal were supplied to and consumed at the main power house during the month of June last.
 - (b) How many tons of Morwell brown coal were supplied to and consumed at the main power house during the same period.
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 - (g) What is the present cost per ton of mining and delivering Yallourn brown coal to the power house and the briquetting works during the same period.
 - (h) How many men were employed at the briquetting works and what wages were paid during the month of June.
 - (i) What is the amount of overhead expenses debited to the briquetting works and the amount of interest chargeable for the same period to enable an accurate estimate of the cost of the briquettes delivered on trucks at Yallourn to be made.
 - (j) What is the cost to date, since the Commissioners took charge, of removing overburden from brown coal at Morwell.
 - (k) What is the amount of coal rendered available by this work.
 - (l) What is the present cost of mining and delivering Morwell brown coal into railway trucks.
 - (m) What is the amount of overhead expenses and the amount of interest charged against this work in making the estimate.
 - (n) What is the total amount of loan money expended to date.
 - (o) What is the amount of loan money required to continue operations during the current financial year.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of Debate*—(*Hon. W. P. Crockett*).
2. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
3. DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
4. OPTICIANS REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.

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

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PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.

PRINTING—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephone F.3605), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer:—

Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the years 1922-23 and 1923-24. (No. 1.)

Railways—Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Outer Eastern Suburbs Connecting Railway or Tramway (Doncaster, Templestowe, and Warrandyte) (Report No. 7.)

Wheat—Report of Board on Bulk Handling of Wheat in New South Wales and a Scheme for Victoria, with Appendices (No. 2.)

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 15TH JULY, 1925.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 2.

Votes and Proceedings. No. 1.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 2.

Judgments (Reciprocity) Bill—[31].

Forests Bill—[22].

Great Ocean Road Lands Bill—[46].

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 3.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JULY, 1925.

(SPECIAL MEETING.)

1. The Council met pursuant to a summons issued by the President under Standing Order No. 43.
2. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
3. The President said—

I think an explanation is due to the House as to why I have exercised the discretion vested in me by the new Standing Order 43 to summon a special meeting of the House to deal with the Supply Bill, which covers the Supplementary Estimates, including the allocation of the Treasurer's Advance.

On Tuesday last the House passed a motion that it should adjourn until the 11th August. Late on Wednesday night the Clerk called upon me and told me that the Premier and the Treasurer had just requested him to do so because the Supplementary Estimates must be passed before the close of the financial year, which for the purposes of book-keeping and of the Audit Act closes upon the 31st July. The Government requested therefore that I should call a special meeting of the Council to deal with the matter as urgent and essential to Parliament's control of the finances.

I regard the power placed in my hands by Standing Order 43 as one which should be exercised with the very greatest caution. The Standing Order was drafted by the Standing Orders Committee and approved by the House with the thought in their minds that sudden emergencies of civil strife and the like might render its employment necessary. It is not difficult to imagine grave abuses which might arise if it were exercised for other than peremptory reasons, quite apart from the fact that its use inevitably submits honorable members to serious inconvenience in their business. Holding this view, I declined at the time to come to a decision, but kept it overnight that I might personally interview the Honorable the Treasurer and the Under-Treasurer. This I did, and, in addition to a verbal assurance that failure to deal with the Bill in July would plunge the finances and their proper audit into confusion, I have received the following written statement from the Treasurer:—

Memorandum for the Honorable the President of the Legislative Council.

It is essential that the Supplementary Estimates 1924-25 receive the approval of both Houses of Parliament before the end of this month. Section 36 of the Audit Act, No. 2616, reads—

“No sum or sums of money which are or shall be appropriated from the Consolidated Revenue for the service of any financial year shall be issued and applied except for such services and purposes as shall come in course of payment during the year for which such appropriation is or shall be made. Provided that for any of the “services and purposes” as aforesaid as shall remain unpaid at the end of the said financial year payment may be made not later than the thirty-first day of July in each and every year, and such payment shall be deemed to have been made within the said financial year.”

Section 7, sub-section 1, of the Public Account Advances Act, No. 3341, reads—

“There may be issued and applied temporarily out of The Public Account any sum or sums (not exceeding in all Five hundred thousand pounds) required to be provided for advances to the Treasurer to enable him to meet urgent claims that may arise before parliamentary sanction therefor is obtainable.”

The five hundred thousand pounds referred to covers the authority for expenditure on account of loan in addition to revenue expenditure.

The amount charged against this authority to 30th June on account of services other than those chargeable to revenue was £92,000, leaving a balance of £408,000 for revenue charges.

The Supplementary Estimates for the year 1924-25 amount to £644,000, or £236,000 in excess of the amount available, and it is therefore necessary that parliamentary approval of the Estimates be obtained before the end of this month in order that the Audit Act be complied with.

(Signed) A. J. PEACOCK,
Treasurer.

16th July, 1925.

Under these circumstances I believed that a sufficient reason had been supplied to bring Standing Order 43 into operation, since His Majesty's Government must be carried on and Parliament moreover has always been properly jealous of the control of the purse.

It is desirable to add that it is only essential for audit purposes to pass the Bill before the end of July when the supplementary expenditure exceeds the amount voted by Parliament to the Treasurer's Advance, out of which these expenditures are commonly made. This accounts for the fact that the Supplementary Estimates are not always passed before August, and may account for the oversight on the part of the Government which undoubtedly occurred.

In conclusion I wish to reiterate that I consider the President should on behalf of Honorable Members guard most jealously the power given under Standing Order 43. It was with great reluctance that I exercised the power on this occasion, and I trust I shall not have to do so again.

4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Six hundred and forty-four thousand two hundred and nineteen pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

5. ADJOURNMENT.—The President said—The business for which this Special Meeting was summoned having been concluded, the House at its rising, as previously resolved, will stand adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th August next.

And then the Council, at forty minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 11th August next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 3.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1925.

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H. H. NEWTON,
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 2).
3. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a copy of the following despatch :—

Melbourne,
24th July, 1925.

MY LORD,

Pursuant to the provisions of section 21 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the State of Victoria in the Senate through the death of Senator Edward John Russell, which occurred on the 18th July, 1925.

I have the honour to be, My Lord,
Your Excellency's obedient servant,
(Signed) THOS. GIVENS,
President of the Senate.

His Excellency the Right Honorable
The Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E.,
Governor of the State of Victoria,
Melbourne.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

4. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to facilitate the Enforcement in Victoria of Judgments and Awards in the Superior Courts of Parts of His Majesty's Dominions outside the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of Australia and to amend the Supreme Court Acts and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. STATUTE LAW REVISION COMMITTEE.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have appointed a Committee to join with the Committee of the Council to deal with anomalies in the law and make recommendations as to statutory amendments, such Committee consisting of Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Eggleston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Prendergast, Mr. Snowball, and Mr. Wettenhall, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit on days on which the House does not meet; five to be the quorum.
6. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the maladministration of the Police Department; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
7. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, a Bill to make provision for the censoring of Cinematograph Films and with respect to the Exhibition of such Films and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
8. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year 1923–24.
Hospital Matters in Britain—Statement by George Fairbairn and Arthur Baillieu.
Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1924.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Agricultural Education—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education for the six months ended 31st December, 1924.

Charities Board of Victoria—Report for the year 1924–25.

Education Act 1915—Regulation rescinded and Regulation substituted.

Factories and Shops—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1924.

Fisheries Acts—Notices of Intention to issue Proclamations—

To alter the netting boundary at the mouth of the Nicholson River.

To define the mouth of the Anglesea River and prohibit netting within a quarter of a mile of such mouth.

To permit the use of certain specified nets and fixed engines in Lindsay River, &c., in the North-west of Victoria.

Health Act 1919—

Offensive Trades Regulations 1925.

Seizure (Claims Procedure) Regulations 1925.

Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of additional land for the Bairnsdale State School.

Mines Act 1915—Regulations rescinded and Regulations substituted.

Public Service Acts—

Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of John Thomas Thynne from the Fifth Class to the Fourth Class, Department of Agriculture.

Regulations—

Attendance and Conduct of Officers, Chapter XIII.

Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—General (2 papers).

Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Chief Secretary.

Water Acts—Copy of Declarations of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the areas that ought to be constituted the Leitchville and Third Lake Irrigation and Water Supply Districts, together with plans showing the areas of such proposed Districts.

9. THE LATE HONORABLE AUSTIN ALBERT AUSTIN.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That this House desires to express its deep regret at the death of the Honorable Austin Albert Austin and to record its appreciation of his long and honorable service as a Member of the Legislative Council for the South-Western Province from the 21st July, 1910, till his retirement on the 3rd June, 1925.

And other honorable members having addressed the House—

The President said—

Before putting the motion, I should like to add a small tribute to Mr. Austin's memory. I know that every member in this House respected the honorable gentleman thoroughly. In his private life he was a most genial and charming companion. Within the House he may have been regarded as slightly conservative, but it is well to remember that his conservatism was of that type which follows the best of those institutions proved by time to be good, even though the House may have become more democratic of recent years, as, indeed, the community has. Mr. Austin's speeches were always fair, and, as Mr. Cohen has said, always carried weight, because they were well thought out. Mr. Austin came, as Mr. Sternberg said, from the ranks of the pioneers, and represented very largely the views of those men. It will ill-befit this generation to cast any slur on the pioneers, because it is generally agreed that they were a magnificent body of men. They started the State of Victoria, and, indeed, the Commonwealth of Australia, upon lines that are truly British, and that have gone far towards founding the very sound community into which we have grown. I deplore his death very greatly, and I express to his widow and relatives the sympathy of the House.

The question was then put and, honorable members signifying their assent by rising in their places, unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

10. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—

Debate resumed.

The Honorable J. H. Disney moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4, be postponed until Tuesday next.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if it is true that the Premier made a public statement to the effect that Australian seamen employed by the Commonwealth line must be prepared to accept similar wages to those employed on German or Japanese ships or else lose their jobs; if so, are these views shared by the other members of his Cabinet.
2. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if the regulations made under the Motor Omnibus Act are being carried out in every instance.
3. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he will lay upon the table of the Library all the papers in regard to Constable Brookes, Detectives Fowler, Olholm, O'Sullivan, and McPherson, and Superintendent Potter.
4. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if in view of the fact that it is ten years since the last revision of the Statutes, the Government will take steps to have them again revised.
5. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests how many additional railway employees, of all classes, will be called on to do Sunday duty in connexion with the departure and arrival of express trains to and from Sydney on Sundays.
6. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honourable the Minister of Forests what is the estimated loss of income tax due to the inability of the State to tax income derived from Commonwealth loans.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. J. H. Disney).
2. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
3. DENTISTS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
4. OPTICIANS REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading.
5. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
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7. VACANCY IN THE SENATE—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be taken into consideration.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.
3. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee of five members be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the Police Department in regard to the cases of Constable Brookes, Detectives Fowler, McPherson, O'Sullivan, and Olholm, and Superintendent Potter, and the administration of the Licensing laws; such Committee to consist of the Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. Sternberg, and the Mover; with power to send for persons papers and records, to move from place to place, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 12TH AUGUST, 1925.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.
- Dentists Registration Bill—[24].
- Opticians Registration Bill—[13].
- Judgments (Reciprocity) Bill—[31]. (To Members of Council only.)

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7.
- Apprenticeship Bill—[20].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 5.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. G. BATH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What amount of money has been paid into the Treasury under section 21, sub-section 2, of the *Horse Breeding Act 1919*.
 - (b) Has anything been done with such money to develop the industry ; if not, does the Government intend to take any steps in the near future.
2. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests what is the number of motor cars owned by the State, including those owned by all State activities functioning under an Act of Parliament.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
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Government Business.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5.
 Censorship of Films Bill—[35].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.
 Superannuation Bill—[76].

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. GAME BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Game Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
3. POLICE DEPARTMENT—ADMINISTRATION OF.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson having, by leave, read a statement regarding the administration of the Police Department—
The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, by leave, That such statement be laid on the Table and be printed.
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Friendly Societies—Forty-seventh Annual Report—Final Report of the Government Statist relating to the period of eighteen months ended 30th June, 1924, with Appendices.
5. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency’s Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
Debate resumed.
The Honorable A. Bell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
6. PYRAMID HILL WATERWORKS TRUST.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the following resolution, viz.—“ That it is expedient that, in accordance with the provisions of the ‘ Water Act 1915,’ the Waterworks District of the Pyramid Hill Waterworks Trust shall on and after the first day of January, 1926, be placed under the jurisdiction and control of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission ”, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Council concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have concurred with the Assembly in agreeing to the foregoing resolution.
7. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 4 to 7, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Amendment or Variation of Allowances under the Act of the Parliament of Victoria providing for the Abolition of State Aid to Religion and Numbered 391 and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Great Ocean Road Lands Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to facilitate the Enforcement in Victoria of Maintenance Orders made in England and Northern Ireland and other parts of His Majesty's Dominions and Protectorates and vice versa* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. ECHUCA LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to certain Land in the Borough of Echuca permanently reserved from Sale as a Site for Court House purposes and to the Buildings thereon* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
6. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
Debate resumed.
The Honorable A. Bell moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.
Debate on the main question continued.
The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, be postponed until Tuesday next.

8. **OPTICIANS REGISTRATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was, after debate, read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 5 and 6, be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 6.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests what is the number of motor cars owned by the State, including those owned by all State activities functioning under an Act of Parliament.
2. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What is the number of "Tait" and "Excursion" cars respectively used in each railway district.
 - (b) How many of such cars have been built during the year 1924.
3. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many High Schools are there in the metropolitan area and the country respectively.
 - (b) How many Higher Elementary Schools are there in the metropolitan area and the country respectively.
 - (c) What amount of money has been provided locally for the establishment of these schools in the metropolitan area and the country respectively.
 - (d) What is the estimated cost per annum of making all country Higher Elementary Schools High Schools.
4. The Hon. J. P. JONES : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if it is a fact that the Department of Public Instruction insists on pupils attending religious instruction, even though the parent sends to the head teacher a written notification of his objection, unless the parent in addition states that he has a conscientious objection to religious instruction.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. VACANCY IN THE SENATE—MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—To be taken into consideration.
2. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of debate—(Hon. R. H. S. Abbott).*
3. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—*(Hon. H. F. Richardson)*—Second reading.
4. GAME BILL—*(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)*—Second reading.
5. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL—*(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)*—Second reading.
6. THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT BILL—*(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)*—Second reading.
7. GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS BILL—*(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)*—Second reading.
8. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL—*(from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)*—Second reading.
9. ECHUCA LAND BILL—*(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)*—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915.*
3. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That a Select Committee of five members be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the Police Department in regard to the cases of Constable Brookes, Detectives Fowler, McPherson, O'Sullivan, and Olholm, and Superintendent Potter, and the administration of the Licensing laws; such Committee to consist of the Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. Sternberg, and the Mover; with power to send for persons papers and records, to move from place to place, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 20TH AUGUST, 1925.

