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VICTORIA.



MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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**MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DURING THE PERIOD FROM  
8TH APRIL TO 1ST JUNE, 1903.**

Provinces and Members.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
<b>MELBOURNE PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 13,996. No. of Members, 4.
The Honorables—				
William Cain ... ..	21 Feb. 1903	...	1908	Elected in place of Hon. R. Reid, resigned.
Sir Arthur Snowden ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
John Mark Davies ... ..	20 June 1902	...	1906	Vacated seat by accepting office of Solicitor-General; re-elected.
Cornelius Job Ham ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH YARRA PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 9,218. No. of Members, 3.
The Honorables—				
William Pitt ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Frederick Sheppard Grimwade ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Nathaniel Levi ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>SOUTH YARRA PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 13,671. No. of Members, 4.
The Honorables—				
Thomas Henry Payne ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
George Godfrey ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Miller ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edmund Edmonds Smith ... ..	...	25 June 1901	1904	Elected in place of Hon. S. Fraser, resigned.
<b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 11,036. No. of Members, 3.
The Honorables—				
Thomas Brunton ... ..	29 Aug 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sir Rupert Turner Havelock Clarke, Bart. ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Donald Melville ... ..	19 Dec. 1899	...	1904	Vacated seat by accepting office of Minister of Defence; re-elected.
<b>SOUTH-WESTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 7,233. No. of Members, 3.
The Honorables—				
Thomas Charles Harwood ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sidney Austin ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sir Henry John Wrixon, K.C.M.G., K.C. ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. Elected President, 18th June, 1901.
<b>NELSON PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 5,922. No. of Members, 3.
The Honorables—				
Hans William Henry Irvine ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Steuart Gladstone Black ... ..	30 Mar. 1901	...	1906	Elected in place of Hon. W. H. S. Osmand, deceased.
Thomas Dowling ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>WESTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 6,451. No. of Members, 3.
The Honorables—				
Agar Wynne ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Walter Synnot Manifold ... ..	...	25 June 1901	1906	Elected in place of Hon. S. W. Cooke, resigned.
Robert Blackwood Ritchie ... ..	21 Mar. 1903	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. N. Thornley, deceased.
<b>NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
				No. of Electors, 11,682. No. of Members, 4.
The Honorables—				
Henry Williams ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Major Pratt ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
James Bell ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Thomas Comrie ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.



MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—*continued.*

Provinces and Members.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
<b>NORTHERN PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
William Lawrence Baillieu ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	No. of Electors, 8,284. No. of Members, 4. Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
George Simmie ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Sternberg ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Henry Abbott ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>WELLINGTON PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
Sir Henry Cuthbert, K.C.M.G., K.C. ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	No. of Electors, 8,233. No. of Members, 4. Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Morey ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
David Ham ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
John Young McDonald ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. T. D. Wanliss, who retired by rotation.
<b>NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
Nicholas FitzGerald ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	No. of Electors, 5,380. No. of Members, 3. Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Blair Gray ... ..	...	25 June 1901	1906	Elected in place of Hon. Sir W. A. Zeal, K.C.M.G., resigned.
Dr. William Henry Embling ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
William Orr ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	No. of Electors, 9,267. No. of Members, 3. Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Arthur Otto Sachse ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Frederick Brown ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. Re-appointed Chairman of Com- mittees, 15th October, 1902.
<b>GIPPSLAND PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
William McCulloch ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	No. of Electors, 9,728. No. of Members, 4. Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Hoddinott ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Pearson ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Jolley Crooke ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>SOUTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
The Honorables—				
James Balfour ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	No. of Electors, 13,986. No. of Members, 3. Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
James Callender Campbell ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Duncan Elphinstone McBryde ... ..	13 June, 1901	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. W. Knox, resigned.
				Total No. of Electors, 134,087.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Parliaments.*

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 1st June, 1903.

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF VICTORIA.

## SECOND SESSION

OF THE

## NINETEENTH PARLIAMENT.

## I N D E X.

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**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Nine hundred and three thousand seven hundred and eleven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 20th May, 1903, p. 17. (*Assented to 22nd May. Act No. 1845.*)

**MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS PAYMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to certain moneys payable by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to the Treasurer of Victoria during the financial year One thousand nine hundred and three and four.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 21st May, 1903, p. 19.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and

adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 21st May, p. 20. (*Assented to 22nd May. Act No. 1848.*)

**RAILWAYS EMPLOYÉS STRIKE SUPPRESSION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Railways Employés Strike.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 21st May, 1903, p. 19. (*Assented to 22nd May. Act No. 1846.*)

**TREASURY BONDS BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 21st May, 1903, p. 19.

Read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 21st May, p. 19. (*Assented to 22nd May. Act No. 1847.*)

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No. 1.

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH MAY, 1903.

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

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE  
NINETEENTH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

## PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir George Sydenham Clarke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George; Fellow of the Royal Society; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

WHEREAS by *The Constitution Act* it was amongst other things enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor to fix such places within Victoria and, subject to the limitation therein contained, such times for holding the first and every other Session of the Council and Assembly, and to vary and alter the same respectively in such manner as he might think fit; and also from time to time to prorogue the said Council and Assembly, and to dissolve the said Assembly, by Proclamation or otherwise, whenever he should deem it expedient: And whereas the said Council and Assembly called "The Parliament of Victoria," stand prorogued until Tuesday, the 19th day of May, 1903, and it is expedient to fix the time for holding the next Session thereof: Now therefore I, the Governor of the State of Victoria, in the Commonwealth of Australia, do hereby revoke the aforesaid prorogation as from the date hereof, and in exercise of the power conferred by the said Act, and by *The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890*, do by this my Proclamation further prorogue the said Parliament of Victoria until Wednesday, the 13th day of May, 1903; and I do also hereby fix Wednesday, the 13th day of May, 1903 aforesaid, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Council and Assembly, called the Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Four o'clock in the afternoon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and three, and in the third year of His Majesty's reign.

GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

WM. H. IRVINE.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

(300 copies.)

2. **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 called you together, after a very brief recess, in order to obtain your advice in a matter of most pressing urgency.

My advisers purpose submitting to you immediately a measure to deal with the Strike which now unhappily exists in the Railway Service.

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.

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

4. **DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.**—The Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Austin, J. Balfour, J. Bell, S. G. Black, T. Brunton, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, T. Comrie, E. J. Croke, J. M. Davies, Dr. W. H. Embling, N. FitzGerald, G. Godfrey, W. B. Gray, F. S. Grimwade, C. J. Ham, D. Ham, H. W. H. Irvine, N. Levi, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, W. McCulloch, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, E. Morey, T. H. Payne, W. Pearson, W. Pitt, J. M. Pratt, A. O. Sachse, E. E. Smith, Sir A. Snowden, J. Sternberg, H. Williams, and A. Wynne severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY JOHN WRIXON, do declare and testify that I am legally seised of an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as land and house, corner of Barker’s-road and Wrixon-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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-five pounds.

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

“H. J. WRIXON.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH HENRY ABBOTT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and ninety-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Bendigo and Echuca, and are known as—

“Firstly, part of Crown allotment nine of section twenty-four B, city of Bendigo, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 2586, fol. 517022.

“Secondly, Crown allotment six and six A of section sixty-eight C, Olinda and Gladstone streets, city and parish of Bendigo.

“Thirdly, part of Crown allotment three, section six, town of Echuca, parish of Echuca North, county of Rodney, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1786, fol. 357001.

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

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

“JOSEPH HENRY ABBOTT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SIDNEY AUSTIN, of Geelong, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Winchelsea, and are known as ‘Karngun Paddocks.’

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

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

"SIDNEY AUSTIN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES BALFOUR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as part of Crown portion 18, parish of Prahran.

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

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

"JAMES BALFOUR."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES 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 the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dunolly, and are known as my property, being allotments 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 of section 26, and allotments 8<sup>b</sup> and 9 of section 12, town of Dunolly.

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

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

"JAMES BELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, STEUART GLADSTONE BLACK, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand and eighty-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mortlake, and are known as 'The Sisters' Estate,' comprising—

"In the parish of Kolora.

"Section V., allotments A and B; section VI., allotments A and B; section VII., allotments A, B, and C; section VIII., allotments, 6, 7, and 8.

"In the parish of Ellerslie.

"Allotments 40, 41B, 41B<sup>2</sup>, 42A, 42B, 43A, 43B, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 30B, 27B, part of 30A, part of 27A, and part of 26.

"In the parish of Framlingham East.

"Allotments 7 and 8.

"In the parish of Keilambete.

"Section V., allotments 1, 2, 3, and 4; section VI., allotments 1, 2, and 3; section VII., allotments A and B; section VIII., allotments 1 and 2; section IX., allotments A<sup>A</sup>, A<sup>B</sup>, B, C, D<sup>A</sup>, and D<sup>B</sup>; section X., allotments 1 and 2; section XX., allotment A.

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

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

"STEUART G. BLACK."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS BRUNTON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the shire of Broadmeadows, and are known as 'Roxburgh Park.'

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

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

"THOMAS BRUNTON."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM CAIN, of Anderson-street, South Yarra, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as part of Crown portions nine and ten, parish of South Melbourne, at South Yarra, at the junction of Anderson-street and Clow-street, on which is erected my dwelling-house, and also of freehold vacant land in Anderson-street, adjoining my said residence.

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

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

"WILLIAM CAIN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES CALLENDER CAMPBELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as Myrtle Grove, situate in New-street and North-road, town of Brighton, containing seven and one-half acres or thereabouts, on which is erected a two-storied brick house, containing sixteen rooms; also an allotment of land situate at Elwood-street, Brighton.

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

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

"JAS. C. CAMPBELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS COMRIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Tarnagulla, and are known as Crown allotments 11 and 11A of section thirteen, township and parish of Tarnagulla, county of Gladstone.

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

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

"THOMAS COMRIE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD JOLLEY CROOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as portion of 'The Holey Plain Estate.'

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

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

"E. J. CROOKE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN MARK DAVIES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Lilydale, and are known as Crown allotments fifty-six, fifty-seven, and fifty-eight, parish of Wandin Yallock, county of Evelyn, containing six hundred and twenty-five acres and twenty perches or thereabouts.

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

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

"JNO. M. DAVIES."



“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as ‘Elmwood, Chapel-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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred pounds.

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

“WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NICHOLAS FITZGERALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, county of Bourke, and are known as “Moirs,” Alma-road.

“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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds, and 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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds.

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

“N. FITZGERALD.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, GEORGE GODFREY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as all that piece of land being part of Crown portion 68A, parish of Prahran, at St. Kilda, county of Bourke, and situate in High-street, St. Kilda.

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

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

“GEO. GODFREY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM BLAIR GRAY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Shire of Maldon, and are known as allotment 10E, High-street, section A, parish of Maldon, and allotment part 14, High-street, section A, parish of Maldon.

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

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

“W. B. GRAY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, FREDERICK SHEPPARD GRIMWADE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as ‘Harleston,’ situate at the corner of Balaclava and Orrong roads.

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

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

“F. S. GRIMWADE.”

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, CORNELIUS JOB HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and ten pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as tenements No. 70 and 71 Albert ward, in the city of Melbourne.

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

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

"C. J. HAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DAVID HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of 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 situated in the municipal district of Ballarat East, and are known as the Exhibition Mart and dwelling-houses situated in Victoria and Main streets.

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

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

"DAVID HAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria No. 1075, I, HANS WILLIAM HENRY IRVINE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Stawell, and are known as The Great Western Vineyard, Great Western.

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

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

"HANS W. H. IRVINE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NATHANIEL LEVI, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of city of Melbourne, city of St. Kilda, municipal district of city of South Melbourne, shire of Cranbourne, and shire of Moorabbin, and are known as Printing establishment, situated in Hosier-lane, off Flinders-street east, city of Melbourne; allotment 1 of section 9 x twenty-eight perches and nine-tenths, allotment 2 of section 9 x nineteen perches and eight-tenths, allotment 3 of section 9 x nineteen perches and six-tenths, city of St. Kilda, parish of South Melbourne, county of Bourke; allotments 1 and 2, section 57 c, allotments 1, 44, and 45, section 64 F, and allotment 28, section 43 o, parish of South Melbourne, county of Bourke; allotment 10, village of Lang Lang, two roods; allotment 11, village of Lang Lang, two roods twenty-six perches, parish of Lang Lang, Yallock riding, shire of Cranbourne, county of Mornington; allotment 5, part of Crown portion 28, parish of Moorabbin, South riding, shire of Moorabbin, county of Bourke; lot 66, part of Crown allotments 7 and 14, parish of Mordialloc, East riding, shire of Moorabbin, county of Bourke.

"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 such district upon a yearly value of Sixty-five pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty-two pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ninety-three pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district or shire of Cranbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district or shire upon a yearly value of Three pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district or shire of Moorabbin are rated in the rate-book of such district or shire upon a yearly value of Fifteen pounds.

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

"NATHL. LEVI."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria No. 1075, I, WALTER SYNNOT MANIFOLD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Shire of Warrnambool, and are known as portion 23 and portion 24, parish of Mepunga, county of Heytesbury.

"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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and thirty pounds.

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

"WALTER MANIFOLD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DUNCAN ELPHINSTONE MCBRYDE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 'Kamesburgh,' containing ten acres or thereabouts, being part of Dendy's special survey at Brighton, and situate at the angle of North-road and Cochrane-street, and purchased by me for the sum of Twelve thousand two hundred pounds.

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

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

"D. E. MCBRYDE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of 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 situated in the municipal districts of Avoca, Stawell, and Ararat, and are known as 'Woodlands.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Avoca, Stawell, and Ararat are rated in the rate-books of such districts upon a yearly value of Five thousand five hundred and eighty-three pounds—

" Avoca	...	...	...	...	£550
" Stawell	...	...	...	...	4,319
" Ararat	...	...	...	...	714
					£5,583

"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. MCCULLOCH."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN YOUNG McDONALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat West, and are known as the Edinburgh Buildings.

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

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

"J. Y. McDONALD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DONALD MELVILLE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Brunswick, Pyalong, and McIvor, and are known as—

"My residence, situated in Albion-street, West Brunswick, with twenty-eight and one-half acres land; two hundred and six acres land within the shire of Pyalong; and one hundred and forty acres land within the shire of McIvor.

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and one pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Pyalong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds, and that within the municipal district of McIvor at Fifteen pounds.

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

“D. MELVILLE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MILLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Kew and Melbourne, and are known as part of ‘Findon’ Estate, being land (1) measuring four acres, situate corner of Barker’s-road and Findon-street; (2) land having frontage of forty-nine feet to Exhibition-street, Melbourne, with buildings thereon.

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

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

“EDWARD MILLER.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MOREY, of Ballarat, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-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 situated in the municipal district of the city of Ballarat, and are known as assessment 89, Lydiard-street, Eighty pounds; assessment 1493, Armstrong-street, Sixty-three pounds, and are allotments six and nineteen, section nine, city and parish of Ballarat, county of Grenville; also assessment, Lyons-street, Ballarat, Eighty-four pounds, being allotment seventeen of section fourteen, city and parish of Ballarat.

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

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

“E. MOREY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS HENRY PAYNE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of city of Prahran, and are known as ‘Leura,’ Toorak, being Crown portion 20, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

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

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

“T. H. PAYNE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as Kilmarty Park, Sale.

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

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

“WM. PEARSON.”



"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PITT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as land, Trenergy-crescent, Collingwood.

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

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

"WILLIAM PITT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH MAJOR PRATT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as all that piece of land containing thirty-six perches and three-tenths of a perch or thereabouts, being part of Crown allotment four, section fourteen, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, at East Melbourne, county of Bourke.

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

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

"J. M. PRATT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as 'Marilla,' Toorak-road, South Yarra.

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

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

"A. O. SACHSE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDMUND EDMONDS 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 the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as 'Awaba,' Eaglemont Estate.

"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 such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds.

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

"E. E. SMITH."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR SNOWDEN, of 433 Little Collins-street, Melbourne, barrister and solicitor, and of Saint Helliers-street, Abbotsford, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony, now the State, of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as the villa residence called 'St. Helliers,' situate in St. Helliers-street, Abbotsford, in the said municipal district, and grounds attached thereto, forming my residence, such lands having a frontage of two hundred and thirty-eight feet nine inches to St. Hellier's-street by a depth of about three hundred feet.

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

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

"ARTHUR SNOWDEN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH STERNBERG, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the shires of Deakin and Echuca, and are known as—firstly, Crown allotments 91, 92, 93, and 133, parish of Kyabram, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; secondly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, and 41B, parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; thirdly, Crown allotments 4 and 5, section 1A, township and parish of Rochester, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1190, fol. 237802; fourthly, part of Crown allotment 3, section 3A, township of Rochester, parish of Rochester West, county of Bendigo, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1828, fol. 365402, and which land is situated in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are firstly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-five pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are secondly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Thirty-six pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are thirdly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are fourthly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Twenty pounds.

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

"JOSEPH STERNBERG."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY WILLIAMS, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mildura, and are known as land and buildings situate on section 41, block D, Mildura, and various allotments of land in the Mildura settlement.

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

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

"H. WILLIAMS."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, AGAR WYNNE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden, and are known as 'Terinallum.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mortlake are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand one hundred and forty-seven pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hampden are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand three hundred and fifty-seven pounds ten shillings.

"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.

"AGAR WYNNE."

5. DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That a chair be provided on the floor of the Council Chamber for the Honorable Sir George Shenton, President of the Legislative Council of West Australia.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

7. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

## VICTORIA.

No. 2.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1903.

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

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables W. Orr and R. B. Ritchie severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM ORR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as ‘Del Monte,’ Mercer-road, Malvern.

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

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

“WM. ORR.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ROBERT BLACKWOOD RITCHIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three thousand three hundred and fifty-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and, further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mount Rouse, and are known as Blackwood.

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

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

“R. B. RITCHIE.”

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable D. Melville moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Sir R. T. H. Clarke, Bart., for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable F. Brown for the remainder of the session, on account of ill-health.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable D. Ham moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert for the remainder of the session, on account of ill-health.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable H. W. H. Irvine, moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable T. Dowling for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable S. Austin moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable T. C. Harwood for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable J. Sternberg moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable G. Simmie for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
9. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable W. Pearson moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable J. Hoddinott for the remainder of the session, on account of ill-health.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
10. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable J. H. Abbott moved, by leave, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable W. L. Baillieu for the remainder of the session, on account of ill-health.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising adjourn until to-morrow at eleven o'clock.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



VICTORIA.

No. 3.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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FRIDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next, at half-past four o'clock.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



## VICTORIA.

No. 4.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables Sir H. Cuthbert and T. Dowling severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY CUTHBERT, of the city of Ballarat, K.C.M.G., do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Ballarat and shire of Ballarat, and are known as—

“Part of allotment 1 of section nine, city of Ballarat.

“Allotment 2 of section fourteen, parish of Ballarat, county of Grenville.

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

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

“HENRY CUTHBERT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS DOWLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand 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 situated in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden, and are known as ‘Jellalabad,’ situated on Mount Emu Creek, Darlington, shire of Mortlake and Hampden, bounded on the south by township of Darlington, on the east by lands belonging to Messrs. Cole and Dodds, on north by station known as ‘Terrinallum,’ on the west by station known as ‘Mount Fyans.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden are rated in the rate-books of such districts upon a yearly value of Two thousand two hundred and twenty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden are rated in the rate-books of such districts upon a yearly value of Two thousand two hundred and twenty pounds.

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

“THOMAS DOWLING.”

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

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways—Eleventh General Report.  
Water Acts—

Cohuna Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Regulation for the sale of water for the year commencing 1st January, 1903, and ending 31st December, 1903. Regulation No. 28.

Minimum Rates for year 1903.

Regulation No. 27.—General rate for 1903.

Gunbower West Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Increasing Trust District.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate. Rating Regulation No. 22.

Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 19 for year 1902

Graduated Rate for year 1903.—Regulation No. 20. (Draft form )

Yatchaw Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—

Alteration of date for election for 1903.

Appointment of a Commissioner.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable W. Pitt moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past four o'clock.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## VICTORIA.

No. 5.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
  2. PAPER.—The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—  
Victorian Mining Accident Relief Fund—Balance Sheet, December, 1902.
  3. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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 Nine hundred and three thousand seven hundred and eleven pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
  4. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed and, by leave, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.  
The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling perform the duties of Chairman of Committees during this evening.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
  5. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past four o'clock.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
- And then the Council, at five minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.





## VICTORIA.

No. 6.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 21ST MAY, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Railways Employés Strike,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
3. RAILWAYS EMPLOYÉS STRIKE SUPPRESSION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed and, by leave, and after debate, was read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole. The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That the Honorable D. Melville perform the duties of Chairman of Committees during this evening.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable D. Melville having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the Issue of Treasury Bonds,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
5. TREASURY BONDS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, 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 this day.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to certain Moneys payable by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works to the Treasurer of Victoria during the financial Year One thousand nine hundred and three and four,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
7. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS PAYMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, 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 this day.
8. TREASURY BONDS 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 D. Melville having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

9. MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WORKS PAYMENT 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 D. Melville having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

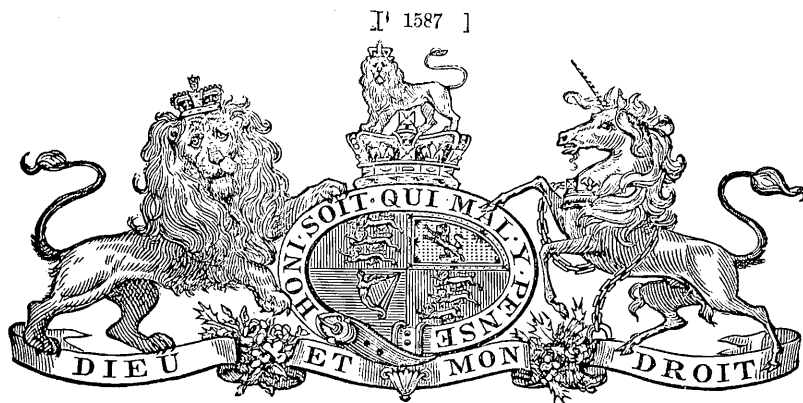
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 2nd June next, at half-past four o'clock.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

And then the Council, at ten minutes past eight o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 2nd June next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



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PROROGUING THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir George Sydenham Clarke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Fellow of the Royal Society; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

I, THE Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, do by this my Proclamation prorogue The Parliament of Victoria until Tuesday, the twenty-first day of July, 1903.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this first day of June, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and three, and in the third year of His Majesty's reign.

G. S. CLARKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

WM. H. IRVINE.

GOD SAVE THE KING!



1903.

VICTORIA.

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THE PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON RAILWAYS.

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ELEVENTH GENERAL REPORT.

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 The Honorable DONALD MELVILLE  
 The Honorable EDWARD MOREY.

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VICE-CHAIRMAN—THE HONORABLE EDWARD MOREY, M.L.C.

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#### NOTES.

The Honorable Henry Foster died on the 25th May, 1902.

The Honorable Ewen Hugh Cameron vacated the office of Chairman of the Committee on the 10th June, 1902, on taking office as Minister of Mines and Water Supply.

Mr. David Kerr and the Honorable Henry Roberts Williams were appointed members of the Committee on the 29th July, 1902, to fill the above vacancies.

Mr. A. W. Craven was appointed Chairman of the fifth Committee on the 11th June, 1902.



## MEMBERS OF THE SIXTH COMMITTEE.

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The Honorable DONALD MELVILLE  
The Honorable EDWARD MOREY.

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# ELEVENTH GENERAL REPORT.

To His Excellency SIR GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE, *Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Fellow of the Royal Society; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

In accordance with the requirements of section 18 of the *Railways Standing Committee Act* 1890, the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways has the honour to submit the following Report of its proceedings since the 22nd May, 1902, the date of the Tenth General Report:—

## I.—WORK OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE.

1. Since the Tenth General Report was presented a new Committee has been appointed; the previous body, which was the fifth Committee appointed under the *Railways Standing Committee Acts*, having terminated on the dissolution of the eighteenth Parliament. Work of fifth Committee.

The fifth Committee had been in existence from the 13th December, 1900, to the 15th September, 1902, a period of nearly two years. During that time six proposals for new railways were remitted to it by the Legislative Assembly for investigation, and, in addition, the Committee was asked by the Honorable the Premier and also by the Honorable the Minister of Water Supply to inquire into and report upon several other matters, relating to projected works connected with the accommodation of shipping at the Port of Melbourne, and with the supply of water to country districts. These works were to be paid for out of loan funds.

In dealing with the various matters remitted to it, the Committee compiled and presented 12 Reports, and held 287 meetings. Meetings held; Reports.

The questions remitted by Parliament to the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the *Railways Standing Committee Acts* are divided into two classes:—  
(1) Specific proposals for the construction of new railways which have to be submitted in the Assembly by a responsible Minister of the Crown, and referred to the Committee upon the motion of the Minister; and (2) general questions which can be referred to the Committee by a resolution of either House of Parliament. Questions remitted to Committee.  
Section 8, Act No. 1350.  
Section 11, Act No. 1350.

There is no restriction on the number of general questions which may be remitted, but the Committee is precluded from considering more than one definite proposal for the construction of a new railway at a time. The Committee can only deal with questions referred to it. Section 9, Act No. 1350.

Section 171 of the *Water Act* 1900, prohibits any water work, the estimated cost of completing which exceeds £10,000, being commenced by the Board of Land and Works, or any Waterworks or Irrigation Trust, “unless and until the expenditure in relation thereto shall have been approved by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.”

2. Six proposed new railways were remitted to the fifth Committee during the two years it was in existence. The following statement shows the names of the lines, their length, estimated cost, and how each one was dealt with by the Committee :—

PROPOSED RAILWAYS REFERRED TO THE FIFTH COMMITTEE AND REPORTED ON  
FROM DECEMBER, 1900, TO SEPTEMBER, 1902.

Name of Railway.	Length.	Estimated Cost by Engineer-in-Chief.	How dealt with by Committee.
	Miles.	£	
North-Eastern, Goulburn Valley, and Northern Main Trunk con- necting line	50½	162,941	Rejected
Whitfield to Tolmie * ...	22	82,959†	Recommended as far as Mahaikah
Woolamai, San Remo, and Cape Patterson line	23	66,314	Rejected
Whitfield to Mahaikah * ...	19	72,343†	Recommended at a cost not to exceed £68,803
Spring Vale to Spring Vale General Cemetery	1½	9,367‡	Recommended at a cost not to exceed £7,000
Tocumwal line ...	7¾	22,785	Evidence taken, but owing to the delay in holding the conference between the Engineers-in-Chief of New South Wales and Victoria as to the line crossing the River Murray, the Committee was unable to fur- nish the Legislative Assembly with a Re- port on this proposed railway prior to the dissolution of the eighteenth Parliament

\* Narrow-gauge line.

† Inclusive of rolling-stock.

‡ Exclusive of the cost of land and rolling-stock.

The recommendation regarding the construction of the Whitfield to Mahaikah line was approved by the Legislative Assembly, but the second reading of the Bill authorizing the building of the railway was carried in the Legislative Council on the casting vote of the President, and the measure was not further proceeded with in that House. In a few days the short line from Spring Vale, on the main Gippsland railway, to the Spring Vale General Cemetery will be opened for traffic. Although the Committee had practically concluded the taking of evidence on the question of railway communication to Tocumwal, on the River Murray, it was unable to furnish the Legislative Assembly with a Report on the proposal before the sudden dissolution of Parliament last September. At its final meeting, however, the fifth Committee deemed it advisable to place on record its opinion concerning this suggested railway. The resolution, which was unanimously agreed to, was as follows:—"While the Committee has not been able to conclude its deliberations on the question of constructing a railway to Tocumwal owing to the delay which has taken place in holding the conference between the Engineers-in-Chief of the Victorian and New South Wales railways, it is of opinion that the line should be constructed from Strathmerton towards the Tocumwal-bridge. But, should the Parliament and Government of New South Wales agree, prior to the building of the terminal station on the Victorian side of the Murray, to the line being carried across the river into Tocumwal, the money to be expended in building the terminal station should be used to strengthen the road bridge over the Murray at Tocumwal, so that it may carry a train with safety."

Section 17 of the *Railways Standing Committee Act 1890* (No. 1177) provides that when any evidence has been taken before the Committee and the question to which it relates has not been reported on owing to the Committee ceasing to have legal existence because of the dissolution of Parliament, such evidence "is to be considered by any subsequent Committee to whom the same work may be referred for report as if such evidence had been given before and for the guidance of such subsequent Committee." Should the question of the construction of a railway to Tocumwal be again referred to the Committee, it will, therefore, be unnecessary to have the evidence already taken repeated.

## WATER SCHEMES.

An important subject also dealt with by the fifth Committee was the question of a supply of water for the Mallee. After inquiring fully into the matter, the Committee recommended the construction of reservoirs at Lake Lonsdale, Glynwylln, and Waranga, to supply the settled portion of the Mallee with water for household and stock purposes, and also to give a better supply of water for domestic use and irrigation to the farmers on the northern plains between the Goulburn and Avoca rivers. The Reports of the Committee on this subject were adopted by Parliament, and the storage works at Lake Lonsdale have since been completed, while the construction of the Waranga Reservoir is now in progress. Bores put down at Glynwylln proved, however, that it was not a suitable site for a storage basin, because of the difficulty in getting a foundation for the weir, and a site at Eversley, which the Committee had previously reported on, has since been substituted by the Government. The cost of these reservoirs, together with the channels running from them into the Mallee, will be about £1,000,000.

A small scheme for supplying the township of Sunbury and the local lunatic asylum, as well as the local railway station, with water drawn from Barengo Creek was also inquired into and approved by the Committee.

## SHIPPING ACCOMMODATION.

The fifth Committee had remitted to it for consideration the question of additional pier accommodation at Port Melbourne, and it suggested certain improvements in the water-way at Port Phillip Heads, and also in the channel leading from the lightship at the entrance to Hobson's Bay to the Port Melbourne railway pier, so as to permit the largest ocean-going steamers visiting Melbourne to leave that port fully laden. After hearing the evidence, the Committee was unable to indorse the proposal of the Railway Department to expend £78,000 on the erection of an additional pier at Port Melbourne. It, however, recommended that the Public Works Department should prepare plans and an estimate of the cost of making the proposed "straight cut," with suitable berthing accommodation for shipping, from Port Melbourne towards the city, and it is presumed that the Department is giving effect to that recommendation.

A proposal to construct a dry dock at Williamstown, at an estimated outlay of £250,000, so that the largest steamers trading between European ports and Victoria could be docked, was referred to the Committee. After taking some evidence on the matter, the dissolution of the eighteenth Parliament brought the inquiry to a standstill.

Shortly after its appointment, the sixth Committee wrote to the Honorable the Premier drawing his attention to the position of this matter, which, it was pointed out, was regarded in shipping circles as a subject of much importance. So far, however, the Committee has not been authorized to conclude its investigation as to the need of better dock accommodation at the Port of Melbourne.

## II.—SIXTH COMMITTEE.—PROGRESS OF INQUIRIES.

The sixth Committee now in existence was appointed on the 23th October, 1902. During the period which has elapsed since its appointment, 72 meetings have been held. The Members of the Legislative Council on this body are the same as those who held seats on the fifth Committee, but a change has been made in the personnel of the representatives of the Legislative Assembly. Mr. A. W. Craven was appointed Chairman of the sixth Committee—a position which he held in connexion with the previous Committee on the retirement of the Honorable Ewen Hugh Cameron, who vacated the Chairmanship on taking the office of Minister of Mines and Water Supply. The fifth Committee recorded on the Minutes of its Proceedings its high appreciation of the able and impartial manner in which Mr. Cameron had presided over its deliberations.

One question relating to land settlement has been reported on, and three subjects dealing with railway and tramway construction are now engaging the attention of the Committee.

FUMINA LAND.—On the 13th November, 1902, the Committee was asked by the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey to inquire into the area and quality of the Crown lands available for settlement in the parishes of Noojee, Noojee East, Toorong, and Fumina, and to consider the question of connecting those lands by means of a road, tramway, or railway with one of the existing lines of railways so as to encourage settlement. It was ascertained that the area proposed to be settled comprised about 35,000 acres between the Loch, Latrobe, and Tanjil rivers and the range separating the watersheds of those streams from the catchment area of the Upper Yarra. The Committee inspected the country and took evidence, from settlers in the neighbourhood, regarding the quality of the soil and the need of better means of communication with the markets of the State.

It was disappointing to the Committee to find that there were but 5,000 acres of first class land within the area referred to, and of the remaining 30,000 acres, one-third was set down as second class, the balance being third class land. The Committee came to the conclusion that a railway to serve this district would not pay working expenses, and it therefore did not recommend the construction of a line. It, however, proposed that the area in question should be opened up by the construction of suitable roads at a total cost of £11,870 and that the land should be "loaded" to the extent of from 2s. 6d. to 30s. per acre according to the quality of the soil and the configuration of the allotment. In that way it was hoped that sufficient money would be obtained from the incoming settlers to pay for the formation of the roads. The proposal was adopted by the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands and Survey, and the roads have since been constructed. Applications for the land at the increased prices are now being received by the Lands Department.

In reporting on this matter, the Committee drew attention to the meagre improvements which had been made by some of the selectors of land adjoining the area proposed to be made available for settlement. It was suggested, as those selectors appeared to be retaining possession of their holdings more for speculative than productive purposes, that the Lands Department should make inquiries to ascertain if they were complying with the conditions of their licences or leases. The Committee trusts that that recommendation has been given effect to.

ST. KILDA TO BRIGHTON ELECTRIC TRAMWAY.—A proposal to construct an electric tramway from St. Kilda railway station to Brighton Beach *via* Elwood, at a cost of £84,247, including machinery and rolling-stock, is under the consideration of the Committee, having been referred to it by the Legislative Assembly. The Committee has almost concluded the taking of evidence on this subject, and its Report will be placed before the House as soon as possible.

It may be mentioned that in view of the advancement made in recent years in electric traction, especially in America, the Committee suggested to the Honorable the Minister of Railways that Mr. Thomas Tait, who has been appointed Chairman of the Victorian Railways Commissioners, should, before leaving America, make inquiries in the United States regarding this subject. That suggestion was adopted by the Minister, and it is confidently hoped that Mr. Tait will, in the course of a few weeks, be able to give the Committee much valuable information concerning electric traction and the equipment of power houses.

HOPETOUN TO GORYA RAILWAY.—The question of constructing a railway 21 miles in length, at an estimated cost of £48,000, from Hopetoun to Gorya, so as to give direct railway communication between the western districts of Victoria and Mildura and also the Darling River is now before the Committee. Evidence on the subject has been taken at Stawell, Ararat, and Ballarat, and the Committee will shortly complete its inquiry and present its Report to the Legislative Assembly.

GIPPSLAND AND GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS CONNECTING LINE.—Prior to the close of the last Session of Parliament the Legislative Assembly remitted to the Committee the question of connecting the main Gippsland and Great Southern railways by a line starting at a point near Traralgon. On inquiring into the matter it was ascertained that there was a project to run a line from Traralgon to Meenian *via* Gormandale, Carrajung, and Bulga. The length of that connexion would be about 64 miles, and the estimated cost was £256,000 for a narrow-gauge railway. The Committee has inspected portion of the proposed route, and will, at the first opportunity, travel over the remaining part. Surveys have, however, been made from Traralgon to other places on the Great Southern railway than Meenian, and it is probable that evidence will have to be taken concerning those rival routes before the Committee can arrive at any determination.



### III.—IMPORT DUTY ON RAILS.

When giving evidence before the Committee a few weeks ago, Mr. F. Rennick, who then held the office of Engineer-in-Chief of the Victorian Railways, stated that one of the causes of the increased cost of the railway from Woomelang to Mildura was the duty levied by the Commonwealth Government on all steel rails imported by the State Government. That duty, he said, was equal to a charge of £90 per mile.

Inquiries made by the Committee showed that the duty was paid out of the Railway Construction Account, which is comprised of loan funds, and although the State Government receives back from the Federal Treasurer three-fourths of the sum levied as duty on imported rails the loan funds are not credited with those repayments, the refund being treated as ordinary revenue. The amount of duty paid on rails imported by the Railway Department has not so far reached a large sum, but the Committee nevertheless considers that the practice of using those repayments for revenue purposes should be stopped at once, and the money so received credited to the Railway Construction Account.

### IV.—MILDURA RAILWAY.

As nearly the whole of the land abutting on the railway from Woomelang to Mildura is still in the possession of the Crown, the Committee some months ago suggested to the Engineer-in-Chief at that time (Mr. Rennick) that steps should be taken by the Railway Department to have a strip of land 4 or 5 chains wide on each side of the line reserved from occupation so that the mallee scrub might be preserved and thereby stop sand encroaching on the railway. If the strip of land alluded to has not yet been reserved, the Committee recommends that action in that direction be at once taken, and also that a similar strip of land be reserved on each side of the proposed main water channels through the Mallee.

### V.—ABSENCE OF REPORTS.

When inquiring into the proposed electric tramway from St. Kilda to Brighton, the Committee asked the Railway Department to furnish it with a copy of the report of Mr. J. Mathieson, ex-Commissioner of Railways, on the projected line from St. Kilda to Elwood, *via* the St. Kilda Esplanade. It was considered that such a report would be of much service to the Committee, and it therefore came as a surprise to learn that while Mr. Mathieson and his traffic officers had inspected the route of that proposed railway they had not made any written reports on the matter. The Committee is of opinion that in future the views of the Commissioners of Railways concerning all projected lines inspected or recommended by them should be placed in writing and kept as a record in the Department.

A. W. CRAVEN,  
Chairman.

Railways Standing Committee Room,  
State Parliament House, Melbourne, 12th May, 1903.















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2ND JUNE TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.**

Provinces and Members.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
<b>MELBOURNE PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 13,996. No. of Members, 4.				
The Honorables—				
William Cain ... ..	21 Feb. 1903	...	1908	Elected in place of Hon. R. Reid, resigned.
Sir Arthur Snowden ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
John Mark Davies ... ..	20 June 1902	...	1906	Vacated seat by accepting office of Solicitor-General; re-elected.
Cornelius Job Ham ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH YARRA PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 9,218. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
William Pitt ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Frederick Sheppard Grimwade ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Nathaniel Levi ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>SOUTH YARRA PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 13,671. No. of Members, 4.				
The Honorables—				
Thomas Henry Payne ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
George Godfrey ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Miller ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edmund Edmonds Smith ... ..	...	25 June, 1901	1904	Elected in place of Hon. S. Fraser, resigned.
succeeded by				
Thomas Luxton ... ..	12 Dec. 1903	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. F. E. Smith, resigned.
<b>SOUTHERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 11,036. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
Thomas Brunton ... ..	29 Aug 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sir Rupert Turner Havelock Clarke, Bart.	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Donald Melville ... ..	19 Dec. 1899	...	1904	Vacated seat by accepting office of Minister of Defence; re-elected.
<b>SOUTH-WESTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 7,233. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
Thomas Charles Harwood ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected
Sidney Austin ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Sir Henry John Wrixon, K.C.M.G., K.C.	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. Elected President, 18th June, 1901.
<b>NELSON PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 5,922. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
Hans William Henry Irvine ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Steuart Gladstone Black ... ..	30 Mar. 1901	...	1906	Elected in place of Hon. W. H. S. Osmand, deceased.
Thomas Dowling ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>WESTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 6,451. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
Agar Wynne ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
succeeded by				
Alexander Magnus MacLeod ... ..	12 Dec. 1903	...	1908	Elected in place of Hon. A. Wynne, resigned, but was not sworn in.
Walter Synnot Manifold ... ..	...	25 June 1901	1906	Elected in place of Hon. S. W. Cooke, resigned.
Robert Blackwood Ritchie ... ..	21 Mar. 1903	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. N. Thornley, deceased.
<b>NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 11,682. No. of Members, 4.				
The Honorables—				
Henry Williams ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
succeeded by				
Richard Bloomfield Rees ... ..	12 Dec. 1903	...	1908	Elected in place of Hon. H. Williams, resigned.
Joseph Major Pratt ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
James Bell ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Thomas Comrie ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.

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Provinces and Members.	Elected at—		Dates of Retirement.	Remarks.
	Nomination.	Polling.		
<b>NORTHERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 8,284. No. of Members, 4.				
The Honorables—				
William Lawrence Baillieu ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
George Simmie ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Sternberg ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Joseph Henry Abbott ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>WELLINGTON PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 8,233. No. of Members, 4.				
The Honorables—				
Sir Henry Cuthbert, K.C.M.G., K.C.	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Morey ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
David Ham ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
John Young McDonald ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. T. D. Wanliss, who retired by rotation.
<b>NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 5,380. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
Nicholas FitzGerald ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected. Appointed Chairman of Committees, 16th September, 1903.
William Blair Gray ... ..	...	25 June 1901	1906	Elected in place of Hon. Sir W. A. Zeal, K.C.M.G., resigned.
Dr. William Henry Embling ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>NORTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 9,267. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
William Orr ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Arthur Otto Sachse ... ..	18 Sept. 1903	...	1906	Vacated seat by accepting office of Minister of Public Instruction; re-elected.
Frederick Brown ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation; re-elected. Re-appointed Chairman of Committees, 15th October, 1902.
Willis Little ... ..	6 Aug. 1903	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. F. Brown, deceased.
<b>GIPPSLAND PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 9,728. No. of Members, 4.				
The Honorables—				
William McCulloch ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Samuel Vary ... ..	12 Dec. 1903	...	1908	Elected in place of Hon. W. McCulloch, resigned.
Joseph Hoddinott ... ..	31 Aug. 1901	...	1907	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
William Pearson ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Edward Jolley Croke ... ..	26 Aug. 1898	...	1904	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
<b>SOUTH-EASTERN PROVINCE :</b>				
No. of Electors, 13,986. No. of Members, 3.				
The Honorables—				
James Balfour ... ..	29 Aug. 1902	...	1908	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
James Callender Campbell ... ..	1 Sept. 1900	...	1906	Retired by rotation, and re-elected.
Duncan Elphinstone McBryde ... ..	13 June, 1901	...	1904	Elected in place of Hon. W. Knox, resigned.
Total No. of Electors, 134,087.				

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Legislative Council,  
Melbourne, 31st December, 1903.

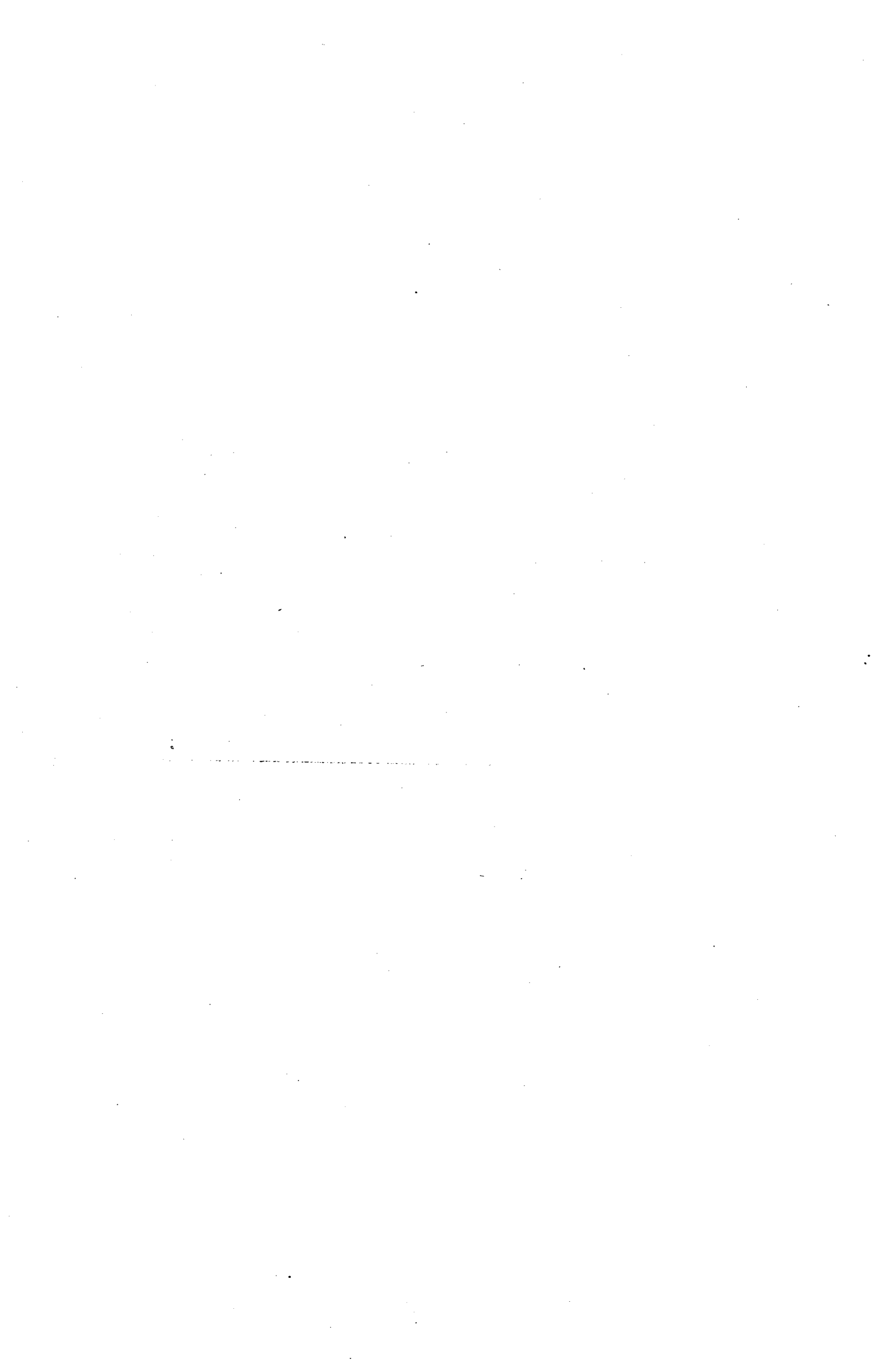
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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF VICTORIA.

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OF THE

# NINETEENTH PARLIAMENT.

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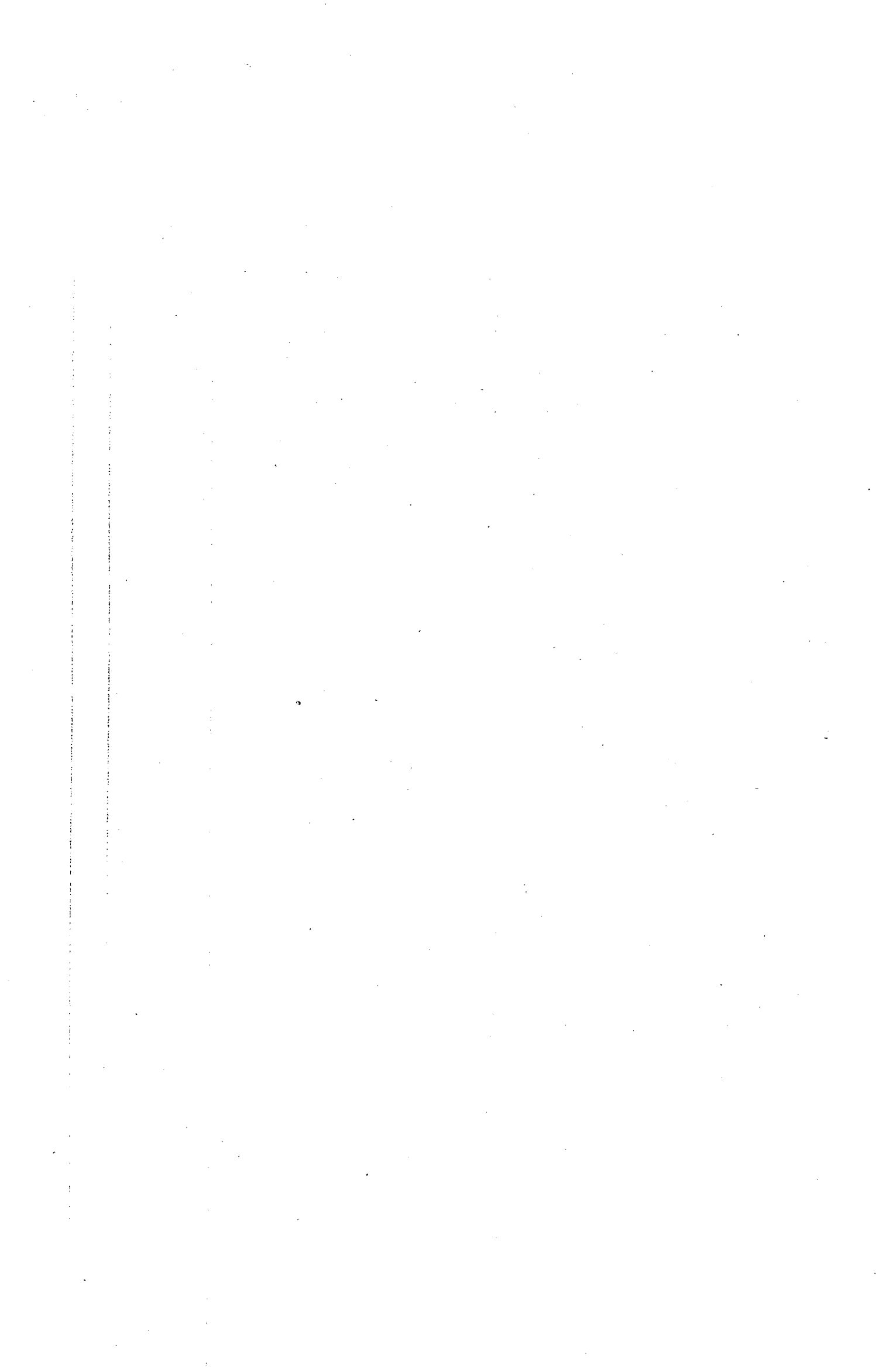
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CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Three hundred and eighty-three thousand two hundred and twelve pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 29th September, 1903, pp. 21-2. (Assented to 30th September. Act No. 1850.)