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6.
- Great Ocean Road Lands Bill—[46]. (To members of Council only.)
- The Act No. 391 Amendment Bill—[4]. To members of Council only.
- Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Bill—[2]. (To members of Council only.)
- Echuca Land Bill—[19]. (To members of Council only.)

- Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11.
- Dentists Registration Bill—[24.] (To members only.)
- Architects Registration Bill—[49]. (To members only.)
- State Electricity Commission (Shepparton Purchase) Bill—[14].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 7.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many High Schools are there in the metropolitan area and the country respectively.
 - (b) How many Higher Elementary Schools are there in the metropolitan area and the country respectively.
 - (c) What amount of money has been provided locally for the establishment of these schools in the metropolitan area and the country respectively.
 - (d) What is the estimated cost per annum of making all country Higher Elementary Schools High Schools.
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3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What is the total amount of fees collected under the various Acts applying to motor cars and vehicles for the twelve months ending 1st August, 1925.
 - (b) What proportion of these fees was collected in the metropolitan area.
 - (c) How have these fees been allocated.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—MOTION FOR—*Resumption of debate—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)*.
2. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—*(Hon. H. F. Richardson)*—Second reading.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.
 Saturday Voting (Parliamentary Elections) Bill—[90].
 Parliamentary Elections (Railway Employés and Civil Servants) Bill—[89].
 Superannuation Bill—[76]. Papers in explanation of Provisions. (To Members only).

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 7.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Constitution Statute—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vic., Cap. 55, and Act No. 3118 during the year 1924–25.
3. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from His Excellency the Governor transmitting a copy of a despatch from the President of the Senate notifying that a vacancy had happened in the representation of the State of Victoria in the Senate through the death of Senator Edward John Russell having been read—
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this House meet the Legislative Assembly for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them with the foregoing resolution and requesting them to name the place and time of such meeting.
4. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
Debate resumed.
The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until later this day.
5. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly acquainting the Council that they have agreed to meet the Council for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell, and naming the Assembly Chamber as the place and this day at eight o'clock as the time of meeting.
6. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
Debate resumed.
The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until later this day.
7. VACANCY IN THE SENATE.—The President announced that the time had arrived for this House to meet the Assembly in the Assembly Chamber for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell. Accordingly the Council then proceeded to the Assembly Chamber, and being returned—
The President reported that the House had met the Assembly this day in the Assembly Chamber for the purpose of sitting and voting together to choose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell, and that the Honorable William Plain had been duly chosen to hold the vacant place.

8. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 9 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 2. POLICE DEPARTMENT—ADMINISTRATION OF—The Honorable H. H. Smith moved, That a Select Committee of five members be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the Police Department in regard to the cases of Constable Brookes, Detectives Fowler, McPherson, O'Sullivan, and Oiholm, and Superintendent Potter, and the administration of the Licensing laws; such Committee to consist of the Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, W. H. Edgar, J. P. Jones, J. Sternberg, and the Mover; with power to send for persons, papers, and records, to move from place to place, and to report the minutes of evidence from time to time; three to be the quorum.
 Debate ensued.
 Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
 3. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Council agree to the Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech (for Address see page 14 *ante*), having been read—
 Debate resumed.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President and such members of the Council as may wish to accompany him.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 4. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
 5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
 6. GREAT OCEAN ROAD LANDS BILL—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
 7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 7 and 8, be postponed until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at eight minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 8.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Government will consider the advisability of introducing legislation to provide for the appointment of permanent valuers whose valuations could be used for land tax, probate, municipal and other purposes, as suggested by the Municipal Association.
2. The Hon. H. KECK: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works what is the total amount of money paid by the Country Roads Board since its inception to engineers of municipal councils, and the amount paid to each engineer.
3. The Hon. W. TYNER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many 10-ton capacity railway trucks were in use during each of the years 1920-21 to 1924-25 inclusive.
 - (b) What capacity truck is the Department now building for goods traffic.
4. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What is the total number of permits granted for the holding of horse racing in this State.
 - (b) How many of such permits were granted by the present Government and how many by the previous Government.
 - (c) How many permits were granted for horse, pony, and trotting race meetings in the metropolitan area.
 - (d) How many extra permits were granted for pony and trotting meetings in the metropolitan area by the previous Government.
 - (e) To whom and for what purposes have extra permits been granted.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen*)
2. GAME BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 9.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1925.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.
3. The Hon. D. L. McNAMARA: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915*.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen*)
2. GAME BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
3. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 9.

TUESDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Great Ocean Road Lands Bill.
3. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year 1922–23.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1915—Regulation added.
Land Acts—Certificates relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Preston School of Domestic Arts (3 papers).
Mines Act 1915—Regulations relating to Mining Leases, Tailings Licenses, and Water Right Licenses (2 papers).
Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year 1924–25.
4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and ten pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 10.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported that, accompanied by Honorable Members, he had this day waited upon His Excellency the Governor and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council, adopted on the 26th ultimo, in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—
MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :
In the name of and on behalf of His Majesty the King I thank you for the expressions of loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign contained in the Address which you have just presented to me.

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

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 3).
4. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS AND TOBACCONISTS) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable H. H. Smith, a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915* was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, for the Honorable D. L. McNamara, a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915* was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
6. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1925.

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

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

7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at three o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. G. J. TUCKETT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many children attend each High School in Victoria.
 - (b) How many children in each High School pay fees.
 - (c) How many teachers are there in each High School.
 - (d) What is the maintenance allowed each High School and Higher Elementary School.
2. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many passengers travelled by the Sydney express train on each Saturday in July and August last respectively, showing separately—
 - (i) passengers from Melbourne.
 - (ii) passengers to Melbourne.
 - (b) How many passengers travelled by the Sydney express train on the following Sundays in August last, the 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th August respectively, showing separately—
 - (i) passengers from Melbourne.
 - (ii) passengers to Melbourne.
3. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What amount has been expended by the State Electricity Commission on the Western transmission and reticulation lines (Geelong to Warrnambool); how many units of electricity were consumed during the month of June last in that area; what revenue was derived from the same; how many officers were employed in the area, and what amount was paid to them during that month.
 - (b) Similar information regarding the Eastern transmission and reticulation lines (Yallourn through Gippsland).
 - (c) How many tons of briquettes were made during the month of August last.
 - (d) How many tons of briquettes were trucked by rail from Yallourn during the month of August last.
4. The Hon. A. E. CHANDLER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What is the total amount expended to date by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission on the drainage scheme for the land purchased by them at Hallam.
 - (b) What is the estimated cost of the completed scheme.
 - (c) What area of ti-tree has been cleared and at what cost per acre.
5. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Why is Mrs. Malone, of Chillingollah, who paid up the balance of money due on her Mallee leasehold in September, 1924, and was informed that a Crown grant would be at once issued, still unable to obtain it.
 - (b) Is it a fair thing to withhold this Crown grant because of the negligence of a shire council regarding a supposed claim for road requirements.
 - (c) Will the Government order the Crown Grant to be issued within a definite period.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(Hon. H. F. Richardson)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. GAME BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
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 2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading.
- H. H. NEWTON, FRANK CLARKE,
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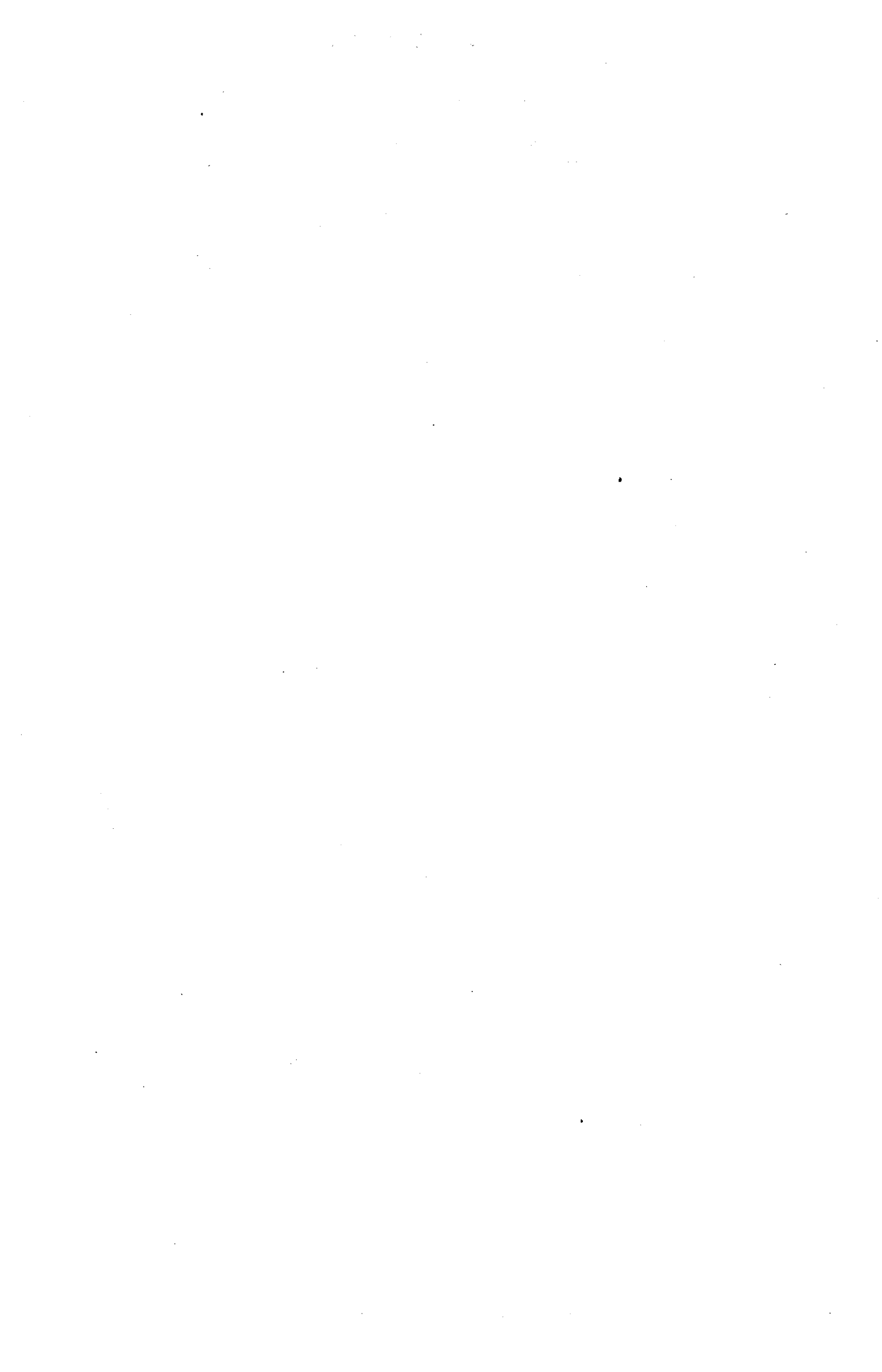
MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to issue a Proclamation to prohibit all fishing in the Upper Delegate, Bonang, Queenboro, and Bendoc Rivers from 14th April to 31st October in each year.
 - Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners—Statement of Accounts for the year 1924.
 - Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Law.
 - Leave of Absence, Chapter XIV.
 - Stores and Transport, Chapter XV.
 3. ADJOURNMENT.—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.—The Honorable A. Bell moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the closing of the Sub-Treasuries in the country, particularly in Ballarat; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
 4. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
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 6. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at fifty-five minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 11.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What amount has been expended by the State Electricity Commission on the Western transmission and reticulation lines (Geelong to Warrnambool); how many units of electricity were consumed during the month of June last in that area; what revenue was derived from the same; how many officers were employed in the area, and what amount was paid to them during that month.
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H H. NEWTON,

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FRANK CLARKE,

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MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 15th September.

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 Censorship of Films Bill—[35]. (To Members of Council only.)

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 12.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. H. SMITH : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS AND TOBACCONISTS) BILL—(*Hon. H. H. Smith*)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. D. L. McNamara*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. GAME BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Third reading.
3. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
4. THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
5. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
6. ECHUCA LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
7. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
8. POISONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 21.

Administration and Probate Bill—[99].

Superannuation Bill—[76]. Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Horse Breeding Act 1919’ and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
3. POISONS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Poisons Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, be postponed until to-morrow.
5. GAME BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “this day three months” added after the word “time.”
Debate ensued.
Question—That the word “now” proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of a proposed new clause.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 6 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 13.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday, the 29th instant, and that the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, be postponed until later this day.
3. GAME BILL.—The Order of the day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
4. JUDGMENTS (RECIPROCITY) BILL.—This Bill was, according to order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. THE ACT NO. 391 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
6. MAINTENANCE ORDERS (FACILITIES FOR ENFORCEMENT) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 and 7, be postponed until after No. 8.
8. POISONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday, the 29th instant.
9. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday, the 29th instant, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 6 and 7, be postponed until Tuesday, the 29th instant.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 29th instant.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at nineteen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 29th instant

H. H. NEWTON,
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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No. 13.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. ECHUCA LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 22.

Game Bill—[32]. Amendments made by Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

Fair Rents Bill—[100].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 14.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. THE HON. W. L. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What progress has the Country Roads Board made with the country roads programme announced by the Government.
 - (b) Are experiments with material for concrete roads being carried out.
 - (c) Are experiments made in England and America with material for concrete roads known to and the results watched by the Board's officers.
 - (d) Is concrete being made in Victoria of hard silicious materials; if so, is it found greatly superior in wear-resisting qualities to a concrete that contains limestone, dolomite, and other calcareous minerals.
 - (e) Is gravel, stone, or sandstone being used as an aggregate; if so, which is found to be the best; is clean sand found to be the best fine aggregate for concrete, and is it being used.
2. THE HON. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Government is enforcing the provisions of the *Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1922*; if so, how many prosecutions were instituted during the months of July and August last for failing to destroy noxious weeds.
3. THE HON. W. P. CROCKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests what is the attitude of the Government regarding the request of the Prime Minister that a Commission representing the various State Governments be appointed to make inquiries into the dried fruits industry.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. THE HON. H. H. SMITH: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Enrolment of Owners of Rateable Property in Municipal Districts for the purposes of Municipal Elections and Elections for the Legislative Council.
2. THE HON. W. J. BECKETT: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return from the various municipalities for the financial year 1924-25, showing:—
 - (a) Name of municipality.
 - (b) Rates struck and anticipated revenue therefrom for financial year 1924-25.
 - (c) Total of rates collected.
 - (d) Total of rates not collected.
 - (e) Credit balance of general account for financial year 1924-25, excluding loan money transactions.
 - (f) Debit balance of general account for financial year 1924-25, excluding loan money transactions.
 - (g) Total loan indebtedness of municipality.
 - (h) Total loan money spent for financial year 1924-25.
 - (i) Total money received from sources other than rates.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS AND TOBACCONISTS) BILL—(Hon. H. H. Smith)—Second reading.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Third reading.
2. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4)—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
3. ECHUCA LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14.
 Consolidated Revenue Bill—[103]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 26.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

- 1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
- 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Judgments (Reciprocity) Bill.
The Act No. 391 Amendment Bill.
Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Bill.