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Forty-three thousand nine hundred and ninety-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and two and One thousand nine hundred and three.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 13th October, 1903, p. 27.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 14th October, p. 29. (Assented to 26th October. Act No. 1852.)

**CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).**—Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Seven hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and forty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four.*"—(Hon. A. O. Sachse.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 27th October, 1903, p. 38. (Assented to 28th October. Act No. 1856.)

**COUNCIL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES BILL.**—Bill for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Council Electoral Provinces and for other purposes.—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 8th December, 1903, p. 64.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; motion—That the Report be now adopted; amendment proposed—but not made—to omit all the words after "be" with a view to insert in place thereof the words "taken into consideration on Tuesday next"—question for the adoption of the Report resolved in the affirmative; Bill read the third time and passed, 9th December, p. 67.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill with amendments, 18th December, p. 75.

Amendments considered and agreed to, 18th December, pp. 76-9.

Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending amendments in the Bill; His Excellency's amendments considered and agreed to, 22nd December, p. 81.

Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending further amendments in the Bill; His Excellency's amendments considered and agreed to, 22nd December, p. 81.

Message from Assembly notifying their agreement to His Excellency's amendments, 22nd December, p. 84. (Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1896.)

**COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND CASTLE DONNINGTON SHIRE BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to confer certain powers upon the Council of Agricultural Education, the Trustees appointed under the 'Agricultural Colleges Act 1890,' and the Municipality of Castle Donnington.*"—(Hon. W. Pitt.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 13th October, 1903, p. 27.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 14th October, p. 30. (Assented to 26th October. Act No. 1853.)

**CREMATION BILL.**—Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.—(Hon. F. S. Grimwade.)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 20.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 29th October, p. 45.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill, 18th December, p. 75. (Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1876.)

**DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Dairying Companies Act 1900.'*"—(Hon. Walter S. Manifold.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 21. Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 6th October, p. 25. (Assented to 13th October. Act No. 1851.)

**ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL.**—Bill to limit Legislative Council Election Expenses.—(Hon. D. Melville.)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 75. Bill lapsed.

**ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No. 2).**—Bill intituled "*An Act to Limit Parliamentary Election Expenses.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 23rd December, 1903, p. 85.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 23rd December, p. 86.

Further considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 23rd December, p. 86.

Recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 2; reconsidered in Committee and re-reported without further amendment; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 23rd December, p. 86.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council and have disagreed with one of the said amendments; amendment considered; the Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause A, but with an amendment, 23rd December, p. 87.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to insert new clause A, as amended by the Council, 24th December, p. 89. (Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1891.)

**ELECTORAL ROLLS BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the preparation of Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Council and for the Legislative Assembly.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 24th November, 1903, p. 55.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 1st December, p. 59.

Message from the Assembly transmitting Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending an amendment in the Bill, to which the Assembly had agreed; His Excellency's amendment considered and agreed to, 8th December, p. 65. (Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1872.)

**FACTORIES BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896' and the Acts amending the same.*"—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 13th October, 1903, p. 27.

Petitions presented, 14th October, p. 29; 20th October, p. 31; 22nd October, p. 35.

FACTORIES BILL—*continued.*

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time, debate adjourned. 14th October, p. 30; debate resumed; further motion for the adjournment of the debate negatived, and Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 20th October, p. 32.

Further considered in Committee, 21st October, p. 33; 22nd October, p. 35.

Reported with amendments, 22nd October, p. 35.

Motion—That the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report be discharged and the Bill recommitted in respect of clauses 3, 4, 7, and 14; amendment proposed, to omit all the words after “that” with a view to insert in place thereof the words “a committee of this House be appointed to confer with the Government to consider the amendments of the Legislative Council in the Factories Bill”; amendment proposed—and made—to recommit the Bill in respect of proposed new clauses and the schedule, 27th October, pp. 37-8.

Re-reported with further amendments. Motion—That the Report be now adopted; amendment proposed—and made—to recommit the Bill in respect of proposed new clauses and the schedule, 27th October, pp. 37-8.

Reconsidered in Committee and re-reported with further amendments; motion, by leave—That the Report be now adopted; amendment proposed—but not made—to recommit the Bill in respect of clause 7; Report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 28th October, p. 39.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, have disagreed with others, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments; amendments considered 28th October, pp. 40-41.

Amendments further considered; the Council do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do insist on others of the said amendments (one on division), and have agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on the amendments of the Council, 29th October, pp. 44-5.

Message from the Assembly desiring a Free Conference on the subject-matter of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council, and notifying that they have appointed seven Members of the Assembly to be Managers of the said Conference; Message considered; desire of the Assembly complied with; motion for the appointment of Managers; amendment proposed to elect Managers by ballot; amendment, by leave, withdrawn, and motion agreed to, and seven Members of the Council appointed Managers of the Conference to confer with a like number of Members of the Assembly, the Conference to meet in the Conference Room immediately, 29th October, p. 45.

The Managers proceeded to the Conference, 29th October, p. 46.

The Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling reported on behalf of the Managers for the Council, that they had met the Managers for the Assembly, and that they had arrived at the following agreement:—

1. Clause A, disagreement not now to be insisted on by the Assembly.
2. Clause B, disagreement to be still insisted on by the Assembly.

FACTORIES BILL—*continued.*

3. The amendment of the Council, to omit “and ten” from the third column of the Schedule, disagreement not now to be insisted on by the Assembly, but with a consequential amendment to insert a new clause, 29th October, p. 46.

Message from the Assembly notifying that, as recommended by the Free Conference, they do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to insert new clause A, do insist on disagreeing with the amendment to insert new clause B, and do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment to omit “and ten” from the third column of the Schedule, and have made a consequential amendment; recommendations of the Free Conference agreed to, 29th October, p. 46. (*Assented to 30th October. Act No. 1857.*)

FITZROY LOAN BILL.—Bill intituled “*An Act to enable the Fitzroy City Council to carry out certain works with the Surplus Moneys in hand from the No. 6 Loan.*”—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 79.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 23rd December, p. 85. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1889.*)

HEALTH ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Health Act 1890’ and for other purposes.*”—(*Hon. W. Pitt.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 24th November, 1903, p. 56.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 1st December, p. 59.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendments of the Council, 8th December, p. 64. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1866.*)

HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS BILL.—Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Leasing of certain Lands for the purpose of working Mineral Springs at Hepburn.*”—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 24th November, 1903, p. 56. Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with an amendment; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 8th December, p. 66.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendment of the Council, 15th December, p. 70. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1874.*)

INCOME TAX BILL.—Bill intituled “*An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the Year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and four and to continue and amend the Income Tax Acts.*”—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 17th November, 1903, p. 51.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 18th November, p. 54. (*Assented to 23rd November. Act No. 1863.*)

**JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE BILL.**—Bill relating to the Parliamentary Joint Library Committee.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 8th September, 1903, p. 13.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 29th September, p. 21.  
Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill, 21st October, p. 33. (*Assented to 26th October. Act No. 1855.*)

**JUSTICES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill to further amend the *Justices Act, 1890.*—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 16th September, 1903, p. 17.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 29th September, p. 21. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

**LEARMONTH LAND RESUMPTION BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the County of Ripon, Town of Learmonth, and for other purposes.*"—(*Hon. A. O. Sachse.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 1st December, 1903, p. 60.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 8th December, p. 65. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1868.*)

**LEGAL PRACTITIONERS RECIPROCITY BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Admission of Legal Practitioners from other States of the Commonwealth to practise in Victoria on terms of reciprocity and for other purposes relating to the Admission of Legal Practitioners.*"—(*Hon. J. Balfour.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 79.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 22nd December, p. 84. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1887.*)

**LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Libraries Act 1890.'*"—(*Hon. A. O. Sachse.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 21.  
Petitions presented, 22nd October, p. 35.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 6th October, p. 24.  
Further considered in Committee, 13th October, p. 28; 28th October, p. 39; 17th November, p. 51.  
Reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 17th November, p. 51.  
Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to one of the amendments of the Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, 1st December, p. 60.  
Amendments considered; the Council insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 8th December, p. 65.  
Message from the Assembly notifying that they insist on disagreeing with the amendments insisted on by the Council, 17th December, p. 74.  
Amendments considered; the Council do not now insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, 22nd December, p. 83. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1883.*)

**LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill to amend the *Licensing Act 1890.*—(*Hon. N. Levi.*)—Initiated and read a first time, 16th September, 1903, p. 17.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 29th September, p. 21. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Local Government.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 15th December, 1903, p. 70.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 16th December, p. 71.  
Order for consideration of report discharged and Bill recommitted in respect of clauses 3, 92, 203, 269, 271, 272, 273, 274, 341, 436, 442, 485, 650, and the 3rd and 13th Schedules; reconsidered in Committee and re-reported with further amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 17th December, p. 73.  
Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the amendments of the Council, 22nd December, p. 82.  
Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Bill, which errors the Assembly had agreed to correct; the Council concur in the correction of such errors, 22nd December, p. 84. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1893.*)

**LUNACY BILL.**—Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Lunacy.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th November, 1903, p. 54.  
Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 24th November, p. 56.  
Order for consideration of report discharged and Bill recommitted in respect of clauses 11, 12, 87, and 109, and proposed new headline to clauses A and B; reconsidered in Committee and re-reported with further amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 1st December, p. 59.  
Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments; amendments considered; the Council do not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, 2nd December, p. 61.  
Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to a clerical error in the Bill, which error the Assembly had agreed to correct; the Council concur in the correction of the error, 8th December, p. 65.  
Message from the Assembly transmitting Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor recommending certain amendments in the Bill, to which the Assembly had agreed; His Excellency's amendments considered and agreed to, 15th December, p. 70. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1873.*)



**MERAN RACE-COURSE SITE SALE BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Land granted as a Site for a Race-course in the Parish of Meran near Kerang.*"—(*Hon. W. Pitt.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 1st December, 1903, p. 60.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 8th December, pp. 64-5. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1867.*)

**MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to further amend the Mines Acts.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 75.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 22nd December, p. 83. Bill lapsed.

**MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT REDUCTION BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to reduce for one year the Municipal Endowment.*"—(*Hon. A. O. Sachse.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 1st December, 1903, p. 60.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 8th December, p. 65. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1870.*)

**MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.**—Bill to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1890* and for other purposes.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 20.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 6th October, p. 24.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill with an amendment, 21st October, p. 33.

Amendment considered and agreed to, 28th October, p. 40. (*Assented to 12th November, Act No. 1858.*)

**OLD-AGE PENSIONS ACT 1901 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to amend the 'Old-age Pensions Act 1901.'*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 1st December, 1903, p. 59.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 2nd December, p. 61. (*Assented to 9th December. Act No. 1865.*)

**OLD COLONISTS' ASSOCIATION (BALLARAT) BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act relating to the Old Colonists' Association of Ballarat.*"—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time; read a second time, by leave, and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 23rd December, 1903, p. 87. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1890.*)

**POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—

Bill to amend the *Police Offences Act 1890.* (*Hon. J. Balfour.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 20th October, 1903, p. 31.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 28th October, p. 39.

Further considered in Committee, 29th October, p. 45; 10th November, p. 48.

Reported with amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th November, p. 48. Bill not returned from the Assembly.

**PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act relating to the Committee of Public Accounts.*"—(*Hon. A. O. Sachse.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 17th December, 1903, p. 73.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 18th December, p. 75. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1877.*)

**PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to amend Section Fifty-four of the Public Service Act 1890.*"—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 79.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, 23rd December, p. 85. Bill lapsed.

**PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to amend Parts II. and III. of the Public Service Act 1890 as to the provisions therein relating to Life Insurance of Appointees.*"—(*Hon. J. Balfour.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 79.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 23rd December, p. 85. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1888.*)

**PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 79.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 22nd December, p. 83. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1882.*)

**RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 22nd December, 1903, p. 82.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 22nd December, p. 83. (*Assented to 24th December, Act No. 1884.*)

**RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL.**—Bill intitled "*An Act relating to Actions against the Commissioners of Railways as Carriers of Passengers.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 21. Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time, debate adjourned, 6th October, p. 25;

**RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL**—*continued.* debate resumed and further adjourned, 13th October, p. 28; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 18th November, p. 54. (*Assented to 23rd November. Act No. 1861.*)

**ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL**.—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day.*"—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 21.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time, debate adjourned, 14th October, p. 29; debate resumed, Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 10th November, p. 48. (*Assented to 12th November. Act No. 1859.*)

**SAVINGS BANKS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL**.—Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Savings Banks Acts.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 17th December, 1903, p. 73.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time; further motion for the adjournment of the debate, on division, negatived; question—That this Bill be now read a second time—resolved in the affirmative; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee, and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 18th December, p. 76. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1878.*)

**SENATE ELECTIONS (TIMES AND PLACES) BILL**.—Bill relating to the Election of Senators for Victoria to the Senate of the Commonwealth.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 27th October, 1903, p. 37.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 29th October, p. 45.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill, 17th November, p. 50. (*Assented to 23rd November. Act No. 1860.*)

**SOUTH MELBOURNE LOAN BILL**.—Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the City of South Melbourne to construct and provide certain Permanent Works and Undertakings in lieu of certain other Permanent Works and Undertakings.*"—(*Hon. G. Godfrey.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 75.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 22nd December, p. 84. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1885.*)

**SURPLUS REVENUE BILL**.—Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and three.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 1st December, 1903, p. 60.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 8th December, p. 65. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1869.*)

**TRANSFER OF LAND ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL**.—Bill to amend the *Transfer of Land Act 1890*.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 29th September, 1903, p. 20.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 6th October, p. 24.

Message from the Assembly notifying their agreement to the Bill, 16th December, p. 71. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1875.*)

**TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL**.—Bill to provide for the Restriction of Transfer of Debentures held by the Corporation of the City of Melbourne or by the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board.—(*Hon. W. Pitt.*)—Initiated, by leave, and read a first time, 17th November, 1903, p. 50.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment, 18th November, p. 54.

On the Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report being read, the President said—  
"The Clerk of the Parliaments has called my attention to this Bill, and I have considered it carefully. It seems to me clearly a private Bill. It is a Bill to provide for the restriction of the transfer of debentures held by the corporation of the city of Melbourne or by the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board. It is therefore a Bill that does not concern the general public, but only the two bodies that are named. There is nothing more certain, under parliamentary law, than that a Bill which does not concern the general public, but only concerns persons or corporate bodies, is not a public Bill. I think it is very important to preserve the distinction between public and private Bills. This seems to be clearly a Bill that is not a public Bill, and it cannot proceed further in this House." Whereupon the Order of the Day was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn, 1st December, p. 60.

**UNUSED ROADS BILL**.—Bill intituled "*An Act to derive Revenue from Unused Public Roads and Water Frontages.*"—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*) Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 8th December, 1903, p. 64.

Motion—That this Bill be now read a second time—debate adjourned, 9th December, p. 67; debate resumed; Bill read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported with amendments, 15th December, p. 70.

Order for consideration of report discharged and Bill recommitted in respect of clauses 10, 14, and 15; reconsidered in Committee and re-reported with further amendments; report, by leave, considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 16th December, p. 72.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they have agreed to some of the amendments of the Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, 18th December, p. 75.

Amendments considered; the Council insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, and agree to the amendments of the Assembly in new clause B, 22nd December, pp. 82-3.

UNUSED ROADS BILL—*continued.*

Message from the Assembly notifying that they do not insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments of the Council, do insist on disagreeing with one of the said amendments, and insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council in clause 10, line 43, on the ground that it is an amendment in a clause of the Bill which imposes a duty, rate, tax, rent, return, or impost, 23rd December, p. 85.

Amendments considered; the Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause A, but do not insist on their amendment in clause 10, for the reason that if the Legislative Council still insist on the said amendment the Bill may be lost for this session, but at the same time the Legislative Council desire to place on record that their amendment in no way comes within the operation of section 56 of the Constitution Act; and in addition thereto Standing Order 273 of the Legislative Assembly expressly provides that, with respect to any Bill sent from the Legislative Council to the Legislative Assembly the Legislative Assembly will not insist on their privileges in the following cases

“Where such fees are imposed in respect of benefit taken or service rendered under the Act and in order to the execution of the Act, and are not made payable into the Treasury or in aid of the public revenue,” 23rd December, p. 86.

Message from the Assembly notifying that they do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to insert new clause A, 23rd December, p. 86.

Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Bill, which errors the Assembly had agreed to correct; the Council concur in

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the correction of the said errors, 24th December, p. 89. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1894.*)

WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—Bill intitled “*An Act to sanction the issue and applications of certain sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes.*”—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 18th December, 1903, p. 79.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 22nd December, p. 83. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1881.*)

WOMBAT LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—Bill intitled “*An Act to revoke the Permanent Reservation of certain Land in the Parish of Wombat.*”—(*Hon. W. Pitt.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 1st December, 1903, p. 60.

Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 8th December, p. 65. (*Assented to 22nd December. Act No. 1871.*)

YARROWEE CHANNEL LOAN BILL.—Bill intitled “*An Act to provide for a further Grant and Loan by the State for the Yarrowee Channel Works at Ballarat.*”—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)—Brought from the Legislative Assembly and read a first time, 17th December, 1903, p. 74. Read a second time and committed; considered in Committee and reported without amendment; report considered and adopted; Bill read the third time and passed, 18th December, p. 79. (*Assented to 24th December. Act No. 1880.*)

## NOTES.

The Ministers and Officers' Salaries Retrenchment Bill, passed in the Session 1902-3, and reserved on the 25th November, 1902, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, was assented to on the 25th June, 1903, and the assent proclaimed on the 25th August, 1903. Act No. 1849. See pp. 12-13.

The Constitution Reform Bill, passed in the Session 1902-3, and reserved on the 7th April, 1903, for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, was assented to on the 9th October, 1903, and the assent proclaimed on the 26th November, 1903. Act No. 1864. See pp. 63-4.

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No. 1.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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TUESDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

1. The Council met pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the 12th day of August, 1903, which Proclamation was read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

FIXING THE TIME FOR HOLDING THE THIRD SESSION OF THE  
NINETEENTH PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA.

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir George Sydenham Clarke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George; Fellow of the Royal Society; 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 18th day of August, 1903: 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 Tuesday, the 8th day of September, 1903; and I do hereby fix Tuesday, the 8th day of September, 1903, aforesaid, as the time for the commencement and holding of the next Session of the said Parliament of Victoria, for the despatch of business, at the hour of Two o'clock in the afternoon, in the State Parliament Houses, situate in the Carlton Gardens, in the City of Melbourne: And the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council and the Members of the Legislative Assembly are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twelfth day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and three, and in the third year of His Majesty's reign.

GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. H. IRVINE.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

(600 copies.)

2. 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 found it necessary to call you together, after a brief recess, in order that you may consider certain matters of importance which My Advisers will submit to you.

I congratulate you upon the improved financial position of the State. By the measures which you recently passed, and by administration, not only has an impending deficiency in the Public Accounts of close upon one million sterling been averted, but a substantial surplus has been realized. The copious rains which have fallen justify the brightest hopes of a bountiful harvest which will conduce to the general prosperity of the State.

The serious difficulties which arose in connexion with the Railway Department having been brought to a termination, it is hoped that the future relations between the State and its employés will be of a more harmonious character. Effect has been given to the Act providing for the appointment of three Railways Commissioners instead of one. The Commissioners will, I trust, be able to maintain the Railways in such a condition as to provide the greatest possible convenience to the public, consistent with economical, and, so far as possible, profitable management, and to aid in the achievement of this result a measure will be introduced for the more effectual control of the Railway Service.

In order to give effect to the provisions of the Reform Bill, after that measure shall have received His Majesty's assent, My Advisers will lay before you a Bill for a Redistribution of Seats in Parliament.

That portion of the existing Factories Acts which relates to Wages Boards will lapse on the 31st of October next, and a Bill will be forthwith submitted to you dealing with this important matter. In that measure My Advisers propose to embody the principle that the fixing of wages should not have the effect of prejudicing the progress of any industry, or of curtailing the total amount of employment in it, or of throwing slow or aged workers out of work. Recognising that the determinations of certain of the Wages Boards call for review, My Advisers have decided to provide for a Court of Industrial Appeal, consisting of a Judge of the Supreme Court or County Court, with power to appoint assessors in connexion with each particular case. The duty of the Court will be to review existing determinations on appeal being made by either side, and any future determinations which may be referred to it. All Agricultural and Pastoral industries will, as heretofore, be excluded from the operation of the Factories Acts.

Irrigation Works are being proceeded with in a comprehensive manner. The construction of the great storage basin at Waranga is being carried out as rapidly as possible, and a measure will be laid before you providing for the construction of the main channels east and west of the Goulburn River to render the water conserved by that reservoir, and by the Goulburn Weir, available for the irrigation of large areas in the arid portions of the State. Provision will also be made in the Bill for determining the mode in which the lands to be benefited shall be charged with the necessary expenditure.

A measure will be laid before you for the compulsory purchase by the Government, in certain cases, and subject to the payment of proper compensation, of estates suitable for Farming homesteads. The Bill will contain adequate provisions against abuse in the exercise of this power. It is proposed that the freehold of the land so purchased shall be sold to farmers, the purchase money being paid in instalments extending over a number of years. By thus providing for the development of the agricultural industries, for which the fertile land in many parts of Victoria is so eminently suited, My Advisers hope to remedy the evil of too great a concentration of population in the metropolis, and to supply openings for the employment of the younger members of the community, and thus check the tendency on their part to seek their fortunes in other countries.

My Advisers are of opinion that the existing law relating to Mining does not hold out to *bonâ fide* investors sufficient security for the investment of large amounts of capital in opening up fresh fields of mining venture, and, notwithstanding the strict labour covenants, does not sufficiently discountenance mere speculative holding. A measure will therefore be presented to you introducing a system whereby, instead of labour covenants, mining leases will contain covenants for the expenditure of fixed sums year by year during the currency of the lease.

Systematic Prospecting for gold and other minerals, under the supervision of the Geological Survey Branch, will be vigorously prosecuted. A measure will be brought forward to give effect to an agreement, on the difficult subject of tributing, arrived at by a recent conference of mining representatives; and also to provide more effective means for improving the conditions under which miners work, both as regards the proper ventilation of mines, and in other respects.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The Estimates for the current financial year have been framed with the greatest possible regard both to economy and to the exigencies of the Public Service. They will be laid before you in due course.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

Bills for the amendment of the Education Act and the Teachers Acts and for the better management and control of the Asylums for the Insane will be submitted for your careful consideration.

I now leave you to your deliberations, which will, I trust, under the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the advancement and lasting prosperity of the State.

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

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

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

4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Austin, W. L. Baillieu, J. Balfour, J. Bell, W. Cain, J. C. Campbell, T. Comrie, Sir H. Cuthbert, J. M. Davies, T. Dowling, Dr. W. H. Embling, N. FitzGerald, G. Godfrey, W. B. Gray, C. J. Ham, D. Ham, N. Levi, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, W. McCulloch, J. Y. McDonald, D. Melville, E. Miller, E. Morey, W. Orr, T. H. Payne, W. Pitt, J. M. Pratt, R. B. Ritchie, G. Simmie, E. E. Smith, Sir A. Snowden, J. Sternberg, and H. Williams severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY JOHN WRIXON, do declare and testify that I am legally seised of an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Kew, and are known as land and house, corner of Barker's-road and Wrixon-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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-five pounds.

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

“H. J. WRIXON.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH HENRY ABBOTT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and ninety-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Bendigo and Echuca, and are known as—

“Firstly, part of Crown allotment nine of section twenty-four B, city of Bendigo, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 2586, fol. 517022.

“Secondly, Crown allotment six and six A of section sixty-eight C, Olinda and Gladstone streets, city and parish of Bendigo.

“Thirdly, part of Crown allotment three, section six, town of Echuca, parish of Echuca North, county of Rodney, particularly described in certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1786, fol. 357001.

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

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

“JOSEPH HENRY ABBOTT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, SIDNEY AUSTIN, of Geelong, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty-eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Winchelsea, and are known as ‘Karngun Paddocks.’

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

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

“SIDNEY AUSTIN.”

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria No. 1075, I, WILLIAM LAWRENCE BAILLIEU, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Melbourne and Boroondara, and are known as—

"Firstly, all that piece of land having a frontage of fifty-one feet and eight inches to Swanston-street, Melbourne, by a depth of one hundred and twelve feet along Latrobe-street, and being Crown allotments 32 and 33, section 44, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 2043, folio 408547.

"Secondly, all that piece of land containing fifteen acres or thereabouts, having a frontage to Whitehorse-road, Canterbury, and being part of the land described in certificate of title, volume 2038, folio 407259.

"Thirdly, all that piece of land containing two acres three roods and twenty-three perches, being part of Crown portion 129, parish of Boroondara, county of Bourke, and being the land more particularly described in certificate of title, volume 2625, folio 534945.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ninety pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Boroondara are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Eighty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Boroondara, and above referred to as 'thirdly,' are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and seventy pounds (£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.

"W. L. BAILLIEU"

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES BALFOUR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as part of Crown portion 18, parish of Prahran.

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

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

"JAMES BALFOUR."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES 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 the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Dunolly, and are known as my property, being allotments 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9 of section 26, and allotments 8<sup>b</sup> and 9 of section 12, town of Dunolly.

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

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

"JAMES BELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM CAIN, of Anderson-street, South Yarra, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as part of Crown portions nine and ten, parish of South Melbourne, at South Yarra, at the junction of Anderson-street and Clow-street, on which is erected my dwelling-house, and also of freehold vacant land in Anderson-street, adjoining my said residence.

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

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

"WILLIAM CAIN."



"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JAMES CALLENDER CAMPBELL, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as Myrtle Grove, situate in New-street and North-road, town of Brighton, containing seven and one-half acres or thereabouts, on which is erected a two-storied brick house, containing sixteen rooms; also an allotment of land situate at Elwood-street, Brighton.

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

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

"JAS. C. CAMPBELL."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS COMRIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Tarnagulla, and are known as Crown allotments 11 and 11A of section thirteen, township and parish of Tarnagulla, county of Gladstone.

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

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

"THOMAS COMRIE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY CUTHBERT, of the city of Ballarat, K.C.M.G., do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Ballarat and shire of Ballarat, and are known as—

"Part of allotment 1 of section nine, city of Ballarat.

"Allotment 2 of section fourteen, parish of Ballarat, county of Grenville.

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

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

"HENRY CUTHBERT."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN MARK DAVIES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Lilydale, and are known as Crown allotments fifty-six, fifty-seven, and fifty-eight, parish of Wandin Yallock, county of Evelyn, containing six hundred and twenty-five acres and twenty perches or thereabouts.

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

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

"JNO. M. DAVIES."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS DOWLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand 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 situated in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden, and are known as 'Jellalabad,' situated on Mount Emu Creek, Darlington, shire of Mortlake and Hampden, bounded on the south by township of Darlington, on the east by lands belonging to Messrs. Cole and Dodds, on north by station known as 'Terrinallum,' on the west by station known as 'Mount Fyans.'

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden are rated in the rate-books of such districts upon a yearly value of Two thousand two hundred and twenty pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden are rated in the rate-books of such districts upon a yearly value of Two thousand two hundred and twenty pounds.

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

“THOMAS DOWLING.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM HENRY EMBLING, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as ‘Elmwood, Chapel-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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred pounds.

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

“W. H. EMBLING.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NICHOLAS FITZGERALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, county of Bourke, and are known as ‘Moirs,’ Alma-road.

“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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds, and 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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and fifty pounds.

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

“N. FITZGERALD.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, GEORGE GODFREY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of St. Kilda, and are known as all that piece of land being part of Crown portion 68A, parish of Prahran, at St. Kilda, county of Bourke, and situate in High-street, St. Kilda.

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

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

“GEO. GODFREY.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM BLAIR GRAY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Shire of Maldon, and are known as allotment 10E, High-street, section A, parish of Maldon, and allotment part 14, High-street, section A, parish of Maldon.

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

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

“W. B. GRAY.”

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, CORNELIUS JOB HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and ten pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as tenements No. 70 and 71 Albert ward, in the city of Melbourne.

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

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

"C. J. HAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DAVID HAM, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of 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 situated in the municipal district of Ballarat East, and are known as the Exhibition Mart and dwelling-houses situated in Victoria and Main streets.

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

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

"DAVID HAM."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, NATHANIEL LEVI, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and eight pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of city of Melbourne, city of St. Kilda, municipal district of city of South Melbourne, shire of Cranbourne, and shire of Moorabbin, and are known as Printing establishment, situated in Hosier-lane, off Flinders-street east, city of Melbourne; allotment 1 of section 9 x twenty-eight perches and nine-tenths, allotment 2 of section 9 x nineteen perches and eight-tenths, allotment 3 of section 9 x nineteen perches and six-tenths, city of St. Kilda, parish of South Melbourne, county of Bourke; allotments 1 and 2, section 57 c, allotments 1, 44, and 45, section 64 f, and allotment 28, section 43 o, parish of South Melbourne, county of Bourke; allotment 10, village of Lang Lang, two roods; allotment 11, village of Lang Lang, two roods twenty-six perches, parish of Lang Lang, Yallock riding, shire of Cranbourne, county of Mornington; allotment 5, part of Crown portion 28, parish of Moorabbin, South riding, shire of Moorabbin, county of Bourke; lot 66, part of Crown allotments 7 and 14, parish of Mordialloc, East riding, shire of Moorabbin, county of Bourke.

"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 such district upon a yearly value of Sixty-five pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of St. Kilda are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty-two pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of city of South Melbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Ninety-three pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district or shire of Cranbourne are rated in the rate-book of such district or shire upon a yearly value of Three pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district or shire of Moorabbin are rated in the rate-book of such district or shire upon a yearly value of Fifteen pounds.

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

"NATHL. LEVI."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria No. 1075, I, WALTER SYNNOT MANIFOLD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Shire of Warrnambool, and are known as portion 23 and portion 24, parish of Mepunga, county of Heytesbury.

"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 such district upon a yearly value of Two hundred and thirty pounds.

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

"WALTER S. MANIFOLD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DUNCAN ELPHINSTONE MCBRYDE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and eighty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Brighton, and are known as 'Kamesburgh,' containing ten acres or thereabouts, being part of Dendy's special survey at Brighton, and situate at the angle of North-road and Cochrane-street, and purchased by me for the sum of Twelve thousand two hundred pounds.

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

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

"D. E. MCBRYDE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM MCCULLOCH, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Avoca, Stawell, and Ararat, and are known as 'Woodlands.'

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal districts of Avoca, Stawell, and Ararat are rated in the rate-books of such districts upon a yearly value of Five thousand five hundred and eighty-three pounds—

" Avoca	...	...	...	...	£550
" Stawell	...	...	...	...	4,319
" Ararat	...	...	...	...	714
					£5,583

"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. MCCULLOCH."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOHN YOUNG McDONALD, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Ballarat West, and are known as the Edinburgh Buildings.

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

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

"JOHN YOUNG McDONALD."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, DONALD MELVILLE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and forty-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Brunswick, Pyalong, and McIvor, and are known as—

"My residence, situated in Albion-street, West Brunswick, with twenty-eight and one-half acres land; two hundred and six acres land within the shire of Pyalong; and one hundred and forty acres land within the shire of McIvor.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Brunswick are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and one pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Pyalong are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds, and that within the municipal district of McIvor at Fifteen pounds.

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

"D. MELVILLE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MILLER, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Kew and Melbourne, and are known as part of 'Findon' Estate, being land (1) measuring four acres, situate corner of Barker's-road and Findon-street; (2) land having frontage of forty-nine feet to Exhibition-street, Melbourne, with buildings thereon.

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

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

"EDWARD MILLER."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD MOREY, of Ballarat, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-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 situated in the municipal district of the city of Ballarat, and are known as assessment 89, Lydiard-street, Eighty pounds; assessment 1493, Armstrong-street, Sixty-three pounds, and are allotments six and nineteen, section nine, city and parish of Ballarat, county of Grenville; also assessment, Lyons-street, Ballarat, Eighty-four pounds, being allotment seventeen of section fourteen, city and parish of Ballarat.

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

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

"E. MOREY."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM ORR, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and twenty-five pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Malvern, and are known as 'Del Monte,' Mercer-road, Malvern.

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

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

"WM. ORR."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS HENRY PAYNE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Nine hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of city of Prahran, and are known as 'Leura,' Toorak, being Crown portion 20, parish of Prahran, county of Bourke.

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

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

"THOS. H. PAYNE."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PITT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as land, Trencry-crescent, Collingwood.

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

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

“WILLIAM PITT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, JOSEPH MAJOR PRATT, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Melbourne, and are known as all that piece of land containing thirty-six perches and three-tenths of a perch or thereabouts, being part of Crown allotment four, section fourteen, city of Melbourne, parish of North Melbourne, at East Melbourne, county of Bourke.

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

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

“J. M. PRATT.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ROBERT BLACKWOOD RITCHIE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three thousand three hundred and fifty-two pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and, further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mount Rouse, and are known as Blackwood.

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

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

“R. B. RITCHIE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, GEORGE SIMMIE, of Cornelia Creek, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Echuca Shire, and are known as ‘Cornelia Creek.’

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

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

“G. SIMMIE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDMUND EDMONDS 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 the State of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Heidelberg, and are known as ‘Awaba,’ Eaglemont Estate.

“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 such district upon a yearly value of One hundred and fifty pounds.

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

“E. E. SMITH.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR SNOWDEN, of 133 Little Collins-street, Melbourne, barrister and solicitor, and of Saint Helliers-street, Abbotsford, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony, now the State, of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and six pounds above all

charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax, or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Collingwood, and are known as the villa residence called 'St. Helliers,' situate in St. Helliers-street, Abbotsford, in the said municipal district, and grounds attached thereto, forming my residence, such lands having a frontage of two hundred and thirty-eight feet nine inches to St. Hellier's-street by a depth of about three hundred feet.

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

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

"ARTHUR SNOWDEN."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, 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 the State of Victoria of the yearly value of over One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of the shires of Deakin and Echuca, and are known as—firstly, Crown allotments 91, 92, 93, and 133, parish of Kyabram, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; secondly, Crown allotments 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, and 41B, parish of Carag Carag, county of Rodney, in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin; thirdly, Crown allotments 4 and 5, section 1A, township and parish of Rochester, county of Bendigo, in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1190, fol. 237802; fourthly, part of Crown allotment 3, section 3A, township of Rochester, parish of Rochester West, county of Bendigo, particularly described in the certificate of title entered in the Register Book, vol. 1828, fol. 365402, and which land is situated in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca.

"And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are firstly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Fifty-five pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Deakin, and are secondly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Thirty-six pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are thirdly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Thirty pounds; and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of the shire of Echuca, and are fourthly above described, are rated in the rate-book of such district upon the yearly value of Twenty pounds.

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

"JOSEPH STERNBERG."

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY 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 the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mildura, and are known as land and buildings situate on section 41, block D, Mildura, and various allotments of land in the Mildura settlement.

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

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

"H. WILLIAMS."

5. **ISSUE OF AND RETURN TO WRIT.**—The President announced that during the recess he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Eastern Province, in the place of the Honorable F. Brown, deceased; that there had been returned to him such Writ, and by the indorsement thereon it appeared that Willis Little had been elected in pursuance thereof.

6. **SWEARING-IN OF MEMBER.**—The Honorable W. Little being introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by law and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

"In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIS LITTLE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Benalla, and are known as allotments 1 to 4, section H, Benalla, 193 acres, £57; allotments 1 and 2, section 1, Benalla, 327 acres, £81; allotment 3, section 1, Benalla, 65 acres, £16; allotments 4, 5, 7, 9A, 9B, 10B, part 6, Moorngag, 593 acres, £45; allotments 1A, 1B, 46B, 47A, Kilfeera, 766 acres, £153; allotments 33, 46A, Kilfeera, 299 acres, £61.



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

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

“ WILLIS LITTLE.”

7. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the President :—

G. S. CLARKE,

Governor of Victoria.

Message No. 1.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has caused the Bill intituled “ *An Act to provide for the Reduction until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and three of the Salaries or Pay of Responsible Ministers of the Crown and certain Officers under the Constitution Act or Part IX. of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 or whose Salaries or Pay are provided for by Special Appropriations*”, which was reserved for the signification of His Majesty’s pleasure thereon, and which received His Majesty’s assent on the 25th day of June last, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, a copy of which Proclamation is hereto annexed.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 7th September, 1903

THE ROYAL ASSENT TO AN ACT SHORTLY ENTITLED “ THE MINISTERS AND SPECIAL AND OTHER APPROPRIATIONS RETRENCHMENT ACT 1902.”

PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir George Sydenham Clarke, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George ; Fellow of the Royal Society ; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

I, THE Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, in pursuance of provisions contained in *An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen’s Land* (5 and 6 Vict.), also in *An Act for the better Government of Her Majesty’s Australian Colonies* (13 and 14 Vict.), and in *The Constitution Statute* (19 Vict.) do by this my Proclamation signify that the Bill, the title whereof is herein set forth, that is to say :—

“ *An Act to provide for the Reduction until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and three of the Salaries or Pay of Responsible Ministers of the Crown and certain Officers under the Constitution Act or Part IX. of ‘The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890’ or whose Salaries or Pay are provided for by Special Appropriations.*”

which was reserved for the signification of His Majesty’s pleasure thereon, has been laid before His Majesty in Council, and that by an Order in Council made at the Court at Buckingham Palace, and bearing date the twenty-fifth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and three, a copy whereof is hereto appended, His Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria, at Melbourne, this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and three, and in the third year of His Majesty’s reign.

G. S. CLARKE

By His Excellency’s Command,

WM. SHIELS

For the Attorney-General.

GOD SAVE THE KING !

*At the Court at B c i g h a m Palace, the twenty-fifth day of June, 1903.*

PRESENT :

The King’s Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President  
Marquess of Londonderry

Earl of Kintore.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the 5th and 6th years of Her late Majesty’s reign, entitled “ *An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen’s Land*,” it is amongst other things enacted that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty’s pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New South Wales until the Governor of the said Colony shall signify, either by speech or message to the Legislative Council of the said Colony, or by Proclamation as therein aforesaid, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same :



And whereas by another Act passed in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her late Majesty's reign, entitled "*An Act for the better Government of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies*," it was provided among other things that the provisions of the said former Act concerning the reservation of Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, should apply to and be in force in the Colony of Victoria :

And whereas the said provisions were maintained in force as regards Bills passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said Colony by a subsequent Act passed in the eighteenth and nineteenth years of the reign of Her said Majesty, entitled "*An Act to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill as amended of the Legislature of Victoria to establish a Constitution in and for the colony of Victoria*" :

And whereas the Colony of Victoria is now one of the States constituting the Commonwealth of Australia, under the provisions of the Act 63 and 64 Vict., chap. 12, entitled "*An Act to constitute the Commonwealth of Australia*" :

And whereas on or about the 25th day of November, 1902, the Governor of the said State of Victoria reserved a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said Colony, entitled "*An Act to provide for the Reduction until the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and three of the Salaries or Pay of Responsible Ministers of the Crown and certain Officers under the Constitution Act or Part IX. of 'The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890' or whose Salaries or Pay are provided for by Special Appropriations*," for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon :

And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before His Majesty in Council, and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by His Majesty :

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the said Acts, and in exercise of the powers thereby reserved to His Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present Order, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, declare his assent to the said Bill.

A. W. FITZROY.

8. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill relating to the Parliamentary Joint Library Committee was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

9. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

By Command of His Excellency the Governor—

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part I.—Blue Book.

Annual Report of the Secretary for Mines and Water Supply, including Statistics, Reports on the Inspection of Mines, Water Supply, Geological Survey, Boring Operations, &c., &c., for the year 1902.

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 :—

Banks Assets and Liabilities—General Abstracts and Statements furnished by the Banks for the quarters ended the 31st March and the 30th June, 1903.

Census of Victoria, 1901—

Part VI.—Education of the People.—Population enumerated on the 31st March, 1901.

Part VII.—Sickness and Infirmary.—Population enumerated on the 31st March, 1901.

Part VIII.—Land and Live Stock.—Enumerated on the 31st March, 1901.

Explosives Act 1890.—Orders in Council.

Libraries Act 1890.—Regulations.

Marine Act 1890.—Amended Regulation relating to Pilots and Pilotage.

Marine Board of Victoria.—Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on Pilotage Account from the 1st January, 1902, to the 31st December, 1902.

Public Service Acts.—Regulations.

Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1902.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Railways.—Twelfth General Report.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioner for the Quarter ending 31st March, 1903.

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

The Honorable R. B. Ritchie moved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable R. B. Ritchie moved, That the Committee consist of the Honorables R. B. Ritchie, J. H. Abbott, J. C. Campbell, W. Little, Walter S. Manifold, D. E. McBryde, and J. Y. McDonald.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Committee retired to prepare the Address.

The Honorable R. B. Ritchie presented the Address which had been agreed to by the Committee, and the same was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

*To His Excellency Sir GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Fellow of the Royal Society, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.*

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.

The Honorable R. B. Ritchie moved, That the Council agree with the Committee in the said Address.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable D. Melville 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.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, 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 nineteen minutes past six o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 1.

TUESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. W. B. GRAY : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
- (1) When was the Constitution Reform Bill, which was reserved on the 7th April last for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, transmitted to England for the purpose of obtaining the Royal assent.
  - (2) Has any communication regarding it since been received ; and, if so,
  - (3) Will the Honorable the Attorney-General state the nature of such communication.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for 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.
2. The Hon. W. PITT : To move, That the Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Austin, J. Balfour, J. M. Davies, N. FitzGerald, G. Godfrey, D. E. McBryde, Sir A. Snowden, and A. Wynne be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House ; three to be the quorum.
3. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables the President, Walter S. Manifold, W. Orr, T. H. Payne, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
4. The Hon. W. PITT : To move, That the Honorables the President, J. Bell, Sir H. Cuthbert, C. J. Ham, and D. Melville be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
5. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables J. C. Campbell, W. B. Gray, J. M. Pratt, G. Simmie, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
6. The Hon. W. PITT : To move, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, T. Brunton, T. Comrie, T. Dowling, D. Ham, N. Levi, J. Y. McDonald, R. B. Ritchie, and E. E. Smith be Members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum.
7. The Hon. S. AUSTIN : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable T. C. Harwood for the remainder of the Session, on account of urgent private business.
8. The Hon. T. DOWLING : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable S. G. Black for the remainder of the Session, on account of urgent private business.
9. The Hon. N. LEVI : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act* 1890.
10. The Hon. T. DOWLING : To move : That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable H. W. H. Irvine for the remainder of the Session, on account of urgent private business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. Melville).
2. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

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Joint Library Committee Bill—[3].

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## VICTORIA,

No. 2.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1903.

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

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables E. J. Crooke, F. S. Grimwade, and W. Pearson severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, EDWARD JOLLEY CROOKE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and sixty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as portion of ‘The Holy Plain Estate.’

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

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

“E. J. CROOKE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, FREDERICK SHEPPARD GRIMWADE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Caulfield, and are known as ‘Harleston,’ situate at the corner of Balaclava and Orrong roads.

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

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

“F. S. GRIMWADE.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, WILLIAM PEARSON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Five hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Rosedale, and are known as Kilmany Park, Sale.

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

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

“WM. PEARSON.”

3. THE LATE CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The Honorable J. M. Davies, moved, That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss which it has sustained through the death of its late Chairman of Committees, the Honorable F. Brown.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

4. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House do now adjourn until half-past four o'clock to-morrow, out of respect to the memory of the late Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the Honorable Duncan Gillies.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. W. B. GRAY : To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General—
  - (1) When was the Constitution Reform Bill, which was reserved on the 7th April last for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, transmitted to England for the purpose of obtaining the Royal assent.
  - (2) Has any communication regarding it since been received ; and, if so,
  - (3) Will the Honorable the Attorney-General state the nature of such communication.

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for 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.
2. The Hon. W. PITT : To move, That the Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Austin, J. Balfour, J. M. Davies, N. FitzGerald, G. Godfrey, D. E. McBryde, Sir A. Snowden, and A. Wynne be members of the Select Committee on the Standing Orders of the House ; three to be the quorum.
3. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables the President, Walter S. Manifold, W. Orr, T. H. Payne, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.
4. The Hon. W. PITT : To move, That the Honorables the President, J. Bell, Sir H. Cuthbert, C. J. Ham, and D. Melville be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.
5. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That the Honorables J. C. Campbell, W. B. Gray, J. M. Pratt, G. Simmie, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.
6. The Hon. W. PITT : To move, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, T. Brunton, T. Comrie, T. Dowling, D. Ham, N. Levi, J. Y. McDonald, R. B. Ritchie, and E. E. Smith be Members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum.
7. The Hon. S. AUSTIN : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable T. C. Harwood for the remainder of the Session, on account of urgent private business.
8. The Hon. T. DOWLING : To move, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable S. G. Black for the remainder of the Session, on account of urgent private business.
9. The Hon. N. LEVI : To move, That he have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act* 1890.
10. The Hon. T. DOWLING : To move : That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable H. W. H. Irvine for the remainder of the Session, on account of urgent private business.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR—CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF COMMITTEE—*Resumption of debate*—(Hon. D. Melville).
2. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. No. 1.

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

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.

Members of the Legislative Assembly. (To Members and Departments.)

Women's Suffrage Bill—[43].

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## VICTORIA.

No. 3.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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WEDNESDAY, 16TH SEPTEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. ISSUE OF WRIT.—The President announced that he had issued a writ for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Eastern Province, in the place of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, who had accepted an office of profit under the Crown.
3. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Honorable Nicholas FitzGerald be Chairman of Committees of the Council.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Whereupon the Honorable Nicholas FitzGerald was congratulated by the Honorable the President on his securing the confidence of honorable Members, and then the Honorable Nicholas FitzGerald returned his thanks for his election to the office of Chairman of Committees.
4. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part III.—Accumulation.  
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 :—  
Dentists Act 1898.—Regulation.  
Public Service Acts.—Regulation.  
Report of the Chief Inspector of Explosives on the working of the Explosives Acts during the year 1902.
5. JUSTICES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to further amend the *Justices Act* 1890 was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 29th September instant.
6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert, for the Honorable S. Austin, moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable T. C. Harwood for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
7. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable T. Dowling moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable S. G. Black for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
8. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable N. Levi, a Bill to amend the *Licensing Act* 1890 was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 29th September instant.
9. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable T. Dowling moved, That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable H. W. H. Irvine for the remainder of the session, on account of urgent private business.  
Question—put and 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 with the Committee in the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies 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.
11. DAYS OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in each week be the days on which the Council shall meet for 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.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable W. Pitt moved, That the Honorables the President, J. H. Abbott, S. Austin, J. Balfour, J. M. Davies, N. FitzGerald, G. Godfrey, D. E. McBryde, Sir A. Snowden, and A. Wynne 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.
13. PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables the President, Walter S. Manifold, W. Orr, T. H. Payne, and W. Pitt be Members of the Joint Committee to manage and superintend the Parliament Buildings.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
14. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.—The Honorable W. Pitt moved, That the Honorables the President, J. Bell, Sir H. Cuthbert, C. J. Ham, and D. Melville be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Library.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
15. REFRESHMENT ROOMS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Honorables J. C. Campbell, W. B. Gray, J. M. Pratt, G. Simmie, and J. Sternberg be Members of the Joint Committee to manage the Refreshment Rooms.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
16. PRINTING COMMITTEE.—The Honorable W. Pitt moved, That the Honorables the President, W. L. Baillieu, T. Brunton, T. Comrie, T. Dowling, D. Ham, N. Levi, J. Y. McDonald, R. B. Ritchie, and E. E. Smith be Members of the Printing Committee ; three to be the quorum.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
17. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 29th September instant :—  
*Joint Library Committee Bill—Second reading.*
18. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 29th September instant.

And then the Council, at fifteen minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 29th September instant.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 3.

TUESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. G. GODFREY: To call the attention of the House to the case of William Asmus, late employé of the Railway Department, who, some five months ago, was allowed to retire from the Department on his compensation allowance, on the ground of being unfit for further duty; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General whether the Government will take the necessary steps to carry out the contract made with him on his retirement.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. JUSTICES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
2. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. N. Levi*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 3.  
Licensing Amendment Bill—[47].

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5.  
Benalla Fire Brigade Station Bill—[44].



## VICTORIA.

No. 4.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1903.