- 3. GAME BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Council and have made consequential amendments to the amendment in clause 1, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 And the said amendments were read and are as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
1. Clause 1, sub-clause (3), omit "Part II.—Gun Licences."	Agreed to, and the following consequential amendments made :— Omit sub-section (2), the remainder of sub-section (3), and the heading "Part I.—General," line 16.

On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie the Council agreed to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly in this Bill, and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

- 4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1924.
 Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Coburg East State School.

- 5. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
 On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 2, 3, 4, 6, and 21.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day.
 On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole.
 Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

- 6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 4 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million four hundred and sixty-one thousand five hundred and sixty pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
- On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 - Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
 - Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—
 - Department of Agriculture.
 - Professional Division, Chapter II.—
 - Department of Agriculture.
 - Department of Labour.
 - Department of Mines.
 - Travelling Allowances, Chapter IX.—Department of Agriculture.
 - Public Service Act 1915 and Lunacy Act 1915—Alteration of Regulations—Classification of Professional Division.
3. MUNICIPAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.—The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, That there be laid before this House a Return from the various municipalities for the financial year 1924–25, showing :—
 - (a) Name of municipality.
 - (b) Rates struck and anticipated revenue therefrom for financial year 1924–25.
 - (c) Total of rates collected.
 - (d) Total of rates not collected.
 - (e) Credit balance of general account for financial year 1924–25, excluding loan money transactions.
 - (f) Debit balance of general account for financial year 1924–25, excluding loan money transactions.
 - (g) Total loan indebtedness of municipality.
 - (h) Total loan money spent for financial year 1924–25.
 - (i) Total money received from sources other than rates.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable H. H. Smith, the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

Factories and Shops (Hairdressers and Tobacconists) Bill—Second Reading.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2, be postponed until Tuesday next.
6. CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 4).—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

8. ⁷/₂ POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 5 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 15.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What progress has the Country Roads Board made with the country roads programme announced by the Government.
 - (b) Are experiments with material for concrete roads being carried out.
 - (c) Are experiments made in England and America with material for concrete roads known to and the results watched by the Board's officers.
 - (d) Is concrete being made in Victoria of hard silicious materials; if so, is it found greatly superior in wear-resisting qualities to a concrete that contains limestone, dolomite, and other calcareous minerals.
 - (e) Is gravel, stone, or sandstone being used as an aggregate; if so, which is found to be the best; is clean sand found to be the best fine aggregate for concrete, and is it being used.
2. The Hon. E. G. BATH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Government is enforcing the provisions of the *Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1922*; if so, how many prosecutions were instituted during the months of July and August last for failing to destroy noxious weeds.
3. The Hon. J. H. DISNEY: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests what amount of money was obtained in fines for breaches of the Motor Car Acts in Victoria during the years 1924 and 1925, and how was the money allocated.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ECHUCA LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading.
2. POISONS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading—Resumption of debate—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)
3. HORSE BREEDING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. D. L. McNamara)—Second reading.

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Tuesday, 6th October.

STANDING ORDERS—At half-past Three o'clock.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1925.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1925)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.
- STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White.
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- LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.
- PRINTING—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Game Bill.
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 4).
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Education Act 1915—Report of the Council of Public Education for the year 1924–25.
Land Act 1915—Particulars of lease of swamp or reclaimed land under section 110.
4. ECHUCA LAND BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until after No. 3.
6. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 2.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with a further amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with amendments, and desiring their concurrence therein.
7. POISONS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The Deputy-President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

8. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable D. L. McNamara, the following Order of the Day was read and discharged :—

Local Government Bill—Second reading.

Ordered—That the said Bill be withdrawn.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 16.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. E. G. BATH : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Government is enforcing the provisions of the *Vermin and Noxious Weeds Act 1922* ; if so, how many prosecutions were instituted during the months of July and August last for failing to destroy noxious weeds.
2. The Hon. J. STERNBERG : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers in connexion with the case of Edward Woolley and the Education Department.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To move, That the Standing Orders Committee be requested to draft new standing orders having for their object the limitation of debate, and to report the same to the House.

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 28.

Primary Products Advances Bill—[79].

Censorship of Films Bill—[35]. To Members only.

Apprenticeship Bill—[20]. Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

Forests Bill—[22]. Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Blackburn. (To Members only.)

Victorian Wheatgrowers' Corporation Limited (Government Guarantee) Bill—[78]. Amendments to be proposed by Mr. Hogan. (To Members only.)

Horse Breeding Bill—[85]. Amendments made by Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz :—

Echuca Land Bill.
Poisons Bill.

3. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to enable the Treasurer of Victoria to arrange for the Repayment of certain Moneys to be advanced by Banks to the Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited in connexion with the Marketing of Wheat of the Seasons 1925-1926 to 1927-1928 inclusive, and for other purposes*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

4. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Footscray to Melbourne Road—Report of Board of Inquiry respecting Allocation of Cost of Construction of new Road from Bridge over Maribyrnong River, Footscray, to Flinders Street Extension, Melbourne.

Outer Ports Development—Royal Commission on Victorian Outer Ports—First Progress Report dealing with Classification and Administration of Outer Ports, Regulation of Transportation Systems and Outward Wharfage Rates, &c., together with Appendices.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Land Act 1915—Particulars of lease of swamp or reclaimed land under section 110.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board—Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1924-25.

River Murray Waters Act 1915—Report of the River Murray Commission for the year 1924-25.

Trade Unions—Thirty-ninth Annual Report—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1924, with an Appendix.

Workers' Compensation Act 1915—State Accident Insurance Office—Report, Profit and Loss Account, and Balance-sheet, for the year 1924-25.

5. LIMITATION OF DEBATE.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Standing Orders Committee be requested to draft new standing orders having for their object the limitation of debate, and to report the same to the House.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 17.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. STERNBERG: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if he will lay on the table of the Library all the papers in connexion with the case of Edward Woolley and the Education Department.

Government Business.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEED) BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong.
2. The Hon. R. WILLIAMS: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act 1915*.
3. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act 1915*.
4. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*.

H. H. NEWTON,
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. VICTORIAN LOAN BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Irrigation Works and Water Supply Works and for Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for Public Works and other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Irrigation Works Water Supply Works Drainage and Flood Protection Works in Country Districts and for Works under the River Murray Waters Acts and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. ANZAC DAY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to constitute Anzac Day a Public and Bank Holiday and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. HEALTH BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, a Bill to amend Section Two hundred and forty-eight of the *Health Act 1919* was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
6. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Preston East State School.
7. VICTORIAN WHEATGROWERS CORPORATION LIMITED (GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “ That ” be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the words “ the Bill be withdrawn with a view to the introduction of a Bill to provide for a compulsory wheat pool ”.

Debate ensued.

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

The Council divided.

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,

Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
R. Williams.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

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

House in Committee.

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

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

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

House in Committee.

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

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

10. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Corporations of the City of Melbourne and the City of Geelong was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

11. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, for the Honorable R. Williams, a Bill to further amend the *Factories and Shops Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, a Bill to further amend the *Local Government Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

13. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett, a Bill to further amend *The Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1915 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

14. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. L. R. CLARKE : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Were any losses sustained by the Railways Commissioners by the misuse of holiday excursion tickets issued during Show week ; if so, what is the number of definite instances of such misuse, and what amount was lost by the Department.
 - (b) If no loss was incurred, does the Government, in view of this evidence, intend to reintroduce return tickets for country travellers.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ANZAC DAY BILL (*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
2. HEALTH BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL.—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1925.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1925)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.

LIBRARY (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.

PRINTING—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.

STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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 Duplication of Railway Lines between Richmond and South Yarra, and Richmond and Burnley—Purchase of Land for (C. No. 1).
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 34.
 Police Offences (Benalla Race-course) Bill—[97].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many inspectors are at present employed in the following Departments :—Agriculture, Chief Secretary's, Education, Labour, Lands, Mines, Public Health, Public Works, and Railways, the Charities Board, and Country Roads Board, the Forests Commission, State Electricity Commission, and State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.
 - (b) What is the total remuneration paid to these inspectors.
 - (c) How many inspectors were appointed by the Labour Government, and cost of same.
 - (d) How many inspectors were appointed by the Allan-Peacock Government, and cost of same.
 - (e) Seeing that these inspectors are often referred to as parasites on the industrial community and are a great burden imposed on primary producers by reason of each Department acting independently, will the Government consider the advisability of co-ordinating the work of inspection generally, thereby greatly lessening the number of inspectors and possibly instituting important economies.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

- 1 The Hon. G. L. GOUDIE : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Acts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ANZAC DAY BILL (*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
2. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
3. CONVEYANCING BILL—(*Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To move, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed to inquire into and report upon questions of finance and public accounts submitted to it by resolution of the House ; with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.

Contingent upon the foregoing being carried—

To move, That such Committee consist of the Honorables W. Angliss, W. J. Beckett, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, M. Saltau, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and the Mover.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

FRANK CLARKE,

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 Trade Unions—Report of the Government Statist for the year 1924 (No. 28).
 Victorian Coal Miners' Accidents Relief Board—Report for the year 1924 (No. 13).
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37.

Superannuation Bill—[76]. (To Members only.)

Superannuation Bill—[76]. Amendments to be proposed after Third Reading. (To Members only.)

Fair Rents Bill—[100]. Amendments to be proposed in Committee. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 19.

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1925.

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

2. SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBER.—The Honorable H. Hitchcock, having approached the Table, took and subscribed the Oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth :—

“ In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915*, I Howard Hitchcock do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of over 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 situate in the municipal district of Newtown and Chilwell, and are known as “ Como,” Skene-street, Geelong, being part of allotments 1 and 2, section 2, parish of Moorpanyal, county of Grant.

And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Newtown and Chilwell are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £365.

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

H. HITCHCOCK.”

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—

Victorian Wheatgrowers Corporation Limited (Government Guarantee) Bill.
Victorian Loan Bill
Water Supply Loans Application Bill.

4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and fourteen thousand nine hundred and four pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

5. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, a Bill relating to the Names Styles Titles or Designations under which Businesses are carried on by Partners or certain other Persons was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

6. CONVEYANCING BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, a Bill to make provision with respect to Presumptions of Survivorship in regard to Claims to Property was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.

7. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
- Exhibition Trustees—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1924–25.
 - Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts, for the year 1924–25.
 - State Rivers and Water Supply Commission—Twentieth Annual Report, 1924–25.
 - State Savings Bank of Victoria—Statements and Returns for the year 1924–25.
 - University of Melbourne—Annual Report, 1924–25 ; with Statutes and Regulations and Amendments allowed by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria
 - Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1924.
8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, be postponed until later this day.
9. HEALTH BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate ensued.
- The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
- Debate ensued.
- Motion—That the debate be now adjourned—by leave, withdrawn.
- Debate on the main question continued.
- Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- House in Committee.
- The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
10. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 5).— This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- House in Committee.
- The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
11. HORSE BREEDING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendments made in such Bill by the Council.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 1, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 20.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 2. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday, the 10th November next.
 3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, and after debate, a Bill to amend the Local Government Acts was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 10th November next.
 4. ANZAC DAY BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
- House in Committee.
- The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
- Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

5. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to make provision on a Contributory Basis for Superannuation Benefits for certain Public Officers and Employés and Benefits for certain of their Dependants, and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday, the 10th November next.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, be postponed until Tuesday, the 10th November next.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 10th November next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fourteen minutes past ten o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 10th November next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 20.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—

(a) How many inspectors are at present employed in the following Departments :—Agriculture, Chief Secretary's, Education, Labour, Lands, Mines, Public Health, Public Works, and Railways, the Charities Board, and Country Roads Board, the Forests Commission, State Electricity Commission, and State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.

(b) What is the total remuneration paid to these inspectors.

(c) How many inspectors were appointed by the Labour Government, and cost of same.

(d) How many inspectors were appointed by the Allan-Peacock Government, and cost of same.

(e) Will the Government consider the advisability of co-ordinating the work of inspection generally, thereby greatly lessening the number of inspectors and possibly instituting important economies.

2. The Hon. W. TYNER : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—

(a) In how many licensing districts was reduction of licenses carried at the poll held in 1920.

(b) What are the names of those districts, and how many licences have been cancelled in each.

(c) In how many of such districts or parts thereof have new licences been granted, showing separately (i) hotel licences, (ii) wine and spirit licences, (iii) Australian wine licences, and (iv) club licences.

(d) Where are such newly licenced premises, if any, situated.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. SUPERANNUATION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.

2. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.

3. CONVEYANCING BILL—(*Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.

General Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 38.

Health Bill—[110].

Stock Foods Bill—[42]. Amendments to be proposed by Colonel Bouchier. (To Members only.)

Pharmaceutical Chemists Bill—[29].

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 5).
Horse Breeding Bill.
Anzac Day Bill.
3. POLICE OFFENCES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Police Offences Act 1915* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable W. P. Crockett, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 Soldier Settlement—Report of the Royal Commission on Soldier Settlement, with Appendices.
 Ordered to lie on the Table.
 The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
 Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Swinburne Technical School, Hawthorn.
 Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—
 Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Lands and Survey.
 Professional Division, Chapter II.—Department of Chief Secretary.
 State Electricity Commission of Victoria—Regulations—Electrical Installations—Quality of Materials, Fittings, and Apparatus to be used, and Methods to be followed.
5. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2, be postponed until later this day.
7. CONVEYANCING BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.

8. STOCK FOODS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Stock Foods* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
9. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 21.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) How many inspectors are at present employed in the following Departments :—Agriculture, Chief Secretary's, Education, Labour, Lands, Mines, Public Health, Public Works, and Railways, the Charities Board, and Country Roads Board, the Forests Commission, State Electricity Commission, and State Rivers and Water Supply Commission.
 - (b) What is the total remuneration paid to these inspectors.
 - (c) How many inspectors were appointed by the Labour Government, and cost of same.
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 - (e) Will the Government consider the advisability of co-ordinating the work of inspection generally, thereby greatly lessening the number of inspectors and possibly instituting important economies.
2. The Hon. W. ANGLISS : To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works—
 - (a) What amount of money received from fees and fines paid under the Motor Car Acts has been paid into the Country Roads Board Fund for each of the past five years.
 - (b) How much of such money has been expended each year on road works, and how much remained unexpended.
 - (c) What is the total amount of money spent by the Country Roads Board for each of the years 1921-1925.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. SUPERANNUATION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen.)*
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3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 21.
 Stock Foods Bill—[42]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 42.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 22.