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

2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable Sir Rupert T. H. Clarke, Bart., delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, Sir RUPERT TURNER HAVELOCK CLARKE, Bart., do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the Colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand one hundred and eighty-three pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Merriang, and are known as—

“Nine thousand seven hundred and five acres in the parish of Darraweit Guim, No. 4 in the rate-book.

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

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

“RUPERT T. H. CLARKE.”

3. SUBSTITUTED DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable the President delivered to the Clerk the following Declaration, viz. :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, HENRY JOHN WRIXON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty-nine pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Kew and Shire of Braybrook, and are known as (1) the lands bounded by Barker's-road and Wrixon-street; and (2) “Rockbank.”

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

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

“H. J. WRIXON.”

4. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that there had been returned to him the Writ issued for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Eastern Province in the place of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, who had accepted an office of profit under the Crown; and by the indorsement on such Writ it appeared that the Honorable Arthur Otto Sachse had been elected in pursuance thereof.

5. SWEARING-IN OF MEMBER.—The Honorable A. O. Sachse, being introduced, took and subscribed the oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, ARTHUR OTTO SACHSE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as ‘Marilla,’ Toorak-road, South Yarra.

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

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

“A. O. SACHSE.”

6. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported that he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and had presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council agreed to on the 16th instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONOURABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

I thank you in the name of the King for the renewed expression of loyalty to His Majesty's Throne and Person.

I trust that the result of your legislative labours will be conducive to the advancement and prosperity of the State.

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor of Victoria.

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 29th September, 1903.

7. TRANSFER OF LAND ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to amend the *Transfer of Land Act* 1890 was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

8. CREMATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable F. S. Grimwade, a Bill to regulate Cremation and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

9. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the *Local Government Act* 1890 and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

10. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Penal Establishments and Gaols.—Report of the Inspector-General for the year 1902.

Thirty-seventh Report of the Board of Visitors to the Observatory, together with the Report of the Government Astronomer for the period from 1st April, 1902, to 31st March, 1903.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Agricultural Education.—Accounts of the Trustees of Agricultural Colleges and the Council of Agricultural Education from 1st July, 1902, to 31st December, 1902.

Alterations in the Regulations under the Land Act 1901—

Amendment and Additions to the Regulations made on 8th January, 1902, and 24th June, 1902.

Amendment of Regulations made on 13th May, 1902.

Amendment of Regulations made on 6th August, 1903.

Department for Neglected Children and Reformatory Schools.—Report of the Secretary and Inspector for the year 1902.

Education Act 1890.—Regulation rescinded.—New Regulation made.

Regulation No. V. of the Regulations under the Education Act 1890 and the Teachers' Act 1893 rescinded.—New Regulation made.

Marine Act 1890.—Regulations for the Examination of Masters and Mates for Certificates of Competency.

Old Age Pensions Act No. 1751.—Statement in accordance with Section 35.—Financial year, 1902-3.

Water Acts—

Benjeroop and Murrabit Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

Carrum Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

East Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

Gunbower West Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—

Regulation for the Sale of Water.

General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation for the Sale of Water supplied to the Trust Works by means of Pumping from the River Murray.  
 Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
 Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 12.  
 Graduated Rate (draft form).—Regulation No. 12.  
 Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Making Loan Available.  
 The Shire of Wimmera and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—  
 Application of Municipal Funds.  
 The Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 30.  
 Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Year 1903.—  
 Regulation No. 20.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Libraries Act 1890,'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
12. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
13. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the 'Dairying Companies Act 1900,'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
14. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Walter S. Manifold, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
15. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Actions against the Commissioners of Railways as Carriers of Passengers,'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
16. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
17. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day,'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
18. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
19. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the 'Benalla Fire Brigade Station Land Act 1903,'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
20. BENALLA FIRE BRIGADE STATION LAND ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
21. JUSTICES ACT 1890 FURTHER 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 N. FitzGerald, 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 sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
22. JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
23. LICENSING ACT 1890 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
24. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Three hundred and eighty-three thousand two hundred and twelve pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four,'*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

25. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 1).—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was, after debate, adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

26. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 4.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. D. MELVILLE: To call the attention of the Government to the recommendations of the Railways Standing Committee in regard to the Mildura Railway; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what steps the Government intend taking to make the mallee lands for 15 miles on either side of the Mildura line immediately available for settlement and cultivation, and to give that area adjacent to the railway a supply of water for domestic and stock purposes.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRANSFER OF LAND ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
2. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
3. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.

*General Business.*

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. G. GODFREY: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. All estates purchased by the Government for settlement purposes.
  2. The amount paid for each such estate.
  3. The amount received on account of purchase money of each such estate; and
  4. The amount of the sales made by the Government.
2. The Hon. E. E. SMITH: To move, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the operations of the Land Act so far as it relates to the disposal of the Public Lands and the methods adopted by the Department in reference thereto.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
2. DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Walter S. Manifold*)—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.
5. BENALLA FIRE BRIGADE STATION LAND ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. W. Little*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 6th October.*

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT)—At Three o'clock.

## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 24<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 4.  
 Libraries Bill—[16]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill—[24].  
 Transfer of Land Bill—[28].  
 Dairying Companies Bill—[36]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Royal Agricultural Show Day Bill—[42]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Benalla Fire Brigade Station Bill—[44]. (To Members of Council only.)  
 Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—[48]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 7, 8, and 9.  
 Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.  
 Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 1.  
 Lunacy Bill—[15].  
 Lake Hindmarsh Land Bill—[31].  
 Factories Bill. (New Clauses to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

## VICTORIA.

No. 5.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1903.

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

2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable A. Wynne delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, AGAR WYNNE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal districts of Mortlake and Hampden, and are known as ‘Terinallum.’

“And I further declare that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Mortlake are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand one hundred and forty-seven pounds, and that such of the said lands or tenements as are situate in the municipal district of Hampden are rated in the rate-book of such district upon a yearly value of Three thousand three hundred and fifty-seven pounds ten shillings.

“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.

“AGAR WYNNE.”

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor.

Message No. 2.

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

“An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Three hundred and eighty-three thousand two hundred and twelve pounds to the service of the Year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four.”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 30th September, 1903.

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

## VICTORIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of *The Constitution Act Amendment Act* 1890, I do hereby appoint—

The Honorable James Callender Campbell,  
The Honorable Edward Jolley Crooke,  
The Honorable Sir Henry Cuthbert,  
The Honorable Cornelius Job Ham,  
The Honorable Duncan Elphinstone McBryde,  
The Honorable Edward Miller, and  
The Honorable William Orr,

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

Given under my hand this sixth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and three.

H. J. WRIXON,  
President of the Legislative Council.

5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—

Public Service Commissioner.—Report.

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 :—

Constitution Statute.—Statement of Expenditure under Schedule D to Act 18 & 19 Vict., cap. 55, during the year 1902–3.

Hospitals for the Insane.—Report of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums for the year ended 31st December, 1902.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the year ended 31st December, 1902.

Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the year ending 30th June, 1903.

Water Acts—

The Shire of Arapiles and the Western Wimmera Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Application of Municipal Funds.

6. TRANSFER OF LAND ACT 1890 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

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

7. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

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

8. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. PURCHASE OF ESTATES FOR CLOSER SETTLEMENT.—The Honorable G. Godfrey moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—

1. All estates purchased by the Government for settlement purposes.
2. The amount paid for each such estate.
3. The amount received on account of purchase money of each such estate; and
4. The amount of the sales made by the Government.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

10. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—

Purchase of Estates for Closer Settlement.—Return to the foregoing Order.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

11. DISPOSAL OF CROWN LANDS.—The Honorable E. E. Smith moved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the operations of the Land Act so far as it relates to the disposal of the Public Lands and the methods adopted by the Department in reference thereto.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 20th October, instant :—  
*Cremation Bill—Second reading.*
13. **DAIRYING COMPANIES ACT 1900 FURTHER 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
14. **RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time ; and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
15. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 5.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. G. GODFREY: To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
  1. The number of estates offered to the Government during the last three years for closer settlement.
  2. The size of the estates.
  3. The name of the owner ; and
  4. The situation or district in which such estates were.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading. *Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
2. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.
3. BENALLA FIRE BRIGADE STATION LAND ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Little*)—Second reading.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 1ST OCTOBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 5.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 11 and 12.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 2.

Factories and Shops Bill—[26]. (To Members only.)

Joint Library Committee Bill—[3]. (To Members only.)

Justices Bill—[23]. (To Members only.)

Licensing Amendment Bill—[47]. (To Members only.)

Courts of Mines and General Sessions Bill—[59].

Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories, Work-rooms, and Shops for the Year ended 31st December 1902. No. 14.

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## VICTORIA.

No. 6.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896' and the Acts amending the same,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
3. FACTORIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and, after debate, ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to confer certain powers upon the Council of Agricultural Education, the Trustees appointed under the Agricultural Colleges Act 1890, and the Municipality of Castle Donnington,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
5. COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND CASTLE DONNINGTON SHIRE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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 Forty-three thousand nine hundred and ninety-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and two and One thousand nine hundred and three,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—
  - Report of Proceedings taken under the provisions of the *Settlement on Lands Act 1893* (Part III., *Land Act 1901*), during the financial year ended 30th June, 1903.
  - Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—
    - Part II.—Interchange.
    - Part V.—Vital Statistics, &c.

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 :—

Additional Regulations under the *Land Act 1901*.—Addition to Regulations made on 8th January, 1902.

Education Act No. 1086.—Regulations.

Public Service Acts.—Alteration of Regulations.

9. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole having been read—  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, that the Honorable J. Bell perform the duties of Chairman of Committees during this evening.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Bell reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
*Resolved*—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
10. ESTATES OFFERED FOR CLOSER SETTLEMENT.—The Honorable G. Godfrey moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing—
1. The number of estates offered to the Government during the last three years for closer settlement.
  2. The size of the estates.
  3. The name of the owner; and
  4. The situation or district in which such estates were.
- Debate ensued.  
Paragraph 1—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Paragraph 2—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Paragraph 3—put and negatived.  
Paragraph 4—put and negatived.
11. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—  
Estates offered for Closer Settlement.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
12. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS 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 further adjourned, on the motion of the Honorable Sir A. Snowden, until to-morrow.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—  
*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading.*  
*Benalla Fire Brigade Station Land Act 1903 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 6.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1903.

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. G. GODFREY: To move, That there be laid before this House the following particulars supplemental to the Return furnished to the Council on the 6th October instant relating to the Purchase of Estates for Closer Settlement, viz. :—
  1. The amount of interest paid on each such purchase from date of purchase to date of sale.
  2. The amount of interest payable from date of sale yearly on each estate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading. *Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
2. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.
3. BENALLA FIRE BRIGADE STATION LAND ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Little*)—Second reading.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2)—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.
2. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
3. COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND CASTLE DONNINGTON SHIRE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
4. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 20th October.*

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—at three o'clock.

(120 copies.)

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 8TH OCTOBER. 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 4 and 5.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 6.

Factories and Shops Bill—[26]. (To Members of Council only.)

Agricultural Colleges Bill—[27]. (To Members of Council only.)

Libraries Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill—

(New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. Sir Henry Cuthbert.) (To Members only.)

(New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Abbott.) (To Members only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 13, 14, and 15.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 16.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 3.

Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill—[24]. (To Members only.)

Transfer of Land Bill—[28]. (To Members only.)

Barmaids Restriction Bill—[61].

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

## VICTORIA.

No. 7.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 14TH OCTOBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PETITION.—The Honorable C. J. Ham presented a Petition from the office-bearers of the Victorian Laundry Association on behalf of the laundry trade of the State of Victoria, praying that certain institutions carrying on laundry work, for which they charge and receive payment, and which are exempt from the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, may be brought under the said Acts; or that all laundries employing European and white labour be exempted from the provisions of the said Factories Acts; and further that laundries carried on by Asiatic labour may be dealt with as suggested by the Royal Commission on the Factories and Shops Law.  
Petition read, ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Factories Bill.
3. PURCHASE OF ESTATES FOR CLOSER SETTLEMENT.—The Honorable G. Godfrey moved, That there be laid before this House the following particulars supplemental to the Return furnished to the Council on the 6th October instant relating to the Purchase of Estates for Closer Settlement, viz. :—
  1. The amount of interest paid on each such purchase from date of purchase to date of sale.
  2. The amount of interest payable from date of sale yearly on each estate.
 Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—  
Purchase of Estates for Closer Settlement.—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
5. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert moved, That this Bill be now read a second time; and debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
6. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 2).—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Honorable J. Bell perform the duties of Chairman of Committees during this evening.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Bell having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

7. **FACTORIES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time; and debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
8. **COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION AND CASTLE DONNINGTON SHIRE BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Bell having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next:—  
*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading.*  
*Benalla Fire Brigade Station Land Act 1903 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*
10. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 7.

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TUESDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.

*Question.*

- \*1. The Hon. N. LEVI: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will lay on the Table of this House any Petitions from the retail and wholesale furniture trade presented to the Honorable the Chief Secretary and Minister of Labour between the 22nd July and 1st October of this year.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. N. Levi.)*
2. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
2. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
3. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*
4. BENALLA FIRE BRIGADE STATION LAND ACT 1903 AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Little*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 20th October.*

REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT)—at three o'clock.

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 7.

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.

Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill. (New Clause to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

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No. 8.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—  

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor of Victoria. Message No. 3.

The Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has, on this day, at the Government Offices, given the Royal Assent to the undermentioned Act of the present Session, presented to him by the Clerk of the Parliaments, viz. :—  
*“An Act to further amend the ‘Dairying Companies Act 1900.’”*  
Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 13th October, 1903.
3. PETITION.—The Honorable Walter S. Manifold presented a Petition from certain employers and traders and other citizens of the town of Warrnambool, praying that the Council would make such amendments in the Factories Bill now under consideration as would either exempt the town of Warrnambool from the special or wages board provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts, or otherwise to make them equally applicable throughout the length and breadth of the State. Petition read, ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Factories Bill.
4. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. Balfour, a Bill to amend the *Police Offences Act 1890*, was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—  
Report of the Trustees of the Public Library, Museums, and National Gallery of Victoria, for 1902, with a statement of Income and Expenditure for the financial year 1901-2.  
Water Acts—  
Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 23.  
Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Alterations to weirs on Serpentine Cr ek and head sluices of main channels.

6. **FACTORIES 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.  
The Honorable H. Williams moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Debate further resumed.  
Question—That this Bill be now read a second time—put and resolved in the affirmative. Bill read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—  
*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*  
*Cremation Bill—Second reading.*  
*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*  
*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*
8. **BENALLA FIRE BRIGADE STATION LAND ACT 1903 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 8.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1903.

### *General Business.*

#### NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. R. B. RITCHIE : To move, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of money the purchasers of land under the Closer Settlement System are in arrears to the State.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. Balfour*)—Second reading.
2. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Wednesday, 21st October.*

LIBRARY (JOINT)—at three o'clock.

## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 15TH OCTOBER, 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 6 and 7.  
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 8.  
Factories Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed.) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 16, 17, and 18.  
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.  
Health Bill—[45]. (To Members only.)  
Police Offences Bill—[71].

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill—  
(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)  
(Amendments and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Lunacy Bill—  
(New Clause to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)  
(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Duties under Administration and Probate Acts.—(Resolution to be proposed by Mr. Irvine in Committee of Ways and Means.) (To Members only.)

Income Tax.—(Resolution to be proposed by Mr. Irvine in Committee of Ways and Means.) (To Members only.)

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## VICTORIA.

No. 9.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST OCTOBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. CLOSER SETTLEMENT SYSTEM.—ARREARS OF PURCHASE MONEY.—The Honorable R. B. Ritchie moved, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the amount of money the purchasers of land under the Closer Settlement system are in arrears to the State.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
3. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented—  
Closer Settlement System.—Arrears of Purchase Money—Return to the foregoing Order.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they have agreed to the Joint Library Committee Bill without amendment.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Municipal Overdrafts Indemnity Bill with an amendment, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
6. FACTORIES 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—  
*Police Offences Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
*Cremation Bill—Second reading.*  
*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading.—Resumption of Debate.*  
*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading.—Resumption of Debate.*  
*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 9.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. Balfour*)—Second reading.
2. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*

TUESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. E. E. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, if, in view of the fact that His Majesty the King has given the Royal Assent to the Reform Bill, it is the intention of the Government to bring the present Session to a close at the earliest possible moment, with a view to the immediate dissolution of Parliament.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 27th October.*

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 21ST OCTOBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 9.

Municipal Overdrafts (Indemnity) Bill.—(Amendment made by the Legislative Assembly.) (To Members only.)

Factories Bill—

(New clause to be proposed by the Hon. W. Cain.) (To Members only.)

(Amendment to be proposed by the Hon. Dr. W. H. Embling.) (To Members only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

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## VICTORIA.

No. 10.

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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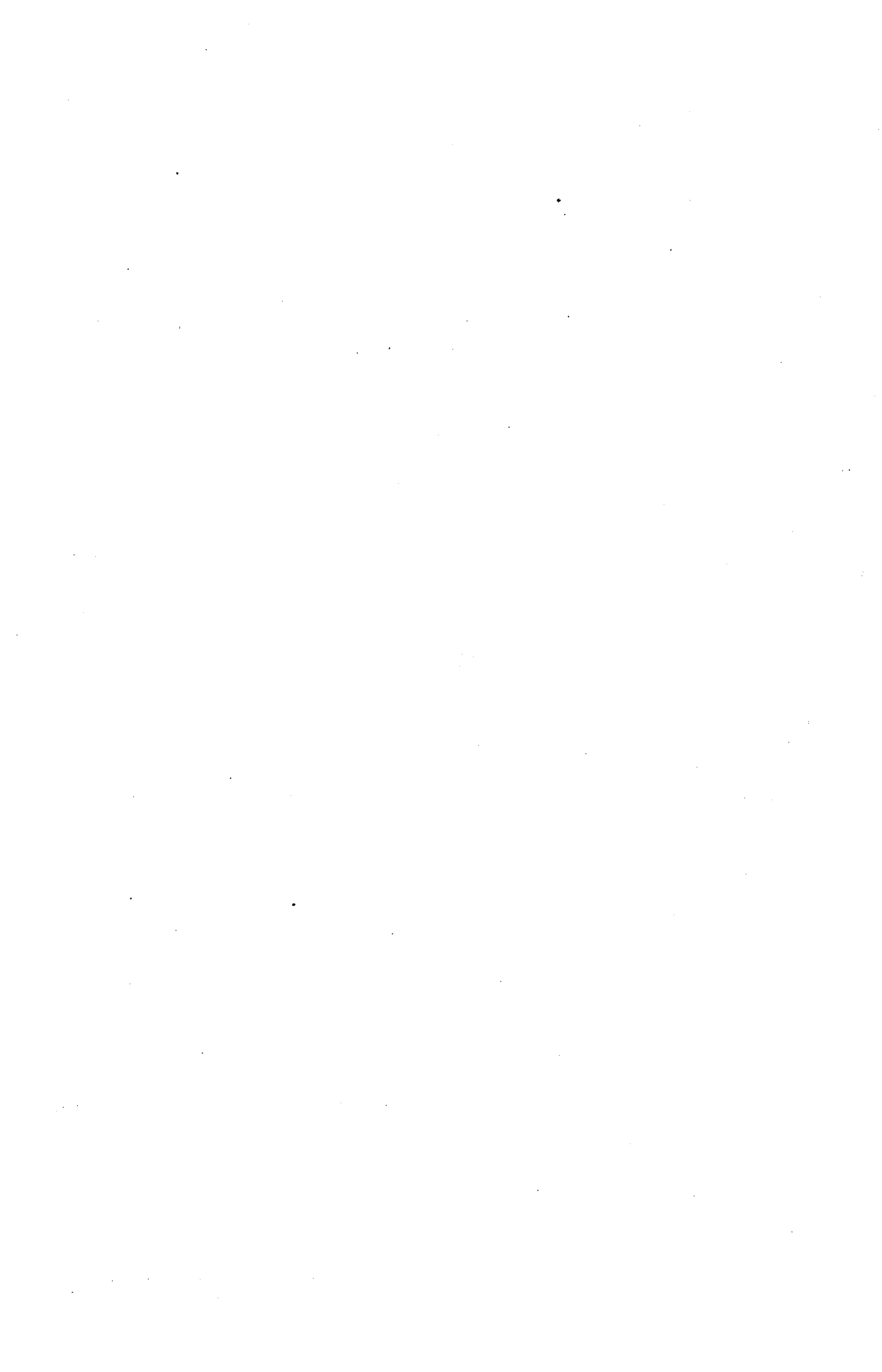
 THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1903.
 

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1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **PETITIONS.**—The Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling presented a Petition from the President, Vice-Presidents, and Executive Officers of the Victorian Employers' Federation, praying that the Council would not pass the Factories Bill.  
The Honorable N. Levi presented a Petition from the President and Secretary of the Victorian Chamber of Manufactures, in favour of excluding from the Wages Boards system all adult male operatives, and of withdrawing from the Wages Boards the power to limit the number of apprentices and improvers in any trade.  
Severally read, ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Factories Bill.  
The Honorable J. Balfour presented a Petition from the Council of Churches of Victoria, praying that the Council would reject the proposed amendment in the Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill, providing for the opening of the Public Library, Picture Gallery, and Museums on Sundays.  
The Honorable D. E. McBryde presented a similar Petition from the Presbyterian Church of Victoria.  
Severally read, ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill.
3. **PAPERS.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part IV., Finance, &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 :—  
Public Service Act 1890.—Regulations.
4. **FACTORIES 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.  
Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.  
*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*  
*Municipal Overdrafts Indemnity Bill—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.*  
*Police Offences Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*  
*Cremation Bill—Second reading.*  
*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.*  
*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. E. E. SMITH: To ask the Honorable the Attorney-General, if, in view of the fact that His Majesty the King has given the Royal Assent to the Reform Bill, it is the intention of the Government to bring the present Session to a close at the earliest possible moment, with a view to the immediate dissolution of Parliament.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Consideration of Report.
2. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. Balfour*)—Second reading.
2. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## MEETING OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

*Tuesday, 27th October.*

STANDING ORDERS—at three o'clock.

## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 10.

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

Old-age Pensions Bill—[14].

Women's Suffrage Bill—[74].

Wills Bill—[75].

Lunacy Bill—(New Clause to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill—

(New Clause to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. Bailes.) (To Members only.)

(Amendments to be proposed in Committee by Mr. W. A. Hamilton.) (To Members only.)

At the meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 15th day of June, 1954.

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## VICTORIA.

No. 11.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **DECLARATION OF MEMBER.**—The Honorable T. Brunton delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—
 

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS BRUNTON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Four hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the shire of Broadmeadows, and are known as ‘Roxburgh Park.’

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

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

“THOMAS BRUNTON.”
3. **SENATE ELECTIONS (TIMES AND PLACES) BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill relating to the election of Senators for Victoria to the Senate of the Commonwealth was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and 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 :—
 

Additions to, and alterations in, the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.  
Education Act No. 1086.—Regulations.  
Exported Products Act 1898.—Regulations.—Export of Butter or Cheese.  
Public Service Act 1901.—Copies of papers in connexion with the promotion of an officer.
5. **FACTORIES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—
 

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the said Order be discharged, and the Bill recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 3, 4, 7, and 14.

The Honorable A. Wynne moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word “That” be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “a Committee of this House be appointed to confer with the Government to consider the amendments of the Legislative Council in the Factories Bill.”

Debate ensued.  
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.  
Debate continued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill be now adopted.

The Honorable A. Wynne moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of proposed new clauses and the Schedule."

Debate ensued.

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

Council divided.

Ayes, 9.

The Hon. J. Balfour  
J. M. Davies  
C. J. Ham  
E. Morey  
A. O. Sachse  
G. Simmie  
Sir A. Snowden.

*Tellers.*

G. Godfrey  
W. Pitt.

Noes, 25.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
S. Austin  
W. Cain  
T. Comrie  
E. J. Crooke  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
T. Dowling  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
N. FitzGerald  
W. B. Gray  
D. Ham  
N. Levi  
W. Little  
Walter S. Manifold  
D. E. McBryde  
J. Y. McDonald  
D. Melville  
E. Miller  
W. Orr  
E. E. Smith  
J. Sternberg  
H. Williams  
A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

W. L. Baillieu  
T. H. Payne.

And so it passed in the negative.

Question—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of proposed new clauses and the Schedule—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be further considered in Committee to-morrow.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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 Seven hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and forty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

7. CONSOLIDATED REVENUE BILL (No. 3).—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and ordered to be printed, and, by leave, was read a second time, and, after debate, committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

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

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Municipal Overdrafts Indemnity Bill—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.*

*Police Offences Act 1890 Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*Cremation Bill—Second reading.*

*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.*

*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading—Resumption of Debate.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 11.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1903.