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 - (a) Is it a fact that during a police raid on an alleged sly grog shop at 68 Bell-street, Fitzroy, on 21st October last, a nude man and woman were found in a room on the premises.
 - (b) Did the man present a police medal No. 80 to the licensing police.
 - (c) Who is the rightful owner of police medal No. 80, and what steps have been taken to establish the identity of the person who presented the medal.
 - (d) Are any police reports on this matter in existence from the Fitzroy police or the officer in charge at Melbourne ; if so, will the Minister lay all the papers in connexion therewith on the table of the Library.
3. The Hon. E. L. KIERNAN : To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if, before filling the vacancy on the Forests Commission, it is the intention of the Government to call for applications by public advertisement ; if so, will preference be given to an officer already in the Service providing he has the necessary qualifications.
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Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Section Twenty-one of the *University Act 1923*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. STOCK FOODS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen.)
2. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 44.

Conveyancing Bill—[81]. (To Assembly Members only.)

Apprenticeship Bill—[20]. New clause to be proposed by Mr. Blackburn. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable E. L. Kiernan delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the forty-ninth section of the Act No. 2632, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, I, ESMOND LAURENCE KIERNAN*, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as house and land in Waldemar-road, Ivanhoe.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Heidelberg are rated in the rate-book of the said municipality upon a yearly value of £70.

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

“ESMOND L. KIERNAN.”
3. PAPERS.—The Honorable G. L. Goudie presented—

Municipal Revenue and Expenditure—Return to an Order of the Council dated 30th September, 1925.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Land Act 1915—Particulars of lease of swamp or reclaimed land under section 110.
4. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

The Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris moved, That the Report be now adopted.

The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “That” be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words “the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 3.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate on the main question ensued.

Question—That the Report be now adopted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

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

5. STOCK FOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable M. McGregor moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. TAMBO LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Tambo as a Site for Camping and affording Access to Water and to provide for the Temporary Reservation of Portion thereof for purposes of Public Recreation and Portion as a Site for Camping and affording Access to Water and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. MALVERN LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Revocation of the Permanent Reservation of certain Land situate at Malvern and the Permanent Reservation of such Land for Municipal purposes and for the Transfer to His Majesty of certain other Land situate at Malvern now used for Municipal purposes and the Permanent Reservation thereof for purposes of Public Recreation* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
4. SUPERANNUATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council with a consequential amendment and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
And the said amendment was read and is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.
Clause 13, page 10, line 28, omit “ and ”.	} Agreed to with the following consequential amendment :— Line 29, after “ Fourth ” insert “ and Fifth ”.

On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Council agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Assembly in this Bill, and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.
5. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—

Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Beet Sugar Factory at Maffra.
6. FINANCE AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That a Select Committee of nine Members be appointed to inquire into and report upon questions of finance and public accounts submitted to it by resolution of the House ; with power to send for persons, papers, and records ; three to be the quorum.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and negatived.

7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1 to 4 inclusive, be postponed until Tuesday next.
8. **POLICE OFFENCES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable W. P. Crockett moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Debate ensued.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.
Debate on the main question continued.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and negatived.
9. **UNIVERSITY BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, a Bill to amend Section Twenty-one of the *University Act* 1923 was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
10. **STOCK FOODS 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.
The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “this day four weeks” added after the word “time”.
Debate ensued.
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
11. **PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) 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—put.
The Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. H. Smith.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 3 be postponed until Tuesday next.
13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
And then the Council, at fifty-four minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 23.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STOCK FOODS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
3. UNIVERSITY BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
4. TAMBO LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
5. MALVERN LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
6. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1925.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1925)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White

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STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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 Stock Foods Bill—[42]. Amendments to be proposed by the Hons. M. McGregor and W. Tyner. (To Members of Council only.)

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 Apprenticeship Bill—[20]. Amendments to be proposed by Sir A. Peacock. (To Members only.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 24.

WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STOCK FOODS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
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5. MALVERN LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
6. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—To be further considered in Committee.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

1. The Council met in accordance with adjournment.
2. **ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT.**—The Clerk having announced that the Honorable the President was unavoidably absent in consequence of illness, the Honorable W. H. Edgar, on the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, was chosen to fill temporarily the office and perform all the duties of the President during such absence.
3. The Acting-President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
4. **DEATH OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN ALEXANDRA.**—The Acting-President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting an Address to His Majesty the King and an Address to His Excellency the Governor, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

The Address to His Majesty the King was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty—

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, beg to express our heartfelt sympathy with Your Majesty, Your Royal Consort Her Majesty Queen Mary, and the Royal Family in your great sorrow at the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

We gratefully acknowledge the example set by Her Majesty Queen Alexandra during her long and noble life by her truly christian devotion to duty, deep womanly feeling for and ready sympathy with the sick and afflicted, and her loving care for children.

In common with all the Empire we mourn the loss of a noble Queen and Mother.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the".

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this House agree with the Assembly in the said Address.

And other honorable members having addressed the House, the question was put and, honorable members signifying their assent by rising in their places, unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

The Address to His Excellency the Governor was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Assembly of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to communicate, by cable, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the accompanying Address for presentation to His Majesty the King.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the blank in the foregoing Address be filled up by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the".

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this House agree with the Assembly in the said Address.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the foregoing Addresses and have filled up the blanks therein by the insertion of the words "Legislative Council and the".

5. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Queen Mother, the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

No. 25.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

- 1 The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented Messages from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council—
That he had transmitted by cable to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, for presentation to His Majesty the King, the joint Address of Sympathy passed by both Houses of the Legislature of Victoria on the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.
That he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bill presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—
Superannuation Bill.
3. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to Apprenticeship and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. ADJOURNMENT.—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the replies given by the Honorable the Minister of Forests to the questions asked by the Mover on the 18th instant with reference to inspectors employed in various Government departments; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed—
Debate ensued.
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Fisheries Acts—Notice of Intention to vary the Proclamation re Use of long lines in Port Phillip Bay (including Corio and Hobson’s Bays).
Forests Commission of Victoria—Sixth Annual Report, Financial Year 1924–25.
Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Technical School, Collingwood.
Public Service Act 1915—Copy of papers in connexion with the promotion of Archibald Forsyth Graham from the Fourth Class to the Third Class, Department of Public Instruction.
State Electricity Commission of Victoria—Report for the year 1924–25, together with Appendices.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1, 3, and 4, be postponed until Tuesday next, and that the consideration of Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2 be postponed until later this day.
7. APPRENTICESHIP BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. STOCK FOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 6 inclusive be postponed until Tuesday next.
10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable R. Williams moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday next.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at fifty minutes past ten o’clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. W. H. EDGAR: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if the Government is aware that the Railways Commissioners require municipal councils to purchase the land necessary for the erection of new stations on existing lines in the suburban area.
2. The Hon. H. H. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is it a fact that during the alteration of the Kerferd-road bridge bricks were being laid at the rate of five per half-hour.
 - (b) Will the Minister call for a full report on this work.

Government Business.

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that Private Members' business shall take precedence of Government business on Wednesday in each week, and that half-past Four o'clock shall be the hour of meeting on Wednesday and Thursday in each week be rescinded, and that for the remainder of the Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business, and Three o'clock shall be the hour of meeting on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading.
2. STOCK FOODS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. UNIVERSITY BILL—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading.
4. TAMBO LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—Second reading.
5. MALVERN LAND BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.
6. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen.)*

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—(*Hon. R. Williams*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen.)*
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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

FRANK CLARKE,
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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 26.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What were the circumstances and the reason under which the cutting of timber on frontages to Hughes Creek was carried out.
 - (b) What was the value of the timber cut.
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Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.)
2. STOCK FOODS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—To be further considered in Committee.
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General Business.

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Rural Bank Bill—[117].

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No. 27.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1925.

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 - (a) How many men are there in the Victorian Police Force, showing separately (i) officers, (ii) sub-officers.
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4. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What were the circumstances and the reason under which the cutting of timber on frontages to Hughes Creek was carried out.
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 26.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 6).—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of One million three hundred and eighty-six thousand nine hundred and forty-one pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. CONVEYANCING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.
4. GEELONG (HARBOR TRUST) LAND BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Corio County of Grant and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
5. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the refusal of the Government to make public the full reports and papers in connexion with the finding of Police Medal No. 80 during a raid by the Licensing Police at Fitzroy and the failure of the Government to institute the thorough impartial investigation and inquiry which the occasion demands in the interests of the effective administration of the police force; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put and, after debate, negatived.
6. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Coal Mines—Annual Report of the General Manager of State Coal Mines, including the State Coal Mines Balance-sheet, and Statement of Accounts duly audited, &c., for the year 1924–25.
Hospitals and Charities Act 1922—Certificate relating to the proposed compulsory resumption of land for the Children’s Hospital, Melbourne.
Public Works Loan Application Act 1911—Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts of the Victoria Dock Cool Stores for the year 1924–25, together with a Report by the Manager.
Water Acts—Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the area that ought to be constituted the Fish Point Irrigation and Water Supply District, together with Plan showing the area of such proposed District.
7. ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that Private Members’ business shall take precedence of Government business on Wednesday in each week and that half-past Four o’clock shall be the hour of meeting on Wednesday and Thursday in each week be rescinded, and that for the remainder of the Session Government business shall take precedence of all other business and Three o’clock shall be the hour of meeting on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott and after debate, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 be postponed until later this day.
10. **UNIVERSITY BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
11. **CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 6.)**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 4 to 7 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.

And then the Council, at forty-one minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned until tomorrow.

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

No. 27.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—
Conveyancing Bill.
Consolidated Revenue Bill (No. 6).
3. **PAPER.**—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Dried Fruits Act 1924—Regulations.;
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. **STREET TRADING BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to regulate Street Trading in certain cases and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive, and Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1, be postponed until after Order of the Day, General Business, No. 2.

7. **FACTORIES AND SHOPS 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, the debate was resumed and, on the motion of the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott and after debate, further adjourned until to-morrow.
8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive, and Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 1, 3, and 4, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 28.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **UNIVERSITY BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the same without amendment.
3. **GEELONG (HARBOR TRUST) LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
4. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.

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

FRIDAY, 4TH DECEMBER, 1925.

- The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

And then the Council, at nine minutes past Twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 28.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Question.

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General Business.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 29.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Questions

1. The Hon. J. K. MERRITT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) What is the number of constables attached to the Hawthorn police station.
 - (b) Is the police station adequate in size for the number of constables employed.
 - (c) Are there necessary or reasonable appliances for the constables at such station.
 - (d) Is a 10-ft. right-of-way considered a suitable approach to the police station in such an important centre as Hawthorn.
 - (e) If the existing conditions at Hawthorn police station are admitted to be unsatisfactory, will the Government take steps to remedy that state of affairs.
2. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works if he will lay on the table of the Library the written request of the Melbourne City Council to have the benefits of section 148 of the *Local Government Act* 1915 extended to their corporation.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Third reading.
2. APPRENTICESHIP BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate* (Hon. H. I. Cohen.)
3. TAMBO LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading.
4. MALVERN LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading.
5. STREET TRADING BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
6. STOCK FOODS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. FISHERIES BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
8. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
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3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
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Closer Settlement Bill—[11].

MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER PAST THREE O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 30.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. W. J. BECKETT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests how many voters were enrolled or entitled to be enrolled on the first day of December, 1925, for each Province of the Legislative Council.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TAMBO LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—Second reading.
2. MALVERN LAND BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading.
3. STOCK FOODS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—To be further considered in Committee.
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6. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

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1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(Hon. W. J. Beckett)—Second reading.

H. H. NEWTON,
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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 29.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—
University Bill.
Geelong (Harbor Trust) Land Bill.
3. FISHERIES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Fisheries Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Outer Ports Development—Royal Commission on Victorian Outer Ports—Second Progress Report—Portland Harbour and a Review dealing generally with Economic Conditions affecting Outer Ports, together with Aerial Views, Maps, and Appendices.

Ordered to lie on the table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1925.

Education Act 1915—Regulation added.

Geelong Harbor Trust—Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 1924.

Land Acts—Certificate relating to the compulsory resumption of land for the Bylands State School.

Public Service Act 1915—Regulations—Classification of General Division, Chapter VI.—Department of Agriculture.

Railways—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the quarter ended 30th September, 1925.

Water Acts—Declaration of the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply defining the area that ought to be constituted the Avoca Marsh Drainage District, together with plan showing the area of such proposed District.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
And the Council having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1925.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

The Honorable J. H. Disney moved, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 24.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, amended by inserting “clauses 10 and 24 and a proposed new clause” in lieu of “clause 24”.

Question—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 10 and 24 and a proposed new clause—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith
J. Sternberg,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie the Council adopted the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill.

Ordered—That the Bill be read a third time this day.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 to 7 inclusive, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until this day.

7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at thirty-eight minutes past Twelve o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day.

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

No. 30.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1925.

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

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

Health Act 1919—Report of the Commission of Public Health for the year 1924–25.

3. ADJOURNMENT.—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 53.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson having, by leave, read a statement in regard to the finding of Police Medal No. 80 during a raid by the Licensing Police at Fitzroy—

The Honorable E. L. Kiernan moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the new facts in this case brought to light by the statement read by the Honorable H. F. Richardson; and six Members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed the question was put and, after debate, negatived.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the third reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
The Honorable W. J. Beckett moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “ That ” be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the words “ the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 20.”

Debate ensued.

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

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 20—put and resolved in the affirmative.

House in Committee.

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

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

5. APPRENTICESHIP 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.

The Honorable M. Saltau moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “this day six months” added after the word “time.”

Debate ensued.

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

The Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
H. F. Richardson,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
A. M. Zwar.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this Bill be read a second time this day six months—put and resolved in the affirmative.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 to 8 inclusive, and Order of the Day, General Business, No. 1, be postponed until to-morrow.
7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS 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—put.
- The Council divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
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Tellers.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
R. Williams.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
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Dr. J. R. Harris,
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H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. J. White.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, General Business, Nos. 3 and 4, be postponed until to-morrow.

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

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

No. 31.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Bank Liabilities and Assets—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th June, 1925.
Land Act 1915—Report for the year 1924–25.
3. **TAMBO LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
4. **MALVERN LAND BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. **STOCK FOODS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
6. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 4, be postponed until after No. 5.
7. **FISHERIES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.
8. **STREET TRADING BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Order of the Day, Government Business, No. 6, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until Tuesday next.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 31.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STREET TRADING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—Second reading—*Resumption of debate (Hon. H. I. Cohen.)*
2. STOCK FOODS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—To be further considered in Committee.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1925.

ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1925)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.

STANDING ORDERS—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White

HOUSE (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.

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STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

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Income Tax Bill—[127].

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER. 1925.

Question.

1. The Hon. J. P. JONES: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests if, in view of the great urgency to the Melbourne University of the early solution of the question of increased space for educational and hospital purposes, the Government will intimate its attitude to the request made to the Honorable the Premier by deputation on the 2nd December last.

Government Business.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To move, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no new business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.
2. The Hon. H. F. RICHARDSON: To move, That the Council meet for the dispatch of business on Friday next at Eleven o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. STREET TRADING BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. STOCK FOODS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—To be further considered in Committee.
4. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(*Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris*)—Second reading.

General Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. MELBOURNE AND GEELONG CORPORATIONS BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.
3. CONSTITUTION ACT AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett*)—Second reading.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 33.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. M. SALTAU: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is it a fact that the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission purchased 1,500 tons of chaff and a large quantity of oats in South Australia; if not, what quantity of chaff was purchased.
 - (b) What are the months of delivery, and quantity for each month.
 - (c) What was the price paid f.o.r.
 - (d) What freight is being paid thereon per ton to Victorian destination stations.
 - (e) What are the expenses incidental to purchasing and delivery.
 - (f) If price falls, to whom will loss be debited.
2. The Hon. R. H. S. ABBOTT: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is the General Store at Yallourn operated under the control of a local committee of residents or by the Electricity Commission as part of its activities.
 - (b) What amount of money has been spent on buildings and equipment.
 - (c) What amount of money was represented by stock at 30th June, 1925.
 - (d) Are operations conducted on a cash or credit basis. If credit is permitted, what was the amount of book debts at 30th June, 1925.
 - (e) What was the gross amount of turnover for the year ending 30th June, 1925.
 - (f) What was the amount of operating expenses for the year ending 30th June, 1925.
 - (g) Does the Auditor-General audit the transactions of the store annually.
 - (h) What was the profit, if any, made for the year ending 30th June, 1925.
 - (i) What amount of money has been spent on buildings, roads, sports grounds, and improvements generally in the township of Yallourn.
 - (j) What are the costs to the Commission annually of the lighting, water supply, and other services of a local government character incurred at the township.
 - (k) What revenue was derived from rents and other receipts from the township for the year ending 30th June, 1925.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. INCOME TAX BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson*)—To be further considered in Committee.
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MR. PRESIDENT TAKES THE CHAIR AT A QUARTER PAST ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day

No. 34.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1925.

Questions.

1. The Hon. M. SALTAU: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is it a fact that the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission purchased 1,500 tons of chaff and a large quantity of oats in South Australia; if not, what quantity of chaff was purchased.
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- *3. The Hon. F. W. BRAUN: To ask the Honorable the Minister of Forests—
 - (a) Is it probable that an unqualified teacher with a lower aggregate of marks than a qualified teacher in the same class will receive promotion over such qualified teacher.
 - (b) Is it not a fact that if the marks for the special promotion list are lower than for last promotion list, the above position would occur unless the names of qualified teachers in a class are raised to the 1st sub-class.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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- Wheat—Report of Board on Bulk Handling of Wheat in New South Wales and a Scheme for Victoria, with Appendices (No. 2).

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 34.

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Mallee Land Account Bill—[135].

Victorian Loan (Public Works) Bill—[123].

Teachers Bill—[41]. (To Members only.)

Street Trading Bill—[59]. Amendments proposed by Legislative Council. (To Members only.)

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 32.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
 2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing the Council that he had given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Bills, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz.:—
Tambo Land Bill.
Malvern Land Bil.
 3. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, a Bill to amend the *Nurses Registration Act 1923* and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time to-morrow.
 4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Friendly Societies—Report of the Registrar for the year 1924.
Supreme Court Act 1915—Rules of the Supreme Court—Repeal of Rule.
 5. STREET TRADING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.— Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
 6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, No. 2 and 3, and the Orders of the Day, General Business, be postponed until to-morrow.
- And then the Council, at thirty-eight minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

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

No. 33.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. INCOME TAX BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to continue the Income Tax Acts*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. FISHERIES BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council.

4. **ADJOURNMENT—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 53.**—The Honorable J. P. Jones moved, That the Council do now adjourn, and said he proposed to speak on the subject of the need for increased space for educational and medical purposes ; and six members having risen in their places and required the motion to be proposed, the question was put, and, after debate, negatived.
5. **ALTERATION OF SESSIONAL ORDERS.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders as provides that no new business shall be taken after the hour of Eleven o'clock be rescinded.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. **ADDITIONAL DAY OF BUSINESS.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Council meet for the dispatch of business on Friday next at Eleven o'clock.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. **INCOME TAX BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolutions :—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill, viz. :—

1. Clause 2, page 2, line 17, omit " Fourpence " and insert " Threepence ".
2. " " 22, omit " Fivepence " and insert " Fourpence ".
3. " " 26, omit " Sixpence " and insert " Fivepence ".
4. " " 30, omit " Sevenpence " and insert " Sixpence ".
5. " " 33, omit " Eightpence " and insert " Sevenpence ".
6. " " 39, omit " Eightpence " and insert " Sixpence ".
7. " page 3, line 5, omit " Tenpence " and insert " Eightpence ".
8. " " 9, omit " Twelpence " and insert " Tenpence ".
9. " " 13, omit " Fourteenpence " and insert " Twelpence ".
10. " " 16, omit " Sixteenpence " and insert " Fourteenpence ".
11. " page 4, line 19, omit " Seventeenpence " and insert " Fifteenpence ".
12. " " 28, omit " Seventeenpence " and insert " Fifteenpence ".
13. " " 38, omit " Seventeenpence " and insert " Fifteenpence ".

and asked leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Report was adopted.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

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

8. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until after No. 4.
9. **NURSES REGISTRATION BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered, on the motion of the Honorable H. I. Cohen, that the debate be adjourned until to-morrow.
10. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 to 3 inclusive be postponed until to-morrow.
11. **DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—On the motion of the Honorable W. J. Beckett the following Orders of the Day were read and discharged :—
Melbourne and Geelong Corporations Bill—Second reading.
Local Government Bill—Second reading.
Constitution Act Amendment Bill—Second reading.
- Ordered—That the said Bills be withdrawn.

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

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

No. 34.

THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Education—Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1924–25.
Outer Ports Development—Royal Commission on Victorian Outer Ports—Third Progress Report—Warrnambool Harbour ; together with Aerial and other Views, Maps, and Appendices.
Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust—Eighteenth Balance-sheet, as at 30th June, 1925.

3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 1 and 2, be postponed until after No. 3.

4. STREET TRADING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

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

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

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Closer Settlement Acts and the Discharged Soldiers Settlement Acts and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

6. INCOME TAX BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly, having considered the Message of the Council suggesting on the consideration of the Bill in Committee that the Assembly make certain amendments in such Bill, have decided not to make the amendments suggested by the Council.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be referred to the Committee of the whole on the Bill.

7. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be now taken into consideration.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the following amendment suggested on the consideration of the Bill in Committee of the whole be again suggested to the Legislative Assembly, viz.:—

1. Clause 2, page 2, line 17, omit “ Fourpence ” and insert “ Threepence.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 20.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
E. J. White,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 9.

The Hon. G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the following amendments suggested on the consideration of the Bill in Committee of the whole be again suggested to the Legislative Assembly, viz.:—

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| 2. | Clause 2, page 2, line 22, | omit “ Fivepence ” and insert “ Fourpence.” |
| 3. | ” | 26, omit “ Sixpence ” and insert “ Fivepence.” |
| 4. | ” | 30, omit “ Sevenpence ” and insert “ Sixpence.” |
| 5. | ” | 33, omit “ Eightpence ” and insert “ Sevenpence.” |
| 6. | ” | 39, omit “ Eightpence ” and insert “ Sixpence.” |
| 7. | ” | page 3, line 5, omit “ Tenpence ” and insert “ Eightpence.” |
| 8. | ” | 9, omit “ Twelvepence ” and insert “ Tenpence.” |
| 9. | ” | 13, omit “ Fourteenpence ” and insert “ Twelvepence.” |
| 10. | ” | 16, omit “ Sixteenpence ” and insert “ Fourteenpence.” |
| 11. | ” | page 4, line 19, omit “ Seventeenpence ” and insert “ Fifteenpence.” |
| 12. | ” | 28, omit “ Seventeenpence ” and insert “ Fifteenpence.” |
| 13. | ” | 38, omit “ Seventeenpence ” and insert “ Fifteenpence.” |

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

Ordered—That the further consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole be postponed until later this day.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

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

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett reported that the Committee had agreed to the following resolutions :—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill, viz. :—

1. Clause 3, line 10, after “ *Closer Settlement Act 1915* ” insert “ as amended by any Act ”.

2. „ „ , at the end of the clause add “ and the payment of interest thereon ”.

3. Clause 7, sub-clause (3), omit this sub-clause and insert in lieu thereof the following sub-clause :—

“ (3) This section shall be deemed to have come into operation on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five ”.

4. Clause 10, lines 10–11, omit “ date of the commencement of the said Act ” and insert “ first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-five ”.

5. Clause 12, page 7, line 40, omit “ has made ” and insert “ makes ”.

6. Clause 12, page 7, lines 42–3, omit “ before the commencement of this Act ”.

7. Clause 14, line 17, omit “ he may think reasonable ” and insert “ the Board may recommend ”

and asked leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 5 and 16.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett reported that the Committee had agreed to the following further resolutions :—

That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill, viz. :—

8. Clause 5, lines 2–7, omit the words beginning “ when adjustments ” and ending “ five hundred pounds but ” and insert—

“ in the case of any conditional purchase lease of a farm allotment issued before the commencement of this Act, where in the opinion of the Minister after consulting the Board the lessee has a reasonable chance of success if the area of his allotment is increased, the Board may increase the value of the area that may be held by him to any amount ”.

9. Clause 16, line 7, omit “ section twelve ” and insert “ the last preceding section ”.

and asked leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Report was adopted.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

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

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 4, and 5, and .

Income Tax Bill—Consideration of Report

be postponed until to-morrow.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

No. 35.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
 - Indeterminate Sentences Board—Report for the year 1924–25.
 - Penal Establishments, Gaols, and Reformatory Prisons—Report and Statistical Tables for the year 1924.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
 The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
 - Hospitals for the Insane—Report of the Inspector-General of the Insane for the year 1924.
3. NURSES REGISTRATION 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.
 - The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the word “now” be omitted and the words “this day six months” added after the word “time.”
 - Debate ensued.
 - Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
 - The Honorable W. H. Edgar moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 - Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
 - Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
4. TEACHERS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Law relating to State Schools and Teachers*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2 and 3, be postponed until after No. 4.
6. STOCK FOODS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and asked leave to sit again.
 Resolved—That the Council will, on Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
8. STREET TRADING BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have agreed to others with amendments, and have disagreed with certain amendments in clauses 4 and 6 but have made other amendments in the said clauses, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
9. LAND TAX BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to declare the Rate of Land Tax for the year ending the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to amend the Land Tax Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 2, 3, and 5, be postponed until Tuesday next.
11. DRIED FRUITS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Dried Fruits Act 1924 and for other purposes*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.
12. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 35.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1925.

Government Business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. DRIED FRUITS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. L. Goudie)—Second reading.
2. LAND TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
3. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Second reading.
4. STREET TRADING BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
5. INCOME TAX BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. H. F. Richardson)—Consideration of Report.
6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—To be further considered in Committee.
7. STOCK FOODS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. M. McGregor)—To be further considered in Committee.
8. PARTNERSHIP (FIRM NAMES) BILL—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—To be further considered in Committee.
9. NURSES REGISTRATION BILL—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris)—Second reading—Resumption of debate (Hon. W. H. Edgar).

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

FRANK CLARKE,
President.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES—SESSION 1925.

- ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS**—(Appointed by Mr. President's Warrant, 8th July, 1925)—The Honorables R. H. S. Abbott, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, T. H. Payne, and J. Sternberg.
- PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS (JOINT)**—(Appointed 8th July, 1925).—The Honorables A. Bell and A. E. Chandler.
- STANDING ORDERS**—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, F. W. Brawn, H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, Dr. J. R. Harris, J. P. Jones, J. K. Merritt, T. H. Payne, J. Sternberg, and E. J. White
- HOUSE (JOINT)**—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President (*ex officio*), W. Angliss, A. Bell, A. E. Chandler, D. L. McNamara, and A. M. Zwar.
- LIBRARY (JOINT)**—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, W. J. Beckett, T. Beggs, W. L. R. Clarke, and M. Saltau.
- PRINTING**—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables the President, R. H. S. Abbott, E. G. Bath, W. P. Crockett, J. H. Disney, H. Keck, E. L. Kiernan, H. H. Smith, W. Tyner, and R. Williams.
- STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT)**—(Appointed 14th July, 1925)—The Honorables H. I. Cohen, W. H. Edgar, G. L. Goudie, J. P. Jones, M. McGregor, and H. F. Richardson.

PRINTED PAPERS.

The following printed Papers can now be obtained by Honorable Members from the Clerk of the Legislative Council (Telephone F3605), and by others on the circulation list from the Government Printer. They can also be purchased by the Public from the Government Printer:—

- Bendigo Sewerage Authority—Report of the Royal Commission (No. 3).
- Charitable Institutions—Statistics for the year 1923-24 (No. 21).
- Charities Board of Victoria—Report for the year 1924-25 (No. 16).
- Children's Welfare Department and Reformatory Schools—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1924 (No. 22).

- Constitution Statute**—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 and 19 Vict., Cap. 55, and Act No. 3118 during the year 1924-25 (No. 18).
- Country Roads Board**—
Commission paid to Municipal Councils (C. No. 4).
Report for the year 1923-24 (No. 11).
- Education**—
Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the years 1922-23 and 1923-24 (No. 1).
Report of the Council of Public Education for the year 1924-25 (No. 23).
- Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure** for the year 1925-26 (B. No. 21).
- Exhibition Trustees**—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1924-25 (No. 29).
- Explosives**—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1924 (No. 7).
- Factories and Shops**—Report of the Chief Inspector for the year 1924 (No. 15).
- Finance, 1924-25**—Treasurer's Statement and Report of the Auditor-General, &c (A. No. 1).
- Footscray to Melbourne Road**—Report of Board of Inquiry respecting Allocation of Cost of Construction (No. 24).
- Friendly Societies**—Final Report of the Government Statist for the period of eighteen months ended 30th June, 1924 (No. 17).
- Gold and Mineral Statistics** for the year 1924 (No. 6).
- Hospital Matters in Britain**—Statement by George Fairbairn and Arthur Baillieu (No. 14).
- Hospitals for the Insane**—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1923 (No. 8).
- Marine Board of Victoria**—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account for the year 1924 (No. 9).
- Outer Ports Commission**—First Progress Report of the Royal Commission on Victorian Outer Ports, with Appendices (No. 25).
- Police**—Report of the Royal Commission on the Victorian Police Force (No. 5).
- Public Accounts Committee**—Report on Government Cool Stores, Victoria Dock (D. No. 1).
- Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria**—Report of the Trustees for the year 1924, with a Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year 1923-24 (No. 10).
- Public Service Commissioner**—Report for the year 1924 (No. 12).
- Railways**—
Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year 1924-25 (No. 19).
Reports of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—
Corack, Granite Flat, and Wooroonook Connecting Railway or Tramway (Report No. 3).
Corryong, Towong, Tintaldra, and Walwa Connecting Railway (Report No. 4).
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VICTORIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

No. 36.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1925.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
3. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Municipal Endowment* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
4. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend and to extend the Operation of the Metropolitan Town Planning Commission Act 1922* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
5. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend Section Six of the State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts) Act 1922* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
6. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (FINANCES) BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works and to Superannuation and other Benefits for the Officers of the said Board and other persons* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
7. MUNICIPAL SINKING FUNDS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act relating to Municipal Sinking Funds* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
8. WARBURTON (LA LA EXTENSION) TO BIG PAT'S CREEK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the Construction by the State of a Line of Railway from Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.