### *General Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. Balfour*)—Second reading.
2. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—To be reconsidered in Committee.
2. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL—Message from the Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
4. SENATE ELECTIONS (TIMES AND PLACES) BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 22ND OCTOBER, 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 8, 9, and 10.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 11.

Factories and Shops Bill—[26]. (To Members of Council only.)

Senate Elections (Times and Places) Bill—[76].

Factories Bill—New Clauses and Amendments to be proposed. (To Members of Council only.)

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 19, 20, and 21.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 22.

Election Expenses Bill—[78].

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill—

(New Clauses to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

(Schedule of Amendments to be proposed in Committee, of which notice has been given up to 26th October.)

Transfer of Land Bill 1903—(New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Mr. W. A. Hamilton.) (To Members only.)





## VICTORIA.

No. 12.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1903.

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 :—
  - Exhibition Trustees.—Report of Proceedings and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Year ended 30th June, 1903.
  - Public Service Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.
  - Water Acts—Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation for the sale of water.
3. FACTORIES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the reconsideration 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments.
  - The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Report from the Committee of the whole on this Bill be now adopted.
  - The Honorable N. Levi moved, as an amendment, That all the words after “That” be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the words “the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 7.”
  - Debate ensued.
  - Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative ; 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 Bill with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
4. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
  - Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
5. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER 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.
  - The President resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
  - Resolved—That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. MUNICIPAL OVERDRAFTS INDEMNITY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendment made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read—

The said amendment was read, and is as follows :—

Insert new clause A :—

A. Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act it shall be deemed and taken to be lawful for the council of any municipal district (including the City of Melbourne and the Town of Geelong) to apply or to have applied out of the municipal or town fund of such municipal district any sum or sums of money approved by the council towards defraying the costs incurred in combating the recent outbreak of swine fever by employing veterinary surgeons to inspect the pigs in such municipal district.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council, after debate, agreed to the amendment made in the Bill by the Assembly, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896,' and the Acts amending the same,*" and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to others of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Council.

The said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by the Legislative Assembly.

Clause 7, after line 26, insert following paragraphs :—

1. In sub-section (10) for the words "the number or proportionate number of apprentices or improvers or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be) who may be employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place, and the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to such apprentices or improvers when" there shall be substituted the words "the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to apprentices or improvers or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be) employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place in"; and at the end of the said sub-section the words "and may fix a different proportion of male and female apprentices or improvers" are hereby repealed.

Agreed to with the following amendments, viz.:—Omit the words "the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to apprentices or improvers, or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be), employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place in" and insert "the number or proportionate number of improvers who may be employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place and the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to apprentices or improvers." Omit "and may fix a different proportion of male and female" and omit "improvers."

2. In sub-section (11) the words "or who attempts to employ or employs or authorizes or permits to be employed any apprentice or improver in excess of the number or proportionate number as determined pursuant to this section" are hereby repealed.

Agreed to with the following amendments:—Omit "or who attempts to employ or employs or authorizes or permits to be employed any;" and omit "improver in excess of the number or proportionate number as determined pursuant to this section." And after "repealed" insert "All apprentices not bound by indentures of apprenticeship which bind the employer to instruct such apprentice in such process business or trade for a period the whole term of which is not less than three years shall be deemed to be improvers for the purposes of this section."

Insert the following new clauses :—

3. A. In section fifteen of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1900 for the words "either House of Parliament" there shall be substituted "both Houses of Parliament."

Disagreed with.

4. B. All laundries shall be exempt from the provisions of the *Factories and Shops Acts*.

5. H. Nothing in this or the Principal Act shall apply to any children of the employer.

Agreed to with the following amendment:—Omit "Nothing in this or the Principal Act," and insert "No determination of a Special Board."

6. In the Schedule insert—

1654 ... | *Factories and Shops* | Section twenty-  
Act 1900 | four

Disagreed with.

7. In the Schedule, third column, omit "and ten."

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly in amendment 1.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

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

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

8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. Balfour moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at three o'clock.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, as an amendment 'Tha the word "three" be omitted with a view to insert in place thereof the word "eleven."

Debate continued.

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

Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at three o'clock.

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

*Cremation Bill—Second reading.*

*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading—Resumption of debate.*

*Senate Elections (Times and Places) Bill—Second reading.*

And then the Council, at eleven o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 12.

THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. FACTORIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
2. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. SENATE ELECTIONS (TIMES AND PLACES) BILL—(*Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. Balfour*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. CREMATION BILL—(*Hon. F. S. Grimwade*)—Second reading.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 28TH OCTOBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 12.

Factories Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23.

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill—

(New Clauses to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Justices Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill—(New Clauses to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 13.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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THURSDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor.

Message No. 4.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Forty-three thousand nine hundred and ninety-two pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and two and One thousand nine hundred and three.”

“ An Act to confer certain powers upon the Council of Agricultural Education, the Trustees appointed under the ‘ Agricultural Colleges Act 1890,’ and the Municipality of Castle Donnington.”

“ An Act relating to the Parliamentary Joint Library Committee.”

“ An Act to amend the ‘ Benalla Fire Brigade Station Land Act 1903.’ ”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 26th October, 1903.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor.

Message No. 5.

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

“ An Act to apply out of the Consolidated Revenue the sum of Seven hundred and eleven thousand three hundred and forty-nine pounds to the service of the year One thousand nine hundred and three and One thousand nine hundred and four.”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 28th October, 1903.

4. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert, a Bill to amend the Companies Acts and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday, 10th November next.

5. **FACTORIES BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Message from the Assembly with respect to their amendments on the amendments of the Council in this Bill having been read—the said amendments are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.

How dealt with by  
the Legislative Assembly.

Clause 7, after line 26, insert following paragraphs :—

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|--|---|--|
| <p>1. In sub-section (10) for the words “the number or proportionate number of apprentices or improvers or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be) who may be employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place, and the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to such apprentices or improvers when” there shall be substituted the words “the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to apprentices or improvers or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be) employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place in”; and at the end of the said sub-section the words “and may fix a different proportion of male and female apprentices or improvers” are hereby repealed.</p> | } | <p>Agreed to with the following amendments, viz.:—Omit the words “the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to apprentices or improvers or of apprentices and improvers (as the case may be) employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place in” and insert “the number or proportionate number of improvers who may be employed within any factory or work-room or shop or place and the lowest prices or rates of pay payable to apprentices or improvers.” Omit “and may fix a different proportion of male and female”; and omit “improvers.”</p>        |
| <p>2. In sub-section (11) the words “or who attempts to employ or employs or authorizes or permits to be employed any apprentice or improver in excess of the number or proportionate number as determined pursuant to this section” are hereby repealed.</p>  | } | <p>Agreed to with the following amendments:—Omit “or who attempts to employ or employs or authorizes or permits to be employed any”; and omit “improver in excess of the number or proportionate number as determined pursuant to this section.” And after “repealed” insert “All apprentices not bound by indentures of apprenticeship which bind the employer to instruct such apprentice in such process business or trade for a period the whole term of which is not less than three years shall be deemed to be improvers for the purposes of this section.”</p> |
| <p>Insert the following new clauses :—</p>   |   |  |
| <p>3. A. In section fifteen of the <i>Factories and Shops Act</i> 1900 for the words “either House of Parliament” there shall be substituted “both Houses of Parliament.”</p>  | } | <p>Disagreed with.</p>   |
| <p>4. B. All laundries shall be exempt from the provisions of the <i>Factories and Shops Acts</i>.</p>   | } | <p>Disagreed with.</p>   |
| <p>5. H. Nothing in this or the <i>Principal Act</i> shall apply to any children of the employer.</p>  | } | <p>Agreed to with the following amendment:—Omit “Nothing in this or the <i>Principal Act</i>,” and insert “No determination of a <i>Special Board</i>.”</p>  |
| <p>6. In the Schedule insert—<br/>1654 ...   <i>Factories and Shops</i>   Section twenty-<br/>            <i>Act</i> 1900                        four</p>  | } | <p>Disagreed with.</p>   |
| <p>7. In the Schedule, third column, omit “and ten.”</p>   | } | <p>Disagreed with.</p>   |

Debate resumed on the question, That the Council agree to the amendment made by the Assembly in amendment 1.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments of the Assembly on amendment 2, after debate, agreed to.

Amendment 3, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 4, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment of the Assembly on amendment 5, agreed to.

Amendment 6, after debate, not insisted on.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not insist on amendment 7.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.



Council divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. J. Balfour  
T. Brunton  
J. M. Davies  
F. S. Grimwade  
C. J. Ham  
E. Miller  
A. O. Sachse  
Sir A. Snowden.

*Tellers.*

G. Godfrey  
W. Pitt.

Noes, 18.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
J. Bell  
W. Cain  
T. Comrie  
T. Dowling  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
N. FitzGerald  
W. B. Gray  
N. Levi  
W. Little  
Walter S. Manifold  
D. E. McBryde  
W. McCulloch  
D. Melville  
R. B. Ritchie  
E. E. Smith

*Tellers.*

W. L. Baillieu  
T. H. Payne.

And so it passed in the negative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council do not insist on one of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, do insist on others of the said amendments, and have agreed to the amendments of the Assembly on the amendments of the Council.

6. SENATE ELECTIONS (TIMES AND PLACES) 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

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

7. CREMATION 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

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

8. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 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.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

9. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they desire a Free Conference with the Council on the subject-matter of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896' and the Acts amending the same,*" and acquainting the Council that they have appointed seven members of the Assembly to be Managers of the said Conference.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the desire of the Assembly for a Free Conference on the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896' and the Acts amending the same*" be complied with.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling moved, That the following Members be appointed Managers of the Conference:—The Honorables W. Cain, N. Levi, D. E. McBryde, D. Melville, R. B. Ritchie, E. E. Smith, and the Mover.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable F. S. Grimwade moved, as an amendment, That all the words after "That" be omitted, with a view to insert the words "the Managers be elected by ballot."

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Conference meet immediately in the Conference Room.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly informing them that the Council have appointed seven Members to confer with a like number of Members of the Assembly on the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896' and the Acts amending the same,*" and have appointed the Conference Room as the place, and now as the time, of meeting of such Conference.

10. **FACTORIES BILL.—CONFERENCE.**—The Managers then went to the Conference, and being returned—The Honorable Dr. W. H. Embling reported on behalf of the Managers for the Legislative Council that they had met the Managers for the Legislative Assembly on the subject-matter of the amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council in the Factories Bill, and that they had arrived at the following agreement. viz. :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council.	How dealt with.	Recommendations of Free Conference.
Insert the following new clauses :—		
3. A. In section fifteen of the <i>Factories and Shops Act 1900</i> for the words "either House of Parliament" there shall be substituted "both Houses of Parliament."	Disagreed with by Assembly, and insisted on by Council.	Disagreement not now to be insisted on by Assembly.
4. B. All laundries shall be exempt from the provisions of the <i>Factories and Shops Acts</i> .	Disagreed with by Assembly, and insisted on by Council.	Disagreement to be still insisted on by Assembly.
7. In the Schedule, third column, omit "and ten."	Disagreed with by Assembly, and insisted on by Council.	Disagreement not now to be insisted on by Assembly, but the following consequential amendment to be made in the Bill :—Insert new clause A. Except so far as any determination of any Special Board has prior to the commencement of this Act been applied to any shire or portion of a shire no determination of any Special Board or of the Court of Industrial Appeals shall apply to any portion of any shire which is not less than ten miles from any city or town unless on petition of the council of such shire, the Governor in Council by an order published in the <i>Government Gazette</i> expressly applies and extends any such last-mentioned determination to such portion of such shire.

11. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Bill intituled "*An Act to continue and amend the 'Factories and Shops Act 1896' and the Acts amending the same,*" and acquainting the Council that, as recommended by the Free Conference, the Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to insert new clause A, do insist on disagreeing with the amendment to insert new clause B, and do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment to omit "and ten" from the third column of the Schedule, and have made a consequential amendment with which they desire the concurrence of the Council. And the said recommendations having been read—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House concur with the Assembly in agreeing to the recommendations of the Free Conference on the Factories Bill.

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 recommendations of the Free Conference on the said Bill.

12. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday, 10th November next :—

*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Police Offences Act 1890 Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading.—Resumption of Debate.*

*Royal Agricultural Show Holiday Bill—Second reading.—Resumption of Debate.*

13. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 10th November next.

And then the Council, at fifteen minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday, 10th November next

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 13.

TUESDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPANIES BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.
2. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. J. Balfour*)—To be further considered in Committee.
3. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*
4. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. J. M. Davies.)*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 13.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23.

Women's Suffrage Bill—[74]. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendment and New Clauses to be proposed in Committee.)  
(To Members only.)

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VICTORIA.

No. 14.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

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

2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable H. W. H. Irvine delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria No. 1075, I, HANS WILLIAM HENRY IRVINE, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred and fifty pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Stawell, and are known as The Great Western Vineyard, Great Western.

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

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

“HANS W. H. IRVINE.”

3. ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY SIR GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council agree to the following Address to His Excellency Sir George Sydenham Clarke, viz.:—

To His Excellency SIR GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Fellow of the Royal Society; Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the Legislative Council of Victoria, in Parliament assembled, desire on the eve of Your Excellency's departure from this State for the purpose of undertaking the important mission which has been intrusted to you by the Imperial Government, to express to you our appreciation of the ability and dignity with which Your Excellency has sustained the position of the Representative of His Most Gracious Majesty the King in this portion of His Dominions beyond the Seas.

We beg to offer our congratulations to Your Excellency on the great distinction of being chosen to undertake a work so important as that which has been intrusted to you, and to express to Your Excellency our confident belief that you will fulfil your mission in a manner which will be of service to your fellow-countrymen throughout the Empire.

On the departure of Your Excellency we beg to be permitted to offer to you the expression of our esteem and regard for yourself and family, and to assure you that you will carry with you from these shores the respect of the people of this State, who will desire to see your early return to Victoria upon the completion of your labours.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President.

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

- Explosives Act 1890.—Definition and Classification of Explosives amended.
Twenty-fifth Annual Report on Friendly Societies.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the Year 1902, to which are appended the Valuations, Numerical and Financial Summaries of the Returns furnished by the Secretaries, &c.
Public Service Act 1901.—Copies of Papers in connexion with the Promotion of an Officer of the Law Department.

5. POLICE OFFENCES ACT 1890 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.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald 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, after debate, read a third time and passed.

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

6. RESIGNATION OF MEMBER.—The President announced that he had received the following letter from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor :—

State Government House,  
Melbourne, 10th November, 1903.

SIR,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the Honorable Agar Wynne has resigned his seat in the Legislative Council of Victoria, as will be seen from the enclosed letter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. FITZPATRICK,

Private Secretary.

The Honorable the President  
of the Legislative Council.

421 Collins-street,  
Melbourne, 6th November, 1903.

His Excellency

Sir George Sydenham Clarke, K.C.M.G.,  
Governor of the State of Victoria,  
Malvern.

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

Having decided to become a candidate for a seat in the Federal Parliament, I hereby resign my seat in the Legislative Council for the Western Province.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency,

AGAR WYNNE.

7. ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY 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 N. FitzGerald 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 Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

8. COMPANIES ACTS 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved—That 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 the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*

*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading.—Resumption of Debate.*

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 14.

TUESDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—To be further considered in Committee.

*General Business.*

NOTICES OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. T. DOWLING: To move, That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.
2. The Hon. J. BALFOUR: To move, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to report upon the question whether any new writs for election to the Legislative Council should be issued pending the coming into operation of the new Constitution.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 14.

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 25 and 26.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 27.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 5.

Cremation Bill—[57]. (To Members only.)

Senate Elections (Times and Places) Bill—[76]. (To Members only.)

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(To be proposed by Mr. E. H. Cameron.) (To Members only.)

First Report of the Printing Committee. D.—No. 1.





## VICTORIA.

No. 15.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The President reported that he had that day waited upon His Excellency the Governor, and presented to him the Address of the Legislative Council agreed to on the 10th instant, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:—

State Government House,  
Melbourne, 17th November, 1903.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

I warmly thank you for the very kind terms in which you have referred to my discharge of the duties pertaining to the Representative of His Majesty the King in this important part of the Empire.

I accepted the office of Governor with a deep sense of the honour conferred upon me, and of the weighty obligations involved.

The duties have been made easy to me by the unvarying kindness I have received from Ministers in two successive Governments, from Honorable Gentlemen of your House, and from people of all classes in Victoria.

I have now been recalled to the motherland to take a share in a difficult task, on the successful accomplishment of which the future position of our Empire among the armed nations of the world will, to a great extent, depend. This also is a high honour, which I will most earnestly strive to deserve.

In the period of strenuous work that lies before me, my greatest encouragement will be the confidence, which you have been so good as to express, that I may be able to render some service to our Empire.

My wife and I are deeply touched by your assurance that we have won, as we have tried to win, your esteem and regard.

We leave you, for a time, with many regrets, but with memories of the kindness of the people of Victoria which will endure as long as we live, while the Address which you have presented to me will be one of our most treasured possessions.

I came to Victoria at a period of great depression, which has told heavily upon the public finances, and upon many individuals. It has been a source of intense satisfaction to me to see, during two recent trips in the country districts, the sure promise of a bountiful harvest.

I heartily congratulate you upon the bright prospects which are now opening, and I most earnestly hope that, under wise government, the great natural resources of this fine State will be steadily developed, so as to promote the prosperity, happiness, and sustained progress of its loyal and warm-hearted citizens, in whose welfare, in the highest and best sense, I shall always feel the warmest interest.

G. S. CLARKE.

3. RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS.—The President announced that he had received the following letters from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor:—

State Government House,  
Melbourne, 13th November, 1903.

SIR,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the Honorable William McCulloch, C.M.G., has resigned his seat in the Legislative Council of Victoria, as will be seen from the enclosed letter.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

A. FITZPATRICK,

Private Secretary.

The Honorable the President  
of the Legislative Council, &c., &c., &c.

11th November, 1903.  
Australian Club, Melbourne.

To His Excellency The Governor.

SIR,

As it is my intention to stand for a seat in the Senate, I beg to resign my seat in the Legislative Council for the Gippsland Province.

I have the honour to be,  
Your Excellency's obedient servant,

W. McCULLOCH.

State Government House,  
Melbourne, 16th November, 1903.

SIR,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the Honorable Henry Williams has resigned his seat in the Legislative Council of Victoria, as will be seen from the enclosed letter.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

A. FITZPATRICK,

Private Secretary.

The Honorable the President  
of the Legislative Council, &c., &c., &c.

His Excellency Sir George S. Clarke, K.C.M.G.,  
Governor of Victoria.

I hereby resign my position as Member of the Legislative Council of the State of Victoria for the North-Western Province, as I propose to be a candidate for the Federal House of Representatives at the forthcoming elections.

Yours most obediently,

HENRY WILLIAMS.

Tatura, 12th November, 1903.

4. TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, a Bill to provide for the Restriction of Transfer of Debentures held by the Corporation of the City of Melbourne or by the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor—  
Charitable Institutions.—Report of Inspector for the year ended 30th June, 1903.  
Royal Commission on the University of Melbourne.—Minutes of Evidence on Administration, Teaching Work, and Government of the University of Melbourne.  
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part VIII.—Law, Crime, &c.  
Thirty-ninth Report of the Board for the Protection of the Aborigines.
- 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:—

Report of the Proceedings of the University of Melbourne from 31st July, 1902, to 31st July, 1903, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year 1902.

Savings Banks.—Statements and Returns for the year ended 30th June, 1903.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they have agreed to the Senate Elections (Times and Places) Bill without amendment.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

8. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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 thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and four and to continue and amend the Income Tax Acts,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
10. INCOME TAX BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to report upon the question whether any new writs for election to the Legislative Council should be issued pending the coming into operation of the new Constitution.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
12. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER 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.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald 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 Bill with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
13. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—  
*Companies Acts Amendment Bill—To be further considered in Committee.*  
*Railway Passengers' Actions Bill—Second reading.—Resumption of Debate.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 15.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

### *General Business.*

#### NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. T. DOWLING: To move, That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—To be further considered in Committee.
2. RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of Debate—(Hon. Sir A. Snowden.)*

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL—(*Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
2. ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.
3. INCOME TAX BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 15.

Income Tax Bill (No. 2)—[33]. (To Members of Council only.)

Transfer of Securities Bill—[58].

Administration and Probate Duties Bill (No. 2)—[68]. To Members of Council only.)

Companies Acts Amendment Bill—

(New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. Edward Miller.) (To Members of Council only.)

(New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. F. S. Grimwade.) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 27, 28, and 29.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 30.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 6.

Lunacy Bill—[15]. (To Members only.)

Murray River Distribution Bill—[60].

Police Offences Bill—[71]. (To Members only.)

Local Government Bill—[72].

Electoral Rolls Bill—[82].

Lunacy Bill.—(Amendment to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Electoral Rolls Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 16.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.—The Honorable J. Balfour brought up a Report from this Committee.  
Ordered to lie on the Table, to be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
3. RESIGNATION OF MEMBER.—The President announced that he had received the following letter from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor :—

State Government House,  
Melbourne, 17th November, 1903.

SIR,

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that the Honorable E. E. Smith has resigned his seat in the Legislative Council of Victoria, as will be seen from the enclosed letter.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

A. FITZPATRICK,  
Private Secretary.

The Honorable the President  
of the Legislative Council, &c., &c., &c.

Parliament House,  
Melbourne.

SIR,

I do myself the honour to inform you that I hereby resign my seat as a Member of the Legislative Council of the State of Victoria for the Province of South Yarra.

I have the honour to be,  
Your obedient servant,

E. E. SMITH.

To His Excellency the  
Governor of Victoria.

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk :—  
Companies Act 1890.—Summary of Statements for the Year 1902 made by Companies transacting Life Assurance Business in Victoria.  
Victorian Railways.—Report of the Victorian Railways Commissioners for the Quarter ending 30th September, 1903.

5. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.  
*Companies Acts Amendment Bill.*—*To be further considered in Committee.*
6. **RAILWAY PASSENGERS' ACTIONS 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, the question being put, was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole. The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, that the Honorable J. Balfour perform the duties of Chairman of Committees.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable J. Balfour having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. **TRANSFER OF SECURITIES 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.  
Ordered—That the Report from the Committee of the whole be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
8. **ADMINISTRATION AND PROBATE DUTIES BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
9. **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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
10. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Lunacy,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
11. **LUNACY BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
12. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Ordered, after debate, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 16.

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TUESDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—Report from Standing Orders Committee—To be taken into consideration.
2. TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL—(*Hon. W. Pitt*)—Consideration of Report.
3. LUNACY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. T. DOWLING: To move, That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—To be further considered in Committee.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 16.  
Standing Orders Committee.—Report on the filling up of Vacancies in the Legislative Council. D 1.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 31.  
Libraries Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 17.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. DECLARATION OF MEMBER.—The Honorable S. G. Black delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, STEUART GLADSTONE BLACK, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seized of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the State of Victoria of the yearly value of Two thousand and eighty-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Mortlake, and are known as ‘The Sisters’ Estate,’ comprising—

“In the parish of Kolora.

“Section V., allotments A and B; section VI., allotments A and B; section VII., allotments A, B, and C; section VIII., allotments, 6, 7, and 8.

“In the parish of Ellerslie.

“Allotments 40, 41B, 41B<sup>2</sup>, 42A, 42B, 43A, 43B, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 30B, 27B, part of 30A, part of 27A, and part of 26.

“In the parish of Framlingham East.

“Allotments 7 and 8.

“In the parish of Keilambete.

“Section V., allotments 1, 2, 3, and 4; section VI., allotments 1, 2, and 3; section VII., allotments A and B; section VIII., allotments 1 and 2; section IX., allotments A<sup>A</sup>, A<sup>B</sup>, B, C, D<sup>A</sup>, and D<sup>B</sup>; section X., allotments 1 and 2; section XX., allotment A.

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

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

“STEUART G. BLACK.”

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

The Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works—Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, together with Schedule of Contracts, for year ended 30th June, 1903.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act relating to the preparation of Electoral Rolls for the Legislative Council and for the Legislative Assembly,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
5. ELECTORAL ROLLS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Leasing of certain Lands for the purpose of working Mineral Springs at Hepburn,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
7. HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to further amend the ‘Health Act 1890’ and for other purposes,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
9. HEALTH ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered, after debate, That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—  
*Vacancies in the Legislative Council.—Report from Standing Orders Committee—To be taken into consideration.*
11. LUNACY 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.  
 Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until to-morrow :—  
*Transfer of Securities Bill.—Consideration of Report.*  
*Companies Acts Amendment Bill.—To be further considered in Committee.*

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
 Clerk of the Legislative Council.