9. **CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have considered the Message of the Council suggesting on the consideration of the Bill in Committee that the Assembly make certain amendments in such Bill, and have made the suggested amendments.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be referred to Committee of the whole on the Bill.
10. **RAILWAYS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make provision for the Appointment of certain persons temporarily employed in the Railway Service to Permanent Offices therein*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein. On the motion of the Honorable M. McGregor, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
11. **INCOME TAX BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly, having considered the Message of the Council suggesting on the consideration of the Report of the Committee that the Assembly make certain amendments in such Bill, have decided not to make the amendments suggested by the Council.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be considered in conjunction with the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole on the Bill.
12. **VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the Raising of Money for Works and Undertakings of the State Electricity Commission of Victoria and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed.
Objection having been taken to leave being given for the motion, That the second reading of the Bill be made an Order of the Day for later this day—
The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be treated as an urgent Bill.
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
Ordered—That the Bill be read a second time later this day.
13. **PAPER.**—The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—
Companies Act 1915—Summary of Statements for the year 1924 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance business in Victoria.
14. **DRIED FRUITS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. **FIRE BRIGADES BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board to borrow a further sum not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
16. **LAND TAX BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
17. **VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) ACT 1924 AMENDMENT BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the Schedule to the ‘Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable Dr. J. R. Harris, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
18. **COUNTRY ROADS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to make further provision with respect to Main Roads and Developmental Roads under the Country Roads Acts and to amend the said Acts*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
19. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of Orders of the Day, Government Business, Nos. 3 and 4 be postponed until after No. 5.

20. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill having been read—

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Report be now adopted.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the following amendment suggested on the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole be again suggested to the Legislative Assembly, viz. :—

Clause 2, page 2, line 17, omit " Fourpence " and insert " Threepence ".

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
M. Saltau,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. K. Merritt,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. I. Cohen moved, That the following amendments suggested on the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole be again suggested to the Legislative Assembly, viz. :—

Clause 2, page 2, line 22, omit " Fivepence " and insert " Fourpence."
" " 26, omit " Sixpence " and insert " Fivepence."
" " 30 omit " Sevenpence " and insert " Sixpence."
" " 33, omit " Eightpence " and insert " Sevenpence."
" " 39, omit " Eightpence " and insert " Sixpence."
" page 3, line 5, omit " Tenpence " and insert " Eightpence."
" " 9, omit " Twelvepence " and insert " Tenpence."
" " 13, omit " Fourteenpence " and insert " Twelvepence."
" " 16, omit " Sixteenpence " and insert " Fourteenpence."
" page 4, line 19, omit " Seventeenpence " and insert " Fifteenpence."
" " 28, omit " Seventeenpence " and insert " Fifteenpence."
" " 38, omit " Seventeenpence " and insert " Fifteenpence."

Question—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 16.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. D. L. McNamara,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message suggesting that the Assembly amend the same as set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until later this day.

21. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and negatived.
 Debate on the main question continued.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
 House in Committee.
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
 Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
22. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to increase the Borrowing Powers of the Melbourne Harbor Trust Commissioners*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
 On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave, to be read a second time later this day.
 And the Council having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock—

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1925.

23. STREET TRADING BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council and disagreed with but amendments made by the Assembly or agreed to with amendments having been read, the said amendments were read and are as follows :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

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| 3. Clause 4, page 3, line 4, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen” | Disagreed with, but the following amendment made in clause 4 :—
Page 3, lines 3-4, after “any” omit “person under the age of twenty-one years” and insert “male person under the age of fourteen years or any female person under the age of twenty-one years”. |
| 6. Clause 4, page 3, line 15, before “but does not include” insert—
“(b) Playing singing or performing for profit or boot or shoe cleaning”. | Agreed to, but with the following consequential amendments in clause 4 :—
Page 3, line 17, after “aforesaid” insert “or the occasional playing singing or performing as aforesaid”.
Page 3, line 17, after “proceeds” omit “of such sale” and insert “thereof”. |
| 7. Clause 4, page 3, line 31, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen.” | Disagreed with, but the following amendment made :—
Page 3, lines 31-32, after “means” omit “any person engaged in street trading who is under the age of twenty-one years” and insert—
“(a) any male person under the age of fourteen years who is engaged in street trading; and
(b) any female person under the age of twenty-one years who is engaged in street trading”. |
| 8. Clause 5, sub-clause (1), paragraph (b), after “members” insert “one of whom shall be an adult person as representing the association in Melbourne known as the City Newsboys’ Society.” | Agreed to, with the following amendment :—
After “person” insert “appointed”. |
| 10. Clause 6, page 5, lines 4-5, omit “twenty-one” and insert “fourteen.” | Disagreed with, but the following amendment made in clause 6 :—
Paragraph (d), page 5, lines 4-6, omit this paragraph and insert :—
“(d) prohibiting any male person of or over the age of twelve years and under the age of fourteen years who is not licensed or any male person under the age of twelve years or any female person under the age of twenty-one years from engaging in street trading”. |

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by Legislative Assembly.

11. Clause 6, page 5, line 9, omit "twenty-one" and insert "fourteen."

Disagreed with, but the following amendment made in clause 6 :— Paragraph (e), page 5, lines 9-10, after "any" omit "person under the age of twenty-one years not licensed" and insert "male person of or over the age of twelve years and under the age of fourteen years who is not licensed or any male person under the age of twelve years or any female person under the age of twenty-one years."

12. Clause 6, sub-clause (2), omit this sub-clause, and insert in lieu thereof the following sub-clause :—

"(2) The following provision shall have effect with respect to the granting and renewal of licences under the regulations :—

No such licence shall be granted to any male person under the age of twelve years or to any female person under the age of twenty-one years."

Agreed to with the following amendment : After "granting" omit "and renewal".

Amendment 3, after debate, not insisted on and amendment of the Assembly agreed to. Amendment 6—Consequential amendments of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council, after debate, agreed to.

Amendment 7, after debate, not insisted on and amendment of the Assembly agreed to.

Amendment 8—Amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council agreed to.

Amendments 10 and 11, after debate, not insisted on and amendments of the Assembly agreed to.

Amendment 12—Amendment of the Assembly on the amendment of the Council agreed to.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly on the amendments of the Council in clause 5 and new sub-clause (2) of clause 6 and to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly in clause 4 of the Bill, and that the Council do not insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly in clauses 4 and 6 but have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in the said clauses.

24. CLOSER SETTLEMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair. House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill, including the amendments made by the Assembly which were suggested by the Council, without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same, including the amendments made by the Assembly which were suggested by the Council, without amendment.

25. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

26. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

27. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

28. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. House in Committee.

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

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

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

House in Committee.

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

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

30. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Chairman of Committees took the Chair as Deputy President, pursuant to Standing Order No. 35. The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned until later this day.

31. WARBURTON (LA LA EXTENSION) TO BIG PAT'S CREEK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

32. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS (FINANCES) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

33. MUNICIPAL SINKING FUNDS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

34. MELBOURNE HARBOR TRUST BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable G. L. Goudie moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The President resumed the Chair.

Debate continued.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

35. FIRE BRIGADES BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
36. VICTORIAN LOAN (PUBLIC WORKS) ACT 1924 AMENDMENT BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
37. RAILWAYS BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable W. J. Beckett having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with an amendment, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the same with an amendment, and desiring their concurrence therein.
38. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
The Honorable R. H. S. Abbott moved, as an amendment, That the word “ now ” be omitted and the words “ this day three months ” added after the word “ time.”
Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and negatived.
Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
H. I. Cohen,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
H. Keck.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this Bill be read a second time this day three months—put and resolved in the affirmative.

39. INCOME TAX BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly, having considered the Message of the Council suggesting, on the consideration of the question that the Bill be read a third time, that the Assembly make certain amendments in such Bill, have decided not to make the amendments suggested by the Council.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be considered in conjunction with the Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the third reading of the Bill.
40. INCOME TAX BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a third time, having been read—
Debate resumed.
The Hon. H. I. Cohen moved, as an amendment, that the words “ be now read a third time ” be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the words “ be laid aside.”
Debate ensued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.
The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
H. Keck.

Noes, 16.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
W. H. Edgar,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
M. Saltau.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That this Bill be laid aside—put and resolved in the affirmative.

41. STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION (FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS) BILL.—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
42. VICTORIAN LOAN (ELECTRICITY SUPPLY) AND APPLICATION BILL.—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, was read and, after further debate, the question being put was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.
House in Committee.
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable W. H. Edgar having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
43. PAPERS.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
Outer Ports Development—Royal Commission on Victorian Outer Ports—Fourth Progress Report—
Port Fairy Harbour, together with Aerial Views, Maps, &c.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk:—
Motor Omnibus Act 1924—Amended Regulations.
44. RAILWAYS BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council.
45. METROPOLITAN TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning this Bill and acquainting the Council that they have agreed to the amendment made in such Bill by the Council and have made consequential amendments in clauses 3 and 4, and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be now taken into consideration.
And the said amendments were read and are as follows:—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council.

Clause 5, line 5, omit "twenty-six"
and insert "twenty-seven."

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Agreed to with the following consequential amendments:—

- Clause 3, paragraph (b), line 13, omit "Eleven thousand two hundred and fifty" and insert "Fifteen thousand."
Clause 4, line 31, omit "the year" and insert "each of the years."
Clause 4, line 32, after "twenty six" insert "and One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven."

On the motion of the Honorable G. L. Goudie, the Council agreed to the consequential amendments made by the Assembly on the amendment made by the Council in this Bill, and ordered that a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

46. **INCOME TAX BILL (NO. 2).**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to continue the Income Tax Acts* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed and, by leave and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

47. **MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Motor Omnibus Act 1924 ’ and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

48. **SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to amend the Sewerage Districts Acts and for other purposes* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

49. **VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE) BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to authorize the raising of Money for Sewerage Works in Country Districts and to sanction the Issue and Application of such Money* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

50. **MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

51. **SEWERAGE DISTRICTS BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

52. **VICTORIAN LOAN (COUNTRY SEWERAGE) BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

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

53. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “ *An Act to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue to the service of the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament* ” and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

54. MOTOR OMNIBUS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read, the President left the Chair.

House in Committee.

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

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

55. GEELONG GAS COMPANY BILL.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Geelong Gas Company's Act 1858'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council therein.

On the motion of the Honorable H. F. Richardson, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, and ordered to be printed.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That all the Standing Orders relating to Private Bills, except those relating to fees, be suspended in relation to this Bill, and that the Bill be treated as a Public Bill.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

House in Committee.

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

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

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

57. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable H. F. Richardson moved, by leave, That the Council at its rising adjourn until Tuesday, the 19th January next.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at ten minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, the 19th January next.

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

QUESTIONS ASKED BY HONORABLE MEMBERS, AND REPLIES THERETO.

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* Notice of question given on last day of Session.
† Question not asked.

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

The following Bills were assented to by His Excellency the Governor (or the Deputy for the Governor) on the dates mentioned hereunder, viz. :—

On the 24th December, 1925—

Closer Settlement.
Dried Fruits.
Fisheries.
Land Tax.
Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways.
Public Works Loan Application.
Railway Loan Application.
Street Trading.
Teachers.

On the 31st December, 1925—

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Fire Brigades.
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Melbourne Harbour Trust.
Metropolitan Town Planning Commission.
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Municipal Endowment.
Municipal Sinking Funds.
Railways.
Sewerage Districts.
State Electricity Commission (Funds and Accounts).
Victorian Loan (Country Sewerage).
Victorian Loan (Electricity Supply) and Application.
Victorian Loan (Public Works) Act 1924 Amendment.
Warburton (La La Extension) to Big Pat's Creek Railway Construction.

On the 5th January, 1926—

Appropriation.





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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Colonel the Right Honorable George Edward John Mowbray, Earl of Stradbroke, K.C.M.G., C.B., C.V.O., C.B.E., Aide-de-Camp to His Majesty the King ; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS The Parliament of Victoria stands adjourned until Tuesday, the nineteenth day of January, 1926 :
Now I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the twenty-third day of February, 1926.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twelfth day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and in the sixteenth year of the reign of His Majesty King George V.

(L.S.)

STRADBROKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. ALLAN.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

SELECT COMMITTEES.

PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS
(JOINT).

APPOINTED (SEE ACT No. 2717) 8TH JULY, 1925.

The Hon. A. Bell

The Hon. A. E. Chandler

APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION 1925.

No. 1.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 8th July, 1925.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott	The Hon. J. P. Jones
H. I. Cohen	T. H. Payne
W. H. Edgar	J. Sternberg.
Dr. J. R. Harris	

No. 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 14th July, 1925.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. J. P. Jones
F. W. Brawn	J. K. Merritt
H. I. Cohen	T. H. Payne
W. H. Edgar	J. Sternberg
Dr. J. R. Harris	E. J. White.

No. 3.—HOUSE (JOINT).

Appointed 14th July, 1925.

The Hon. the President (<i>ex officio</i>)	The Hon. A. E. Chandler
W. Angliss	D. L. McNamara
A. Bell	A. M. Zwar.

No. 4.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 14th July, 1925.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke
W. J. Beckett	M. Saltau.
T. Beggs	

No. 5.—PRINTING.

Appointed 14th July, 1925.

The Hon. the President	The Hon. H. Keck
R. H. S. Abbott	E. L. Kiernan
E. G. Bath	H. H. Smith
W. P. Crockett	W. Tyner
J. H. Disney	R. Williams.

No. 6.—STATUTE LAW REVISION (JOINT).

Appointed 14th July, 1925.

The Hon. H. I. Cohen	The Hon. J. P. Jones
W. H. Edgar	M. McGregor
G. L. Goudie	H. F. Richardson.

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VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SESSION 1925.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do now leave the Chair.

—(*Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen.*Tellers.*The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.*Tellers.*The Hon. J. H. Disney,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

THURSDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 2.—CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen.*Tellers.*The Hon. A. Bell,
W. L. R. Clarke.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner.*Tellers.*The Hon. H. H. Smith,
A. M. Zwar.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 3.—CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—Clause 3—

3. (1) The Governor in Council may arrange with the Governor-General of the Commonwealth for the exercise and discharge by officers or authorities of the Commonwealth on behalf of the Government of Victoria of any powers duties functions or authorities exercisable under this Act by officers of the Government of Victoria.