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 17.

WEDNESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

*General Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. T. DOWLING : To move, That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—To be further considered in Committee.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTORAL ROLLS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
2. HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
3. HEALTH ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
4. TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL—(*Hon. W. Pitt*)—Consideration of Report.

TUESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—Report from Standing Orders Committee—To be taken into consideration.
2. LUNACY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Consideration of Report.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 17.  
Lunacy Bill—[15]. (To Members of Council only.)  
Health Bill—[45]. (To Members of Council only.)  
Hepburn Springs Land Bill—[50]. (To Members of Council only.)  
Electoral Rolls Bill—[82]. (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 30, 31, and 32.  
Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 33.  
Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 7.  
Wombat Land Bill—[20].  
Kerang Lands Bill—[53].  
Ballarat Agricultural and Pastoral Society's Land Bill—[54].  
Election Expenses Limitation Bill—[56].  
Municipal Endowment Reduction Bill—[65].  
Surplus Revenue Bill—[66].  
Public Officers Retirement Bill—[80].



## VICTORIA.

No. 18.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor of Victoria.

*Message No. 6.*

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

“*An Act to continue and amend the ‘Factories and Shops Act 1896,’ and the Acts amending the same.*”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 30th October, 1903.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor of Victoria.

*Message No. 7.*

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

“*An Act to indemnify the Councillors of various Municipalities for Borrowing Moneys by Overdrafts on Bankers for the purposes of their Municipalities contrary to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1890 and for other purposes.*”

“*An Act relating to the Royal Agricultural Show Day.*”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 12th November, 1903.

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

G. S. CLARKE,  
Governor of Victoria.

*Message No. 8.*

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

“*An Act relating to the Election of Senators for Victoria to the Senate of the Commonwealth.*”

“*An Act relating to Actions against the Commissioners of Railways as Carriers of Passengers.*”

“*An Act relating to Duties payable under the Administration and Probate Acts.*”

“*An Act to declare the Rates of Income Tax for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and four and to continue and amend the Income Tax Acts.*”

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 23rd November, 1903.

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

The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890.—Part IX.—Statement showing the names of all persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Council.

Exported Products Act 1898.—Regulation.

Water Acts—

Bacchus Marsh Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 11 (Draft form).

Kerang East Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—  
Special Rate.—Rating Regulation.

General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

Macorna North Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Regulation No. 13.

6. SURPLUS WEALTH TAX.—The Honorable T. Dowling moved, That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.

Debate ensued.

On the motion of the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert the debate was adjourned until Wednesday, 9th December next.

7. COMPANIES 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.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next.

*Electoral Rolls Bill—Second reading.*

*Hepburn Mineral Springs Bill—Second reading*

*Health Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Second reading.*

*Transfer of Securities Bill—Consideration of report.*

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 18.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LUNACY BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Consideration of Report.
2. VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—Report from Standing Orders Committee—To be taken into consideration.
3. HEALTH ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
4. ELECTORAL ROLLS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
5. HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
6. TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL—(*Hon. W. Pitt*)—Consideration of Report.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—To be further considered in Committee.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SURPLUS WEALTH TAX.—The question is—That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.—*Resumption of debate.—(Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.)*

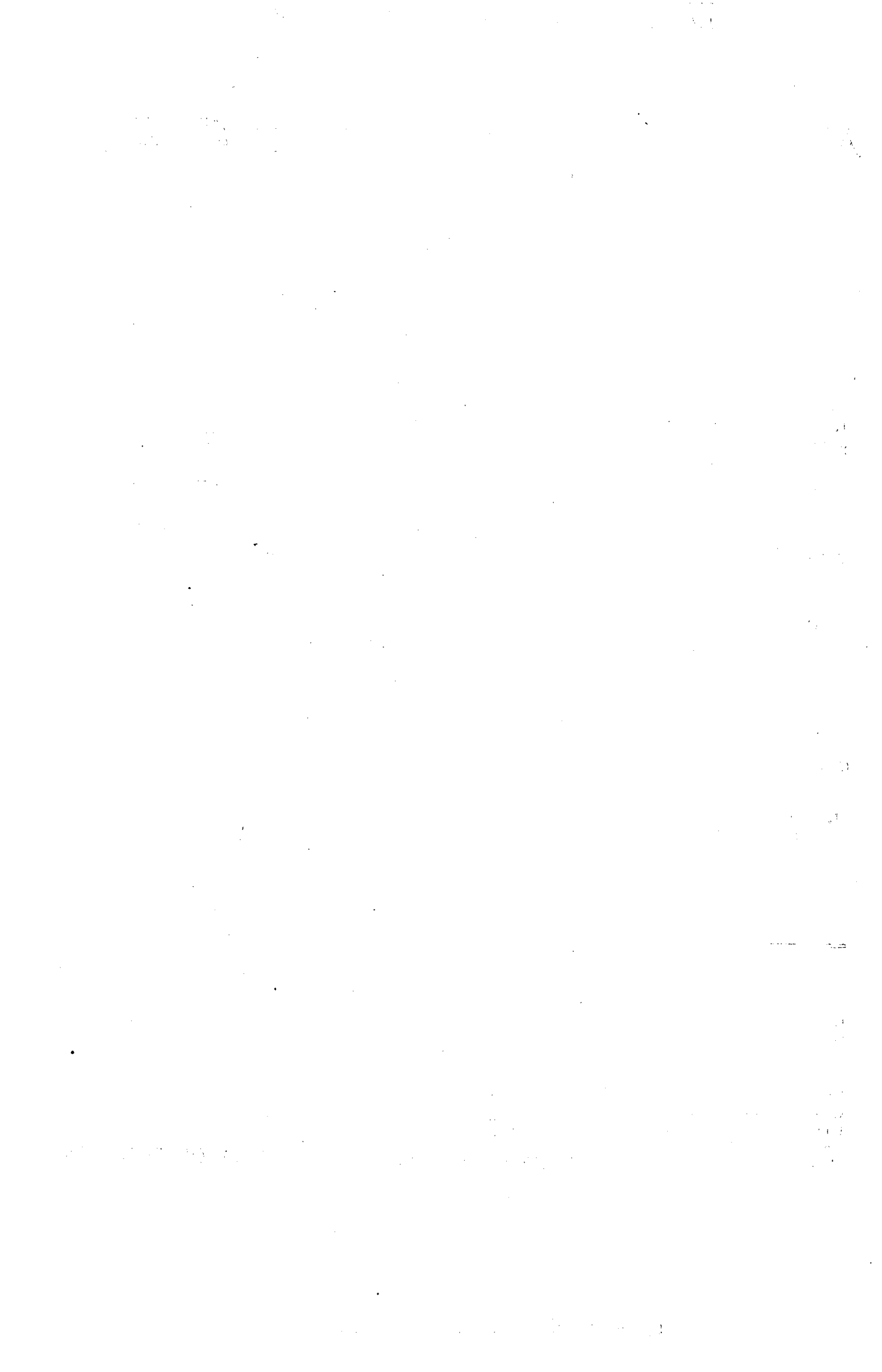
GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 25TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 18.  
Lunacy Bill—[15]. (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 34.  
Old-age Pensions Bill—[14].  
Unused Roads and Water Frontages Bill—[55].  
Recent Possession Bill—[73].  
Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 19.

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1903.

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 :—
  - Alterations in the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.
  - Dentists Act 1898.—Regulation prescribing fee for Preliminary Examination.
  - Public Service Act 1890.—Alteration of Regulations.—Classification of General Division.
  - The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890, Part IX.—Statement showing the names, remuneration, duties, &c., of all persons temporarily employed in the Department of the Legislative Assembly under the authority of Part IX. of The Constitution Act Amendment Act 1890 during the period from 28th November, 1902 to 30th November, 1903.
  - Seventeenth Annual Report on Trade Unions.—Report of the Actuary for Friendly Societies for the year 1902, with an Appendix.
3. LUNACY BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—
  - Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.
  - Ordered, after debate—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 11, 12, 87, and 109, and proposed new headline to clauses A and B.
 House in Committee.  
 The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
 Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
4. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of the Honorable J. Balfour, the following Order of the Day was read and, after debate, discharged :—
  - Vacancies in the Legislative Council—Report from Standing Orders Committee.—To be taken into consideration.*
5. HEALTH ACT 1890 FURTHER 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 N. FitzGerald 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 Bill with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
6. ELECTORAL ROLLS 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
 Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend the ‘Old-age Pensions Act 1901,’*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
8. OLD-AGE PENSIONS ACT 1901 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Sale of certain Land granted as a Site for a Race-course in the Parish of Meran near Kerang,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
10. MERAN RACE-COURSE SITE SALE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Resumption by the Crown of certain Land in the County of Ripon, Town of Learmonth, and for other purposes,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
12. LEARMONTH LAND RESUMPTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Surplus Revenue of the Financial Year ended on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and three,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
14. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
15. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to reduce for One Year the Municipal Endowment,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
16. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT REDUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
17. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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 Wombat,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
18. WOMBAT LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
19. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the '*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill,*' and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to one of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, and have disagreed with others of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.
20. TRANSFER OF SECURITIES BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—  
The President said—

The Clerk of the Parliaments has called my attention to this Bill, and I have considered it carefully. It seems to me clearly a private Bill. It is a Bill to provide for the restriction of the transfer of debentures held by the Corporation of the City of Melbourne or by the Metropolitan Fire Brigades Board. It is therefore a Bill that does not concern the general public, but only the two bodies that are named. There is nothing more certain, under parliamentary law, than that a Bill which does not concern the general public, but only concerns persons or corporate bodies, is not a public Bill. I think it is very important to preserve the distinction between public and private Bills. This seems to be clearly a Bill that is not a public Bill, and it cannot proceed further in this House.

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged, and Bill withdrawn.

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

*Hepburn Mineral Springs Bill.—Second reading.*

*Companies Acts Amendment Bill.—To be further considered in Committee.*

22. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—The Honorable E. J. Crooke moved, by leave; That leave of absence be granted to the Honorable J. Hoddinott for the remainder of the Session, on account of ill-health.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 19.

WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1903.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert*)—To be further considered in Committee.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. OLD-AGE PENSIONS ACT 1901 AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
2. MERAN RACE-COURSE SITE SALE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
3. LEARMONTH LAND RESUMPTION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.
4. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
5. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT REDUCTION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.
6. WOMBAT LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
7. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
8. HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SURPLUS WEALTH TAX.—The question is—That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.—*Resumption of debate.*—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 15, 16, 17, and 18.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 19.

Old-age Pensions Bill—[14]. (To Members of Council only.)

Wombat Land Bill—[20]. (To Members of Council only.)

Kerang Lands Bill—[53]. (To Members of Council only.)

Ballarat Agricultural and Pastoral Society's Land Bill—[54]. (To Members of Council only.)

Municipal Endowment Reduction Bill—[65]. (To Members of Council only.)

Surplus Revenue Bill—[66]. (To Members of Council only.)

Companies Acts Amendment Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. N. Levi.) (To Members of Council only.)

Libraries Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made by the Legislative Council disagreed with by the Legislative Assembly.) (To Members of Council only.)

Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 33, 34, and 35.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 36.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 8.

Savings Banks Bill—[17].

Committee of Public Accounts Bill—[79].

Electoral Districts Boundaries Bill—[87].

Lunacy Bill.—(Amendments of the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Second Report of the Printing Committee. D.—No. 2.

## VICTORIA.

No. 20.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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WEDNESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—  

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part VI.—Population and  
Municipal Finance.

Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. COMPANIES 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.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald 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 sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Law relating to Lunacy*," and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Council.  

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows:—

Amendment made by the Council.	How dealt with by the Assembly.
Clause 88, lines 12 and 13, omit "during the first three years" and subsequently once every five years"	} Disagreed with.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council did not insist on their amendment disagreed with by the Assembly, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.
5. OLD-AGE PENSIONS ACT 1901 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Orders of the Day be postponed until Tuesday next :—

*Meran Race-course Site Sale Bill—Second reading.*

*Learmonth Land Resumption Bill—Second reading.*

*Surplus Revenue Bill—Second reading.*

*Municipal Endowment Reduction Bill—Second reading.*

*Wombat Land Reserve Revocation Bill—Second reading.*

*Libraries Act 1890 further Amendment Bill—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.*

*Hepburn Mineral Springs Bill—Second reading.*

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 20.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. MERAN RACE-COURSE SITE SALE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
2. LEARMONTH LAND RESUMPTION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.
3. SURPLUS REVENUE BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
4. MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT REDUCTION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. A. O. Sachse*)—Second reading.
5. WOMBAT LAND RESERVE REVOCATION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
6. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
7. HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. SURPLUS WEALTH TAX.—The question is—That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.—*Resumption of debate.*—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 2ND DECEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 20.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 37.  
Unused Roads and Water Frontages Bill—[55]. (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 21.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. **ISSUE OF WRITS.**—The President announced that he had issued writs for the election of Members to serve for the undermentioned Provinces, in the places of Members who had resigned, viz.:—  
South Yarra, in the place of the Honorable E. E. Smith;  
Western, in the place of the Honorable A. Wynne;  
North-Western, in the place of the Honorable H. Williams; and  
Gippsland, in the place of the Honorable W. McCulloch.
3. **MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President:—

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor of Victoria.**Message No. 9.*

The Lieutenant-Governor informs the Legislative Council that he has caused the Bill intituled "*An Act to provide for the Reform of the Constitution of Victoria*," which was reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, and which received His Majesty's assent on the 9th day of October last, to be proclaimed in the *Victoria Government Gazette*, a copy of which proclamation is hereto annexed.

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 7th December, 1903.

THE ROYAL ASSENT TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REFORM OF THE CONSTITUTION OF VICTORIA."

## PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency the Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria in the Commonwealth of Australia, in pursuance of provisions contained in *An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Dieman's Land* (5 and 6 Vict.), also in *An Act for the better Government of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies* (13 and 14 Vict.), and in *The Constitution Statute* (19 Vict.), do by this my Proclamation signify that the Bill, the title whereof is herein set forth, that is to say:—

"An Act to provide for the Reform of the Constitution of Victoria."

which was reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon, has been laid before His Majesty in Council, and that by an Order in Council made at the Court at Buckingham Palace, and bearing date the ninth day of October, One thousand nine hundred and three, a copy whereof is hereto appended, His Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the State of Victoria aforesaid, at Melbourne, this twenty-sixth day of November, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and three, and in the third year of His Majesty's reign.

JOHN MADDEN.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. H. IRVINE.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

(600 copies.)

*At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the ninth day of October, 1903.*

PRESENT :

The King's Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord Privy Seal  
Earl of Kintore  
Lord Stanley  
Mr. Lyttelton

Mr. Brodrick  
Mr. Graham Murray  
Mr. Austen Chamberlain.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the 5th and 6th years of Her late Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land," it is amongst other things enacted that no Bill which shall be reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon shall have any force or authority within the Colony of New South Wales until the Governor of the said Colony shall signify, either by Speech or Message to the Legislative Council of the said Colony, or by Proclamation as therein aforesaid, that such Bill has been laid before Her Majesty in Council, and that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the same :

And whereas by another Act passed in the 13th and 14th years of Her late Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act for the better Government of Her Majesty's Australian Colonies," it was provided among other things that the provisions of the said former Act concerning the reservation of Bills for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, should apply to and be in force in the Colony of Victoria :

And whereas the said provisions were maintained in force as regards Bills passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said Colony by a subsequent Act passed in the 18th and 19th years of the reign of Her said Majesty, entitled "An Act to enable Her Majesty to assent to a Bill as amended of the Legislature of Victoria, to establish a constitution in and for the Colony of Victoria" :

And whereas the Colony of Victoria is now one of the States constituting the Commonwealth of Australia, as established by an Act passed in the 63rd and 64th years of Her late Majesty's reign entitled "The Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act" :

And whereas the Governor of the said State of Victoria has reserved a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the said Colony, entitled "An Act to provide for the Reform of the Constitution of Victoria," for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure thereon :

And whereas the said Bill so reserved as aforesaid has been laid before His Majesty in Council, and it is expedient that the said Bill should be assented to by His Majesty :

Now therefore His Majesty, in pursuance of the said Acts, and in exercise of the powers thereby reserved to His Majesty as aforesaid, doth by this present Order, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, declare His assent to the said Bill.

A. W. FITZROY.

4. COUNCIL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, a Bill for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Council Electoral Provinces and for other purposes was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to derive revenue from Unused Public Roads and Water Frontages*," and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
6. UNUSED ROADS BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Health Act 1890 further Amendment Bill, and notifying their agreement to the amendments of the Council.
8. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Report of the Council of Judges under Section 33 of the Supreme Court Act 1890.

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 No. 1086 —Regulations.

Exported Products Act 1908.—Regulations.—Export of Butter and Cheese.

Water Acts—

East Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

Koondrook and Myall Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

North Boort Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

Rodney Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation (No. 24).

Tragowel Plains Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—Graduated Rate.—Regulation No. 21 (Draft Form).

Yatchaw Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.

9. MERAN RACE-COURSE SITE SALE 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

10. **LEARMONTH LAND RESUMPTION 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

11. **SURPLUS REVENUE 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

12. **MUNICIPAL ENDOWMENT REDUCTION 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

13. **WOMBAT LAND RESERVE REVOCATION 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

14. **LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Council, and disagreed with by the Assembly, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Insert the following new clauses:—

A. This Act shall include and extend to the trustees of any land which has been permanently reserved by the Governor in Council and vested in trustees in trust that the same may be used as a site for Old Colonists' Associations.

B. Part II. of the *Libraries Act* 1890, as amended by the *Libraries Act* 1891, shall be read and construed as if the same extended to and included any Old Colonists' Association.

Amendments, after debate, insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendments with which the Assembly have disagreed.

15. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly, transmitting an amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act) in the Electoral Rolls Bill, to which the Assembly have agreed, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

The said amendment was read, and is as follows:—

In sub-clause (2) of clause three, omit the words, "the Bill reserved for the signification of His Majesty's pleasure to be cited as."

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendment recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered that the Assembly be acquainted therewith.

16. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments (pursuant to Joint Standing Order No. 21), calling attention to a clerical error in the Lunacy Bill, viz., the omission of the word "the" in line 3 of clause 43, and acquainting the Council that they have agreed that such error be corrected by the insertion of the word "the" in the said clause, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council concurred with the Assembly in the correction of the clerical error discovered in the Lunacy Bill, and ordered that the Assembly be acquainted therewith.

17. HEPBURN MINERAL SPRINGS 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 N. FitzGerald 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 Bill with an amendment, and requesting their concurrence therein.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 21.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. G. GODFREY: To call the attention of the House to the case of Patrick Dolan, a former employé of the Railway Department, who, from injuries received in the performance of his duties, lost his employment; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General if he will facilitate the grant of an old-age pension to him.

*General Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. SURPLUS WEALTH TAX.—The question is—That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes.—*Resumption of debate.*—(Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.)

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. UNUSED ROADS BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
- 2 COUNCIL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES BILL—(Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. N. LEVI: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a paragraph in the Melbourne *Argus* of December the 8th, showing the loss of population in this State since 1892 to 1902 (by the Government Statist) to be 135,311 people by emigration in eleven years, and the number in the first five months of the current year 9,766, which, if taken as the basis of an estimate for 1903, will exhibit a further loss of 23,438. This will bring the total loss in twelve years by emigration to 158,749 persons; and to ask if the Government will devise some means by which further emigration may be stayed, and increased population attracted to this State.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. DR. W. H. EMBLING: To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the irregular running of country trains on the Victorian Railways, and to ask if this cannot be remedied.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 3RD DECEMBER, 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 19 and 20.

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

Electoral Provinces Boundaries Bill—[91].

Unused Roads and Water Frontages Bill—[55]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly. Nos. 36, 37, and 38.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 39.

Weekly Report of Divisions. No. 9.

Companies Bill—[83]. (To Members only.)

Alexandra Park Bill—[95].

Assembly Electoral Boundaries Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Libraries Act 1890 Further Amendment Bill.—(Amendments made and insisted on by the Legislative Council.) (To Members only.)

Local Government Bill—

(Amendments to be proposed after Third Reading by Mr. Boyd.) (To Members only.)

(Amendments to be proposed after Third Reading by Mr. Shoppee.) (To Members only.)



## VICTORIA.

No. 22.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
  2. **SURPLUS WEALTH TAX.**—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Government be urged to introduce a scientific and equitable system of finance by the adoption of a Surplus Wealth Tax, and the ultimate repeal of our present direct taxes, having been read—  
Debate resumed.  
Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
  3. **COUNCIL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Report from the Committee of the whole be now adopted.  
The Honorable Sir A. Snowden moved, as an amendment, that all the words after “be” be omitted with a view to insert the words “taken into consideration on Tuesday next.”  
Debate ensued.  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Question—That the Report be now adopted—put and resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Bill be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
  4. **UNUSED ROADS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read, the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time, and, debate arising thereupon, it was ordered that the debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
  5. **ADJOURNMENT.**—Ordered—That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next.
- And then the Council, at twenty-two minutes past nine o'clock, adjourned until Tuesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 22.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1903.

### *Questions.*

1. The Hon. DR. W. H. EMBLING : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the irregular running of country trains on the Victorian Railways, and to ask if this cannot be remedied.
2. The Hon. D. MELVILLE : To call the attention of the House to the great importance of converting our suburban railways into electric traction, and also to the Reports of the Select Committees on the subject ; and to ask the Honorable the Attorney-General what are the intentions of the Government with respect to the matter, and also with respect to the Report of the Railways Standing Committee on the St. Kilda and Brighton Railway.
3. The Hon. N. LEVI : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a paragraph in the Melbourne *Argus* of December the 8th, showing the loss of population in this State since 1892 to 1902 (by the Government Statist) to be 135,311 people by emigration in eleven years, and the number in the first five months of the current year 9,766, which, if taken as the basis of an estimate for 1903, will exhibit a further loss of 23,438. This will bring the total loss in twelve years by emigration to 158,749 persons ; and to ask if the Government will devise some means by which further emigration may be stayed, and increased population attracted to this State.

### *Government Business.*

#### ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. UNUSED ROADS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.—*Resumption of debate—(Hon. E. J. Crooke.)*

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 9TH DECEMBER, 1903

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 40.

Electoral Districts Boundaries Bill—[87]. (To Members only.)

Electoral Provinces Boundaries Bill—[91]. (To Members only.)

Local Government Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed after Third Reading.) (To Members only.)

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## VICTORIA.

No. 23.

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 15TH DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. RETURNS TO WRITS.—The President announced that he had received returns to Writs he had issued for the election of Members to serve for the undermentioned Provinces, in the places of Members who had resigned, and by the indorsements on such Writs it appeared that the following Members had been returned for the several Electoral Provinces set opposite their respective names, viz.:—  
     Thomas Luxton, for the South Yarra Province,  
     Alexander Magnus MacLeod, for the Western Province, and  
     Samuel Vary, for the Gippsland Province.

3. SWEARING-IN OF MEMBERS.—The Honorables T. Luxton and S. Vary, being severally introduced, took and subscribed the Oath required by law, and severally delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth:—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, THOMAS LUXTON, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of One hundred and ninety-six pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Prahran, and are known as ‘Grandview,’ 5 Wynnstay-road, Armadale; ‘Craigmill,’ 15 Mathoura-road, Toorak.

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

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

“THOS. LUXTON.”

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Vict. No. 1075, I, SAMUEL VARY, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Two hundred and seventy-five pounds above all charges and encumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment, and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Morwell, and are known as Driffield Farms, in the parish of Narracan and Mirboo.

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

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

“SAMUEL VARY.”

4. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,  
*Lieutenant Governor.*

*Message No. 10.*

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

*An Act to amend the Old-age Pensions Act 1901.*

Government Offices,  
Melbourne, 9th December, 1903.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly, transmitting amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act) in the Lunacy Bill to which the Assembly have agreed, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

The said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

At the end of clause two insert the words, "Part IV.—Miscellaneous."

In the note to Schedule Seven for the word "thirty" substitute the word "twenty-five."

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered that the Assembly be acquainted therewith.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Hepburn Mineral Springs Bill, and notifying their agreement to the amendment of the Council.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Local Government,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—

Report of Proceedings taken under the Provisions of Part IV. (Closer Settlement) of the Land Act 1901, during the year ended 31st December, 1902.

Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part IX.—Social Condition.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table.

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

Bank Liabilities and Assets.—Summary of Sworn Returns for the quarter ended 30th September, 1903.

Public Service Acts—

Copies of Papers in connexion with the promotion of an officer from the Second to the First Class in the Chief Secretary's Department.

Travelling Allowances.—Addendum to Regulations.

10. ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT.—The Clerk having announced that the Honorable the President was unavoidably absent, the Honorable N. FitzGerald, on the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, was chosen to fill temporarily the office and perform all the duties of the President during his absence.