(2) Any agreement relating to such an arrangement may make provision for all or any matters necessary or convenient to be provided for or incidental to carrying out the arrangement.

(3) Any agreement under this section shall be valid and effectual for all purposes.

—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word “may” in the first line be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word “shall”.—(*Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
F. G. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
A. E. Chandler.

Noes, 5.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
W. L. R. Clarke.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. Bell,
H. I. Cohen.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 2

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—GAME BILL—Clause 1—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Game Act 1925* and shall be read and construed as one with the *Game Act 1915* (hereinafter called the Principal Act) and the Act amending the same which Acts and this Act may be cited together as the Game Acts.

(2) Save as otherwise expressly provided this Act shall come into operation on the passing thereof.

(3) This Act is divided into Parts as follows :—

Part I.—General.

Part II.—Gun Licences.

—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ Part II.—Gun Licences ” in sub-clause 3 be omitted.

—(Hon. W. J. Beckett.)

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

Ayes, 7.

The Hon F. G. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. K. Merritt,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
A. E. Chandler,
G. M. Davis,
J. P. Jones,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
W. Tyner.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 2.—CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—Clause 21—

21. (1) On from and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, there shall be exhibited at every exhibition of cinematograph pictures in any theatre such a length of film as is prescribed showing cinematograph pictures produced within the British Dominions.

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—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Amendment proposed—That the word “January” in the first line be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word “July.”

—(*Hon. H. H. Smith.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
W. L. R. Clarke.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
H. H. Smith,
G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
W. Tyner.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL.—Clause 21 (as amended)—

[The clause had been amended by the omission of the words "such a length of film" after the word "theatre" in sub-clause (1).]

21. (1) On from and after the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, there shall be exhibited at every exhibition of cinematograph pictures in any theatre as is prescribed showing cinematograph pictures produced within the British Dominions.

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—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "at least such a length of film up to one thousand feet" be inserted in sub-clause (1) in place of the words omitted.—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Further amendment proposed—That the words "up to" be omitted from the proposed amendment with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "not less than."—(Hon. H. H. Smith.)

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

Ayes, 12.

- The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
- W. J. Beckett,
- A. Bell,
- H. I. Cohen,
- G. L. Goudie,
- M. McGregor,
- D. L. McNamara,
- H. F. Richardson,
- J. Sternberg,
- R. Williams.

Tellers.

- The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
- W. L. R. Clarke.

Noes, 13.

- The Hon. W. Angliss,
- E. G. Bath,
- A. E. Chandler,
- G. M. Davis,
- J. H. Disney,
- J. P. Jones,
- J. K. Merritt,
- H. H. Smith,
- G. J. Tuckett,
- W. Tyner,
- A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

- The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
- H. Keck.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 2.—CENSORSHIP OF FILMS BILL—Clause 3 (*on recommital*)—

3. (1) The Governor in Council may arrange with the Governor-General of the Commonwealth for the exercise and discharge by officers or authorities of the Commonwealth on behalf of the Government of Victoria of any powers duties functions or authorities exercisable under this Act by officers of the Government of Victoria.

(2) Any agreement relating to such an arrangement may make provision for all or any matters necessary or convenient to be provided for or incidental to carrying out the arrangement.

(3) Any agreement under this section shall be valid and effectual for all purposes.

—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “and shall contain a provision to the effect that such an arrangement may be terminated by the Governor in Council forthwith upon the passing of a resolution of each House of Parliament that it is not expedient to continue such an arrangement” be inserted at the end of sub-clause (2).—(*Hon. H. F. Richardson.*)

Further amendment proposed—That the words “upon the passing of a resolution of each House of Parliament that it is not expedient to continue such an arrangement” be omitted from the proposed amendment.—(*Hon. W. Tyner.*)

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

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
J. P. Jones.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
A. Bell,
F. W. Brawn,
F. G. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
H. Keck,
J. K. Merritt,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 4.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1925.

No. 1.—ANZAC DAY BILL—Clause 2—

2. (1) In commemoration of the part taken by Victorian troops in the Great War and in memory of those who gave their lives for the Empire the twenty-fifth day of April in each year (being the anniversary of the first landing on Gallipoli of troops from the United Kingdom Australia and New Zealand)—

(a) shall be known as "Anzac Day"; and

(b) shall be observed as a holiday in the public offices within the meaning of the Public Service Acts and as a holiday in all banks within the meaning of the *Banks and Currency Act 1915*.

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—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "twenty-fifth day of" in sub-clause (1) be omitted with the view of inserting in place thereof the words "fourth Sunday in".

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

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

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
J. H. Disney.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 2.—ANZAC DAY BILL—Clause 2—

2. (1) In commemoration of the part taken by Victorian troops in the Great War and in memory of those who gave their lives for the Empire the twenty-fifth day of April in each year (being the anniversary of the first landing on Gallipoli of troops from the United Kingdom Australia and New Zealand)—

(a) shall be known as “Anzac Day”; and

(b) shall be observed as a holiday in the public offices within the meaning of the Public Service Acts and as a holiday in all banks within the meaning of the *Banks and Currency Act 1915*.

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—(Hon. Dr. J. R. Harris).

Amendment proposed—That the words “shall be a public holiday throughout the State of Victoria; and” be inserted at the end of paragraph (a) in sub-clause (1).

—(Hon. W. J. Beckett.)

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

Ayes, 5.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones.

Tellers.

The Hon. D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
E. J. White.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—STOCK FOODS BILL—Clause 3 (*as amended*)—

3. In this Act unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

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“Hay” means any dried or cured cereal grass or legume from which the grain or seed has not been removed.

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—(*Hon. M. McGregor.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “by any mechanical process” be inserted after the word “removed.”

—(*Hon. R. H. S. Abbott.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 W. J. Beckett,
 A. Bell,
 A. E. Chandler,
 J. H. Disney,
 J. P. Jones,
 H. Keck,
 J. K. Merritt,
 M. Saltau,
 H. H. Smith,
 W. Tyner,
 R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
 G. J. Tuckett.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
 T. Beggs,
 H. I. Cohen,
 G. L. Goudie,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 H. Hitchcock,
 M. McGregor,
 H. F. Richardson,
 J. Sternberg,
 A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
 E. L. Kiernan.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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No. 6.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Clause 10—

10. (1) Notwithstanding the requirement of section two hundred and sixty-four of the Principal Act that general rates are to be made and levied equally in respect of all rateable property within the municipal district the council of any municipality the municipal district whereof is subdivided may on the requisition in writing under their hands of two-thirds of the councillors for any subdivision of the municipal district make and levy any general rate so that the amount in the pound thereof made and levied equally in respect of all rateable property in that subdivision shall be greater than the amount in the pound of the same rate made and levied in respect of rateable property in the subdivision in which the amount in the pound of such rate is lowest.

(2) The council in every case in which it makes and levies any general rate under the powers conferred by this section shall cause a separate and distinct account to be kept of all additional moneys collected or received by reason of the general rate being of such greater amount in the pound and of all payments and disbursements of such additional moneys, and shall expend such additional moneys in the subdivision from which the same are received.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be taken to authorize any council to exceed the statutory limit of the amount in the pound of any rates which it is authorized to make and levy.—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word “ shall ” in the second line of sub-clause (2) be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word “ may.”—(*Hon. W. Tyner.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 22.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. Bell,
W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
M. Saltau.

Noes, 4.

The Hon. G. M. Davis,
W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 2.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Clause 20—

20. In section five hundred and eighty-five of the Principal Act for the words “ a traction engine ” there shall be substituted the words “ a steam traction engine ”.—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie.*)

Question—That clause 20 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
H. H. Smith.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Clause 24—

24. Notwithstanding anything in the Local Government Acts or any Act relating to the city of Melbourne or the city of Geelong or in any by-law thereunder:—

(1) The council of any municipality (including the city of Melbourne and the city of Geelong) may subject to the approval of the Governor in Council make by-laws providing that—

(a) on from and after a date specified in any such by-law it shall not be lawful to erect over or across any public footway in any street or part thereof specified in the by-law any verandah supported otherwise than by cantilevers brackets or projecting supports; and

- (b) that before a further date specified in the by-law (not being less than ten years after the coming into force of the by-law) all verandahs over or across any such public footway which are supported otherwise than by cantilevers brackets or projecting supports shall be pulled down and removed.

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—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

Amendment proposed—That the words “ Notwithstanding anything in the Local Government Acts or any Act relating to the city of Melbourne or the city of Geelong or in any by-law thereunder ” be omitted.—(Hon. G. M. Davis.)

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

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. J. Beckett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
D. L. McNamara.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Clause 14 (*as amended*)—

14. Where the council of any municipality is desirous of opening any new street or road or diverting any street or road or increasing the width of any street or road within the municipal district and is of opinion that any land in the neighbourhood of the street or road though not actually required for that purpose (hereinafter referred to as “ surplus land ”) should also be purchased or be taken compulsorily the following provisions shall have effect :—

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—(Hon. G. L. Goudie.)

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

- (10) Where by reason of the carrying out of the works and undertakings provided for in any such scheme any property is increased in value the council if it makes a claim for the purpose within the time (if any) limited by the scheme (not being less than three months after the date when notice of the approval by the Governor in Council of the scheme is first published in the *Government Gazette*) shall be entitled to recover summarily as a civil debt from any person whose property is so increased in value one-half of the amount of that increase—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

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

Ayes, 8.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
J. H. Disney,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
W. H. Edgar,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
W. L. R. Clarke.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Clause 14 (*as amended*)—

14. Where the council of any municipality is desirous of opening any new street or road or diverting any street or road or increasing the width of any street or road within the municipal district and is of opinion that any land in the neighbourhood of the street or road though not actually required for that purpose (hereinafter referred to as "surplus land") should also be purchased or be taken compulsorily the following provisions shall have effect :—

- (1) The council shall prepare and submit to the Minister a scheme with all necessary information including plans estimates and particulars, and showing—
- (a) the works and undertakings proposed to be carried out ;
 - (b) the surplus land proposed to be purchased or taken ;
 - (c) any streets roads lanes or ways on or adjacent to the surplus land which it is proposed to close ;
 - (d) any new streets roads or lanes proposed to be set out on or adjacent to the surplus land ; and
 - (e) the manner in which it is proposed to subdivide any of the surplus land for the purpose of sale.

* * * * *

- (9) If after the works and undertakings provided for in any such scheme have been carried out the cost and expenses thereof are less than the amount received or to be received by the council from the sale of surplus land the balance shall be divided amongst and paid by the council to the several persons from whom any surplus land was purchased or taken, in proportion to the moneys paid by the council for such land.—(*Hon. G. L. Goudie.*)

Question—That clause 14 as amended stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. E. G. Bath,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 11.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. T. Beggs,
R. Williams.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 7.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Proposed new clause E—

E. In section seventy-one of the Principal Act the words "in respect of which all sums payable in respect of any rates made three months or more before such day have been paid" are hereby repealed.—(*Hon. W. J. Beckett.*)

Motion made and question put—That new clause E be added to the Bill.
Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 19.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
H. Hitchcock.

And so it passed in the negative.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 2.—FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL—Clause 3.

3. (1) All tobacconists' shops situate within the metropolitan district shall be closed in every week—

on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from the hour of seven o'clock :
on Friday from the hour of nine o'clock ; and
on Saturday from the hour of one o'clock—

but may be kept open until nine o'clock in the evening on the day immediately preceding a public holiday when such shops are closed for the whole of such public holiday.

(2) The foregoing provisions of this section shall be read and construed and have effect as if they were inserted in division two of Part V. of the Principal Act.

(3) Section five of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1919 and the heading thereto are hereby repealed.

—(Hon. R. Williams.)

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

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
A. Bell,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
J. P. Jones,
M. McGregor,
H. H. Smith,
J. Sternberg,
R. Williams

Tellers.

The Hon. E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara.

Noes, 13.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
F. W. Brawn,
F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
H. F. Richardson,
E. J. White,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it passed in the negative.

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No. 8.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—STREET TRADING BILL—Clause 3—

3. (1) Save as otherwise provided in this section this Act shall apply to the city of Melbourne only.

(2) The Governor in Council by proclamation published in the *Government Gazette* may extend this Act so as to apply to any other municipal district or part thereof and on the publication of the proclamation or a later date specified therein this Act shall apply accordingly; and in any such case the Minister may by writing under his hand authorize any person to exercise any specified powers and perform any specified duties under this Act or the regulations (including any powers or duties of the Board) in any such municipal district or part thereof and such person may exercise and perform the same accordingly.—(*Hon. G. L. Goullie.*)

Amendment proposed—That the word "Board" be omitted with the view of inserting in lieu thereof the word "Secretary."—(*Hon. H. I. Cohen.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 17.

The Hon. A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
W. P. Crockett,
J. H. Disney,
G. L. Goullie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
M. McGregor,
D. L. McNamara,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg,
G. J. Tuckett,
W. Tyner,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
M. Saltau.

Noes, 12.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
F. G. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
H. Hitchcock,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
J. K. Merritt.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 2.—INCOME TAX BILL—Clause 2—

2. (1) The rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say) :—

- (a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—
- (i) Where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Fourpence ; and
 - (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Fivepence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Sixpence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Sevenpence ; and
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Eightpence ;
- (b) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from the produce of property—
- (i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Eightpence ; and
 - (ii) where such income exceeds Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof up to Five hundred pounds, Tenpence :
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over Five hundred pounds and up to One thousand pounds, Twelvence ;
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand pounds and up to One thousand five hundred pounds, Fourteenpence ; and
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof over One thousand five hundred pounds, Sixteenpence.
- * * * * *
- (d) On the income of a company (other than a mutual life assurance company)—for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Seventeenpence ;
- (e) On the income of a mutual life assurance company—
- (i) with respect to its mutual life assurance business only, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Twelvence ; and
 - (ii) with respect to its other business, for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of income, Seventeenpence :

Provided that, where the articles of association of a life assurance company provide that a percentage of its profits is to be distributed among the life assurance policy-holders of the company, then, for the purposes of this section, the rate for every pound sterling of the amount represented by the like percentage of the taxable amount of the income of the company from life assurance business shall be Twelvence and the rate for every pound sterling of the taxable amount of the remainder of the income of the company shall be Seventeenpence :

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—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, paragraph (a), sub-paragraph (i), omit “ Fourpence ” and insert “ Threepence.”

—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 19.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
E. L. Kiernan,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. P. Crockett,
W. Tyner.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
A. E. Chandler,
W. L. R. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. Keck,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 3.—INCOME TAX BILL—Clause 2—

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, paragraph (a), sub-paragraph (ii), omit “Fivepence” and insert “Fourpence.”
—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
A. E. Chandler,
H. I. Cohen,
G. M. Davis,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
J. Sternberg,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
H. H. Smith.

Noes, 7.

The Hon. G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
G. J. Tuckett.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
W. L. R. Clarke.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—INCOME TAX BILL—Clause 2—

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, paragraph (a), sub-paragraph (ii), omit “Sixpence” and insert “Fivepence.”
—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

The Hon. W. Angliss,
E. G. Bath,
W. J. Beckett,
T. Beggs,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
G. M. Davis,
J. H. Disney,
H. Hitchcock,
J. P. Jones,
H. Keck,
D. L. McNamara,
J. K. Merritt,
M. Saltau,
H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner,
R. Williams,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
A. E. Chandler.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke,
G. L. Goudie,
Dr. J. R. Harris,
M. McGregor,
H. F. Richardson,
J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 5.—INCOME TAX BILL—Clause 2—

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendments in the Bill, viz. ;—

Clause 2, paragraph (a), sub-paragraph (ii), omit “Sevenpence” and insert “Sixpence”.
“ “ (a), sub-paragraph (ii), omit “Eightpence” and insert “Sevenpence”.
“ “ (b), omit “Eightpence” and insert “Sixpence”.
“ “ (b), omit “Tenpence” and insert “Eightpence”.
“ “ (b), omit “Twelvepence” and insert “Tenpence”.

Clause 2, paragraph (b), omit "Fourteenpence" and insert "Twelvepence".
 " " (b), omit "Sixteenpence" and insert "Fourteenpence".
 " " (d), omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence".
 " " (e), omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence".
 " in the first proviso, omit "Seventeenpence" and insert "Fifteenpence".

—(Hon. H. I. Cohen.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

The Hon. R. H. S. Abbott,
 W. Angliss,
 E. G. Bath,
 W. J. Beckett,
 T. Beggs,
 A. E. Chandler,
 H. I. Cohen,
 W. P. Crockett,
 G. M. Davis,
 J. H. Disney,
 H. Hitchcock,
 J. P. Jones,
 H. Keck,
 D. L. McNamara,
 J. K. Merritt,
 M. Saltau,
 H. H. Smith,
 W. Tyner.

Tellers.

The Hon. R. Williams,
 A. M. Zwar.

Noes, 8.

The Hon. F. W. Brawn,
 G. L. Goudie,
 Dr. J. R. Harris,
 M. McGregor,
 H. F. Richardson,
 J. Sternberg.

Tellers.

The Hon. W. L. R. Clarke
 G. J. Tuckett.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SESSION 1925.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 9.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1925.

No. 1.—INCOME TAX BILL (No. 2)—Clause 2—

2. (1) The rates of the duties of income tax which shall pursuant to the Income Tax Acts be charged levied collected and paid for the use of His Majesty in aid of the consolidated revenue for the year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six are hereby declared to be as follows (that is to say):—

(a) On all income derived by any person (not being a company) from personal exertion—

(i) where such income does not exceed Five hundred pounds—
for every pound sterling of the taxable amount thereof, Threepence and a halfpenny; and

* * * * *

—(Hon. H. F. Richardson.)

Motion made and question put—That it be a suggestion to the Legislative Assembly that they make the following amendment in the Bill, viz. :—

Clause 2, paragraph (a), sub-paragraph (i), omit “and a halfpenny”.

—(Hon. J. P. Jones.)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 6.

The Hon. W. J. Beckett,
J. P. Jones,
D. L. McNamara,
R. Williams.

Tellers.

The Hon. J. H. Disney,
E. L. Kiernan.

Noes, 18.

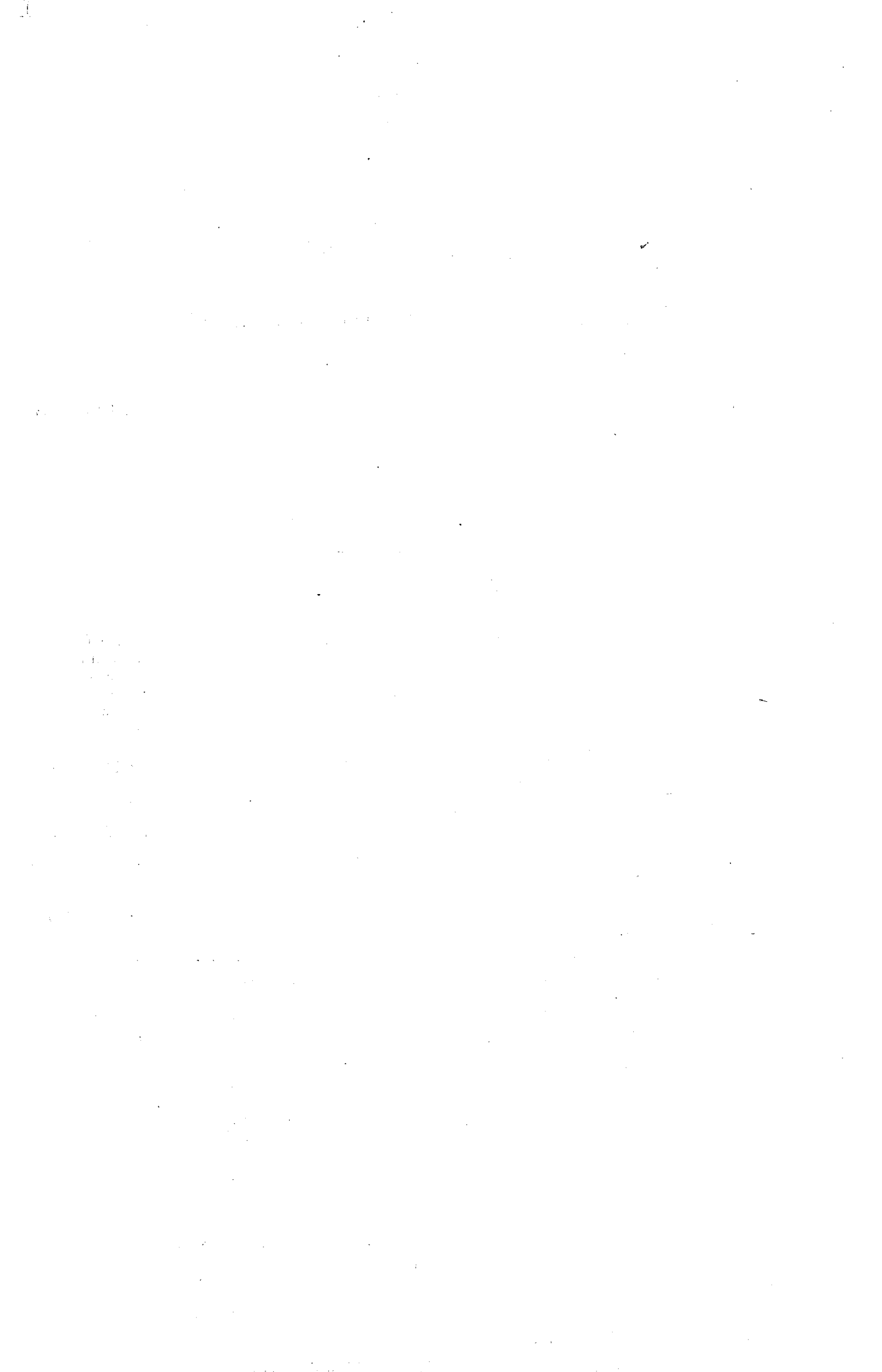
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W. L. R. Clarke,
H. I. Cohen,
W. P. Crockett,
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Dr. J. R. Harris,
H. Hitchcock,
H. Keck,
M. McGregor,
J. K. Merritt,
H. F. Richardson,
M. Saltau,
G. J. Tuckett,
A. M. Zwar.

Tellers.

The Hon. H. H. Smith,
W. Tyner.

And so it passed in the negative.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

JOINT SITTING

OF THE

HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT OF THE STATE OF VICTORIA

TO CHOOSE A PERSON

TO

HOLD THE PLACE IN THE SENATE

RENDERED VACANT BY THE

DEATH OF SENATOR EDWARD JOHN RUSSELL.

Held in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

JOINT SITTING

HELD IN THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER.

TUESDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1925.

The Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly having, pursuant to resolution, assembled in the Legislative Assembly Chamber:—

1. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.—The Honorable John Bowser, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, rose and moved—That the Honorable Francis Grenville Clarke, President of the Legislative Council, be appointed President of this Joint Sitting, which motion, being seconded by the Honorable J. Sternberg, M.L.C., was resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable F. G. Clarke, having expressed his acknowledgments for the honour which had been conferred upon him, then took the Chair.

2. RULES OF PROCEDURE.—The Attorney-General, the Honorable F. W. Eggleston, M.L.A., submitted the following rules of procedure for the consideration of honorable members, and moved that they be adopted as the rules of procedure of this Joint Sitting:—

1. On any debate arising the same shall be conducted according to parliamentary usage.

2. A Member, addressing himself to the President, shall propose a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell, and such proposition shall be duly seconded. When any person is so proposed his proposer shall state to the Members present that such person is willing to hold the vacant place if chosen.

3. If only one person be proposed and seconded the President shall declare—“That has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.”

4. If more than one person be proposed and seconded the person to hold the vacant place shall, subject to the following rules, be chosen by ballot.

5. Before giving directions to proceed with the ballot, the President shall ask if any Member desires to propose any other person to hold the vacant place, and, no other person being proposed, the ballot shall be proceeded with, after which no person shall be proposed.

6. Each Member present shall be provided with a ballot-paper certified by the Clerks of the two Houses, and shall write thereon the name of one of the persons duly proposed, and shall place his ballot-paper in the ballot-box.

7. If two or more persons be proposed and seconded the proposer of each of such persons shall name some Member present to be a scrutineer. The scrutineers, with the Clerks of the two Houses, shall retire and ascertain the number of votes for each person; and the scrutineers shall make a written report of the result to the President.

8. No informal vote shall be taken into account.

9. If on the first ballot no person shall have received an absolute majority of the votes polled a second ballot shall be taken, and the name of the person who shall have received the fewest votes at the first ballot shall be excluded; but if at the first ballot the names of only two persons be submitted, and the number of votes for such persons be equal, the scrutineers shall by drawing lots determine which of such persons shall be chosen to hold the vacant place, and the person whose name shall be first drawn shall be deemed to have been duly chosen.

10. Until one of the persons proposed obtains an absolute majority of the votes polled, or (as the case may be) is chosen by lot to hold the vacant place, successive ballots shall be taken, and at each such ballot the name of the person who shall have the fewest votes at the preceding ballot shall be excluded.

11. If on any ballot it shall be necessary to decide between two or more persons as to which one is to be excluded from a subsequent ballot through the number of votes for such persons being equal, a special ballot shall be taken at which the names of only those persons shall be submitted, and the name of the person having the fewest votes at such special ballot shall be excluded; but if on any special ballot it shall be necessary to decide between two or more persons as to which one is to be excluded from a subsequent ballot through the number of votes for such persons being equal, the scrutineers by drawing lots shall determine which one of such persons shall be excluded, and the name of the person last drawn shall be excluded.

12. If at any ballot, other than the first ballot or a special ballot hereinbefore provided for, the names of only two persons be submitted, and the number of votes for such persons be equal, the scrutineers shall, by drawing lots, determine which of those persons shall be chosen to hold the vacant place, and the person whose name shall be first drawn shall be deemed to have been duly chosen.

13. As soon as any person obtains an absolute majority of the votes polled, or (as the case may be) is chosen by lot to hold the vacant place, the President shall declare—"That _____ has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell."

14. The President shall in all cases be entitled to a vote.

15. The records of the proceedings and the ballot-papers shall be retained by the Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of Victoria, who shall be the custodian thereof, and shall keep the ballot-papers safely for one year, and thereafter destroy them.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

3. SCRUTINEERS' REPORTS.—The Attorney-General, the Honorable F. W. Eggleston, moved, That the number of votes received by each candidate be not disclosed by the Scrutineers in their reports.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. PERSONS PROPOSED TO HOLD THE VACANT PLACE IN THE SENATE.—The President announced that, the rules having been adopted, he was now prepared to receive proposals from any honorable member with regard to a person to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.

The Honorable J. Gordon, M.L.A., proposed the Honorable William Plain, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named A. A. Farthing, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable H. Angus, M.L.A.

A. E. Lind, Esquire, M.L.A., proposed David Andrew, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named the Honorable J. J. Carlisle, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable M. E. Wettenhall, M.L.A.

The Honorable F. E. Old, M.L.A., proposed John Joseph Hall, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named A. A. Dunstan, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by the Honorable R. H. S. Abbott, M.L.C.

I. J. Weaver, Esquire, M.L.A., proposed Edwin Reseigh, Esquire, as the person to hold the vacant place, and stated that such person was willing to hold the vacant place, if chosen, and named A. L. N. Walter, Esquire, M.L.A., to be a scrutineer, which proposal was seconded by A. L. N. Walter, Esquire, M.L.A.

5. BALLOTS.—The President having asked if any Member desired to propose any other person to hold the vacant place, and no other person being proposed, the President declared that the period for proposing persons had closed, and directed the ballots to be proceeded with, the names of the persons proposed, in the order in which they were proposed, being :—

PLAIN, W.
ANDREW, D.
HALL, J. J.
RESEIGH, E.

Ballot-papers duly certified by the Clerks of the two Houses were issued to honorable members before each ballot, and such ballot-papers when filled in were deposited in the ballot-box.

At the conclusion of each ballot the scrutineers, with the Clerks of the two Houses, made a scrutiny of the votes received by each person, and the written report of the scrutineers was handed to the President.

6. RESULT OF BALLOTS.—The result of each ballot, as reported by the scrutineers, and the declaration of the President thereon, were as follows :—

First Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the first ballot, 92 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. Reseigh obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. Reseigh's name excluded from the second ballot.

Second Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the second ballot, 92 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

No person obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

Mr. Andrew obtained the fewest votes.

The President thereupon declared Mr. Andrew's name excluded from the third ballot.

Third Ballot.—The Scrutineers reported that, at the third ballot, 92 votes were recorded by the honorable members present, and that the result of the ballot was as follows :—

The Honorable William Plain obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled.

The President thereupon declared that the Honorable William Plain, having obtained an absolute majority of the votes polled, had been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.

7. NOTIFICATION TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The Attorney-General, the Honorable F. W. Eggleston, M.L.A., moved—That the President be requested to inform His Excellency the Governor that the Honorable William Plain has been chosen to hold the place in the Senate rendered vacant by the death of Senator Edward John Russell.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

8. VOTE OF THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT.—The Premier, the Honorable J. Allan, M.L.A., moved a vote of thanks to the President, which motion was seconded by the Honorable G. M. Prendergast, M.L.A., and carried unanimously.

The President, having returned thanks, declared the Joint Sitting closed.

H. H. NEWTON,

Clerk of the Legislative Council and Clerk of the Parliaments.

W. R. ALEXANDER,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

VICTORIA MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEG. COUNCIL - SESS. 1925

COUNCIL
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