The Honorable N. FitzGerald took the Chair.

11. UNUSED ROADS 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 Acting President resumed the Chair, and the Honorable J. Bell reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill as amended be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 23.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1903.

### *Government Business.*

#### NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES: To move, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates of payment to be paid for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing either inside or outside a factory or work-room the following articles, that is to say:—

Articles of women's, girls', and children's outer clothing or wearing apparel (except indiarubber waterproof garments) such as Costumes, Dresses, Skirts, Tea-gowns, Wrappers, Blouses, Jackets, Mantles, Capes, Opera Cloaks, and Cloaks of every description.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
2. UNUSED ROADS BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Consideration of Report.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 10TH DECEMBER, 1903.

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council. Nos. 21 and 22.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 23.

Unused Roads and Water Frontages Bill—[55]. (To Members of Council only.)

Local Government Bill—[72]. (To Members of Council only.)

Unused Roads Bill—

(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. Walter Manifold.) (To Members of Council only.)

(Amendments to be proposed). (To Members of Council only.)

Local Government Bill—

(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. H. Abbott.) (To Members of Council only.)

(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. W. L. Baillieu.) (To Members of Council only.)

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

Electoral Districts Boundaries Bill—[87]. (To Members only.)

Public Service Bill—[98].

Burrumbeet Park Railway Construction Bill—[99].

Fitzroy Loan Bill—[100].

Assembly Electoral Boundaries Bill.—(Amendments to be proposed on the consideration of Report or after the Third Reading.) (To Members only.)

The history of the United States is a complex and multifaceted story that spans centuries. It begins with the early Native American civilizations, such as the Mayans, Aztecs, and Incas, who built great empires in the Americas. The arrival of European explorers in the late 15th century marked the beginning of a new era, as they sought to establish trade routes and colonies. The United States was founded in 1776, and its early years were characterized by a struggle for independence and the development of a unique political system. The American Revolution led to the creation of the United States Constitution, which established a federal government with three branches: executive, legislative, and judicial. The 19th century was a period of rapid expansion and growth, as the United States acquired new territories and states. This era was also marked by the Civil War, which was fought between the Union and the Confederacy over the issue of slavery. The war resulted in the abolition of slavery and the preservation of the Union. The 20th century was a time of significant change and progress, as the United States emerged as a global superpower. It was also a period of social and cultural transformation, with the Civil Rights Movement and the Women's Movement leading to significant advances in equality and justice. Today, the United States continues to evolve and shape the world, facing new challenges and opportunities in the 21st century.



## VICTORIA.

No. 24.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 16TH DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPERS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—
 

Report of Proceedings taken under the Provisions of the Land Act 1901 (Parts I. and II.) during the year ending 31st December, 1902.

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 :—

Additions to the Regulations under the Land Act 1901.

Water Acts—

Bairnsdale Irrigation and Water Supply Trust—Regulation No. 17.

Leaghur and Meering Irrigation and Water Supply Trust.—General Rate.—Rating Regulation.
3. FACTORIES AND SHOPS ACTS.—APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL BOARD.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates of payment to be paid for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing either inside or outside a factory or work-room the following articles, that is to say :—
 

Articles of women's, girls', and children's outer clothing or wearing apparel (except indiarubber waterproof garments), such as Costumes, Dresses, Skirts, Tea-gowns, Wrappers, Blouses, Jackets, Mantles, Capes, Opera Cloaks, and Cloaks of every description.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to the Assembly with a Message desiring their concurrence therein.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.
- Ordered—That the Bill, as amended, be printed, and taken into consideration to-morrow.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they have agreed to the Transfer of Land Act 1890 Amendment Bill without amendment.
6. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Assembly Electoral Districts and for other purposes,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
7. ASSEMBLY ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

8. UNUSED ROADS BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—

Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, this Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 10, 14, and 15.

House in Committee.

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

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

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 24.

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THURSDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. Dr. W. H. EMBLING : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to the very unsatisfactory train service to Daylesford, and to ask him if a more convenient service cannot be arranged for the comfort of visitors during the summer.

*Government Business.*

NOTICE OF MOTION :—

1. The Hon. J. M. DAVIES : To move, That this House do meet for the despatch of business on Friday, the 18th December instant, at half-past four o'clock.

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Consideration of Report.
2. ASSEMBLY ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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### PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 24.  
Electoral Districts Boundaries Bill—[87]. (To Members of Council only.)

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Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 43.



## VICTORIA.

No. 25.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PETITION.—The Honorable S. G. Black presented a Petition from certain residents of the Shire of Ararat praying that the two Divisions, Wickliffe and Yalla-y-Poora, may be included in the Stawell and Ararat Electoral District and not in the Hampden Electoral District as now proposed. Petition read, ordered to lie on the Table, and referred to the Committee of the whole on the Assembly Electoral Boundaries Bill.
3. ADDITIONAL DAY OF BUSINESS.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this House do meet for the despatch of business on Friday, the 18th December instant, at half-past four o'clock. Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole having been read—  
Ordered—That the said Order be discharged.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, this Bill was recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clauses 3, 92, 203, 269, 271, 272, 273, 274, 341, 436, 442, 485, 650, and the Third and Thirteenth Schedules.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. Fitzgerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with further amendments, the House ordered the Report to be taken into consideration this day, whereupon the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council have agreed to the Bill with amendments, and requesting their concurrence therein.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Committee of Public Accounts,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
6. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachse, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Savings Banks Acts,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
8. SAVINGS BANKS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to construct a Line of Railway from Burrumbeet Station to Burrumbeet Park Reserve, and for other purposes,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
10. BURRUMBEET PARK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable W. Pitt, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
11. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for a further grant and loan by the State for the Yarrowee Channel Works at Ballarat,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
12. YARROWEE CHANNEL LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time to-morrow.
13. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the ‘*Libraries Act 1890*’ *further Amendment Bill*, and acquainting the Council that the Assembly insist on disagreeing with the amendments in such Bill insisted on by the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
14. ASSEMBLY ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
15. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they have concurred with the Council in agreeing to the following resolution, viz.:—  
That it is expedient to appoint a Special Board to determine the lowest prices or rates of payment to be paid for wholly or partly preparing or manufacturing, either inside or outside a factory or work-room, the following articles, that is to say:—  
Articles of women’s, girls’, and children’s outer clothing or wearing apparel (except indiarubber waterproof garments), such as Costumes, Dresses, Skirts, Tea-gowns, Wrappers, Blouses, Jackets, Mantles, Capes, Opera Cloaks, and Cloaks of every description.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

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No. 25.

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FRIDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1903.

*Government Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

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  2. SAVINGS BANKS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
  3. BURRUMBEET PARK RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. W. Pitt*)—Second reading.
  4. YARROWEE CHANNEL LOAN BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies*)—Second reading.
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TUESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY:—

1. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.

GEORGE H. JENKINS.

*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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## VICTORIA.

No. 26.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville, a Bill to Limit Legislative Council Election Expenses was, by leave, read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to further amend the Mines Acts,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
4. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to authorize the city of South Melbourne to construct and provide certain Permanent Works and Undertakings in lieu of certain other Permanent Works and Undertakings,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
6. SOUTH MELBOURNE LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable G. Godfrey, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they have agreed to the Cremation Bill without amendment.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Companies Acts Amendment Bill with amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Unused Roads Bill and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, have disagreed with others of the said amendments, and have agreed to one of the said amendments with amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.
10. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Council Electoral Boundaries Bill with amendments, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration this day.
11. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE 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 N. Fitzgerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

12. SAVINGS BANKS ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—The Order of the Day for the second reading of this Bill having been read—the Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The Honorable N. Levi moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

Debate continued.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The Council divided.

Ayes, 11.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
W. Cain  
N. Levi  
W. Little  
T. Luxton  
D. E. McBryde  
W. Orr  
Sir A. Snowden  
S. Vary.

*Tellers.*

Dr. W. H. Embling  
J. Sternberg.

Noes, 13.

The Hon. J. Balfour  
S. G. Black  
J. M. Davies  
N. FitzGerald  
G. Godfrey  
Walter S. Manifold  
D. Melville  
E. Morey  
T. H. Payne  
W. Pearson  
A. O. Sachse.

*Tellers.*

J. Bell  
C. J. Ham.

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate on the question, That this Bill be now read a second time, further 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

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

1. Schedule, page 3, in heading, after "EAST YARRA" insert "PROVINCE."
2. " " in heading, after "MELBOURNE" insert "PROVINCE."
3. " " in heading, after "MELBOURNE EAST" insert "PROVINCE."
4. " page 4, in heading, after "MELBOURNE NORTH" insert "PROVINCE."
5. " " in Melbourne North Province, line 14, omit "Keelbundora" and insert "Keelbundora."
6. " " in heading, after "MELBOURNE SOUTH" insert "PROVINCE."
7. " " in heading, after "MELBOURNE WEST" insert "PROVINCE."
8. " page 5, at top of page insert the heading "COUNTRY."
9. " " in Bendigo Province, line 32, omit "Yallock" and insert "Yallock."
10. " " in Gippsland Province, line 7, omit "roads" and insert "road."
11. " page 6, in Gippsland Province, line 4, after "100" insert "parish of Mardan."
12. " " line 29, after "creek" omit "and."
13. " page 7, in Nelson Province, line 13, after "and" insert "the north boundary of."
14. " " line 14, after "by" insert "the west boundaries of."
15. " " line 15, after "by" insert "the north boundary of."
16. " " line 16, before "allotment" insert "and the north boundary of."
17. " " line 20, after "north-east" insert "angle."
18. " " line 21, before "to" omit "allotment" and insert "boundary."
19. " " line 41, before "allotments" insert "the north boundaries of."
20. " page 8, in Northern Province, lines 1 to 15, omit "east boundary of the parish of Yarrowonga abuts thereon; thence south by the said boundary and the east boundary of the parish of Pelluebla, east by the north boundary of the parish of Boweya, and southerly by the west boundaries of the parishes of Killawarra, Taminick, and Glenrowen to the Sydney-road; thence south-westerly by that road to the road forming the east boundaries of sections 6, 7, and 8, parish of Benalla; thence south by that road to the Curlewish branch of the Broken River; thence westerly and south-westerly by that river to the road forming the south boundaries of sections 9, 10, 11, and 12; thence west by that road to the road forming the west boundaries of sections 12 and 13; thence north by that road to the Sydney-road; thence south-westerly by that road to the east boundary of the parish of Wills; thence northerly by that boundary and west and north by the south and west boundaries of the parish of Upotipoton to the Broken River; thence

westerly by that river to the east boundary of the parish of Pine Lodge; thence north by that boundary and west by the north boundaries of the parishes of Pine Lodge and Shepparton to the Goulburn River; thence southerly by that river" and insert "west boundary of the parish of Cobram abuts thereon; thence south and east by the boundaries of the said parish, southerly by the east boundaries of the parishes of Katamatite, Youanmite, and Yabba Yabba, west by the south boundary of the parish of Yabba Yabba, and south by the east boundary of the parish of Pine Lodge to the Broken River; thence easterly by that river to the west boundary of the parish of Upotipotpon; thence south and east by the boundaries of that parish and southerly by the east boundary of the parish of Wills to the Sydney-road; thence south-westerly by that road to the east boundary of the parish of Avenel; thence north by that boundary and westerly by the north boundary of the same parish to the north-east angle of allotment B2 therein; thence south by a road and westerly and southerly by the roads forming the north and west boundaries of allotment 1, section A, to Hughes' Creek; thence westerly by that creek and southerly by the Goulburn River."

21. Schedule, pages 9 and 10, in North-Eastern Province, lines 1 to 9 on page 9, and lines 1 to 6 on page 10, omit "east boundary of the parish of Yarrowonga abuts thereon; thence south by the said boundary and the east boundary of the parish of Pelluebla, east by the north boundary of the parish of Boweya, and southerly by the west boundaries of the parishes of Killawarra, Taminick, and Glenrowen to the Sydney-road; thence south-westerly by that road to the road forming the east boundaries of sections 6, 7, and 8, parish of Benalla; thence south by that road to the Curlewis branch of the Broken River; thence westerly and south-westerly by that river to the road forming the south boundaries of sections 9, 10, 11, and 12; thence west by that road to the road forming the west boundaries of sections 12 and 13; thence north by that road to the Sydney-road; thence south-westerly by that road to the east boundary of the parish of Wills; thence northerly by that boundary and west and north by the south and west boundaries of the parish of Upotipotpon to the Broken River; thence westerly by that river to the east boundary of the parish of Pine Lodge; thence north by that boundary to the south boundary of the parish of Katandra; thence west by that boundary and the south boundaries of the parishes of Congupna and Tallygaroopna to the Goulburn River; thence southerly by that river" and insert "west boundary of the parish of Cobram abuts thereon; thence south and east by the boundaries of the said parish, southerly by the east boundaries of the parishes of Katamatite, Youanmite, and Yabba Yabba, west by the south boundary of the parish of Yabba Yabba, and south by the east boundary of the parish of Pine Lodge to the Broken River; thence easterly by that river to the west boundary of the parish of Upotipotpon; thence south and east by the boundaries of that parish and southerly by the east boundary of the parish of Wills to the Sydney-road; thence south-westerly by that road to the east boundary of the parish of Avenel; thence north by that boundary and westerly by the north boundary of the same parish to the north-east angle of allotment B2 therein; thence south by a road and westerly and southerly by the roads forming the north and west boundaries of allotment 1, section A, to Hughes' Creek; thence westerly by that creek and southerly by the Goulburn River."
22. " page 12, in Southern Province, line 15, omit "169" and insert "69."
23. " " in Southern Province, line 51, omit "Puckapanyal" and insert "Puckapunyal."
24. " page 15, in South-Western Province, line 5, omit "Pywheitjarrk" and insert "Pywheitjorrk."
25. " " line 25, omit "Clarkedale" and insert "Clarkesdale."
26. " page 16, in Wellington Province, line 45, after "north-easterly" insert "and easterly."
27. " " in Wellington Province, line 51, omit "Morrison's" and insert "Morrisons."
28. " " line 53, omit "easterly" and insert "east."
29. " page 22, before "BENDIGO PROVINCE," line 37, insert the heading "COUNTRY."
30. " " in Bendigo Province, omit the Bridgewater Division, lines 40 to 46.
31. " page 23, in Bendigo Province, Golden Square Division, omit the description of boundaries, lines 8 to 15, and insert "The Sutton Ward of the city of Bendigo."
32. " " in Kangaroo Flat Division, omit "KANGAROO FLAT," line 16, and insert "MARONG."
33. " " in Kangaroo Flat Division, omit the description of boundaries, lines 17 to 22, and insert "The borough of Raywood and the shire of Marong."
34. " " omit the Sandhurst South Division, lines 27 to 33.
35. " " in Gippsland Province, line 48, omit "MAEFRA" and insert "MAFFRA."
36. " page 24, in Gippsland Province, line 2, omit "portion" and insert "portions."
37. " " in Nelson Province, line 23, omit "Ballarat" and insert "Ararat."
38. " page 25, in Moyston Division, lines 2 to 8, omit the description of boundaries and insert "The shire of Ararat."
39. " " omit the Wickliffe Division, lines 19 to 26.
40. " " in the Northern Province, omit the Benalla Division.

41. Schedule, page 25, in the Northern Province, after the Echuca Division, insert the following new division :—

GOULBURN DIVISION.

The portion of the shire of Goulburn within the province.

42. " " in the Northern Province, omit the Katamatite Division.  
 43. " " in the Northern Province, in the Numurkah Division, line 43, omit "SHEPPARTON," and insert "TUNGAMAH."  
 44. " " in the Northern Province, after the Serpentine Division, insert the following new division :—

SHEPPARTON DIVISION.

The shire of Shepparton and the portions of the shires of Euroa and Violet Town within the province.

45. " " page 26, in the North-Eastern Province, after the Beechworth Division insert the following new division :—

BENALLA DIVISION.

The shire of Benalla and the portion of the shire of Violet Town within the province and north of Sydney-road.

46. " " in the North-Eastern Province, lines 8 and 9, omit the Goulburn Division.  
 47. " " in the North-Eastern Province, lines 14 and 15, omit the Peechelba Division.  
 48. " " in the North-Eastern Province, in the Strathbogrie Division, line 19, omit "shire" and insert "portions of the shires."  
 49. " " in the North-Eastern Province, after "Euroa" insert "Goulburn and Seymour within the province."  
 50. " " in the North-Eastern Province, after "and" insert "the."  
 51. " " in the North-Eastern Province, line 19, after "province" insert "and south of Sydney-road."  
 52. " " in the North-Eastern Province, after the Towong Division insert the following new division :—

TUNGAMAH DIVISION.

The portion of the shire of Tungamah within the province.

53. " " in the North-Eastern Province, after the Yackandandah Division insert the following new division :—

YARRAWONGA DIVISION.

The shire of Yarrawonga.

54. " " page 27, in Southern Province, transfer Bullarook Division to follow Broadmeadows Division.  
 55. " " in the North-Western Province, after the Warracknabeal Division, lines 11 and 12, insert the following new division :—

WYCHEPROOF DIVISION.

The shire of Wycheproof.

56. " " in the Southern Province, Bulla Division, line 19, omit "BULLA" and insert "BACCHUS MARSH," and transfer this Division to follow Alexandra Division.  
 57. " " page 28, in the Southern Province, Tylden Division, line 3, omit "TYLDEN," and insert "KYNETON," and transfer this Division to follow Kilmore Division on page 27.  
 58. " " in the South-Eastern Province, Brighton Division, lines 13 to 16, omit the description of boundaries and insert "The town of Brighton and the portion of the city of St. Kilda within the province."  
 59. " " lines 21 to 24, omit the Elsternwick Division.  
 60. " " in the Flinders Division, line 26, omit "shires" and insert "shire."  
 61. " " in the Mornington Division, line 32, after "Frankston" insert "and."  
 62. " " in the Mulgrave Division, line 36, omit "portions of the shires" and insert "shire."  
 63. " " in the Mulgrave Division, line 36, before "Nunawading" insert "the portion of the shire of."  
 64. " " page 29, in the South-Western Province, Corangamite Division, line 6, omit "CORANGAMITE" and insert "COLAC."  
 65. " " in the East Geelong Division, line 8, omit "EAST."  
 66. " " in the East Geelong Division, omit the description of boundaries, lines 9 to 11, and insert "The town of Geelong."  
 67. " " in the Otway Division, line 20, omit "OTWAY" and insert "WINCHELSEA," and transfer the Division to follow West Geelong Division.  
 68. " " in the West Geelong Division, omit the description of boundaries, lines 25 to 31, and insert "The borough of Geelong West."  
 69. " " page 30, in the Wellington Province, Sebastopol Division, line 13, omit "eastern and northern boundaries" and insert "western boundary of the shire of Buninyong to the south boundary of the city of Ballarat; by that boundary and the northern boundary."

Amendments 1 to 19 agreed to.

Amendments 20 and 21, after debate, agreed to.

Amendments 22 to 69 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 in this Bill.

14. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly, transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to provide for the Admission of Legal Practitioners from other States of the Commonwealth to practice in Victoria on Terms of Reciprocity and for other purposes relating to the Admission of Legal Practitioners,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
15. LEGAL PRACTITIONERS RECIPROCITY BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. Balfour, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
16. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled an “*An Act to amend Parts II. and III. of the Public Service Act 1890 as to the provisions therein relating to Life Insurance of Appointees,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
17. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. Balfour, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
18. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to enable the Fitzroy City Council to carry out Certain Works with the Surplus Moneys in hand from the No. 6 Loan,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
19. FITZROY LOAN BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
20. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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 Water Supply in Country Districts, and for other purposes.*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
21. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
22. BURRUMBEET PARK 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 President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
23. YARROWEE CHANNEL 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill, after debate, was read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
24. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—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.
25. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.
26. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled “*An Act to amend Section Fifty-four of the Public Service Act 1890,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
27. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable D. Melville, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time, ordered to be printed, and read a second time on Tuesday next.

And then the Council at fifteen minutes past nine o'clock adjourned until Tuesday next.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.



# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 26.

TUESDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 1903.

*Question.*

1. The Hon. W. CAIN : To call the attention of the Honorable the Attorney-General to a statement in *Hansard*, of 19th May, 1903, page 239, in which the Premier states that "A Railway Management Bill will have to be introduced at no very distant period, probably early next Session" (now about closing), and to ask if it is the intention of the Government to introduce such a Bill. Should this not be determined, will the Honorable the Attorney-General state if the Government are satisfied that no alterations are required in the present Acts dealing with the Management of the Railways or otherwise.

*Government Business.*

ORDER OF THE DAY :—

1. LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
2. MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
3. UNUSED ROADS BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
4. WATER SUPPLY LOANS APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC WORKS LOAN APPLICATION BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. M. Davies)—Second reading.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY :—

1. ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL—(Hon. D. Melville)—Second reading.
2. SOUTH MELBOURNE LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. G. Godfrey)—Second reading.
3. COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL—Message from Assembly—To be taken into consideration.
4. LEGAL PRACTITIONERS RECIPROCITY BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. Balfour)—Second reading.
5. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. J. Balfour)—Second reading.
6. FITZROY LOAN BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. Melville)—Second reading.
7. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(from Assembly—Hon. D. Melville)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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 Election Expenses Limitation Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed by Mr. Ashworth.) (To Members only.)





## VICTORIA.

No. 27.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 11.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act*, the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Council for their consideration the following amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Council Electoral Provinces and for other purposes*":—

In the Schedule, page 18, under the heading "East Yarra Province," for the words "Caulfield East Division," substitute the words "Malvern East Division," and under the same heading, for the words "Malvern East Division," substitute the words "Caulfield East Division."

In the Schedule, page 22, under the heading "Melbourne West Province," for the words "North Williamstown Division," substitute the words "South Williamstown Division," and under the same heading, for the words "South Williamstown Division," substitute the words "North Williamstown Division."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 21st December, 1903.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the several amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered the Message to be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message requesting their concurrence therein.

3. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—The following Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was presented by the Honorable J. M. Davies, and the same was read by the Honorable the President :—

JOHN MADDEN,

*Lieutenant-Governor.**Message No. 12.*

Pursuant to the provisions of section 36 of *The Constitution Act*, the Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Council for their consideration the following further amendments which he desires to be made in the Bill intituled "*An Act for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Council Electoral Provinces and for other purposes*":—

In the Schedule, page 18, under the heading "East Yarra Province" for the words "Malvern Division" substitute the words "Toorak Division," and on the same page, under the same heading, for the words "Toorak Division" substitute the words "Malvern Division."

Government Offices,

Melbourne, 22nd December, 1903.

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the further amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered the Message to be transmitted to the Assembly with a Message requesting their concurrence therein.

4. RETURN TO WRIT.—The President announced that there had been returned to him the Writ issued for the election of a Member to serve for the North-Western Province, in the place of the Honorable H. Williams, who had resigned, and by the indorsement thereon it appeared that Richard Bloomfield Rees had been elected in pursuance thereof.

5. **SWEARING-IN OF MEMBER.**—The Honorable R. B. Rees being introduced, took and subscribed the Oath required by law, and delivered to the Clerk the Declaration required by the thirty-seventh section of the Act No. 1075, as hereunder set forth :—

“In compliance with the provisions of the Act 54 Victoria, No. 1075, I, RICHARD BLOOMFIELD REES, do declare and testify that I am legally or equitably seised of or entitled to an estate of freehold for my own use and benefit in lands or tenements in the colony of Victoria of the yearly value of Three hundred pounds above all charges and incumbrances affecting the same, other than any public or parliamentary tax or municipal or other rate or assessment; and further, that such lands or tenements are situated in the municipal district of Swan Hill, and are known as Bloomfield Buildings, situate in Campbell-street.

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

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

“R. BLOOMFIELD REES.”

6. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly, transmitting the following amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor (pursuant to the provisions of section thirty-six of the Constitution Act) in the Assembly Electoral Boundaries Bill, to which the Assembly have agreed, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

The said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

In the First Schedule, under the heading “Dundas,” page 17, line 12, for the word “northerly” substitute the word “southerly.”

In the First Schedule, under the heading “Lowan,” page 26, line 19 from top of page, for the word “northerly” substitute the word “southerly.”

In the First Schedule, under the heading “Creswick Division,” page 41, in the first line of the description of the Division, omit the words “on the boundary of the district”; in the last line of the description omit the word “and” where first occurring; and in the same line, after the word “district,” insert the words “and by the Bullarook Creek to the north boundary of allotment E, parish of Spring Hill, and by that boundary, and the north boundaries of allotments 65 and 68.”

On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and ordered that the Assembly be acquainted therewith.

7. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—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 Lorn Acts for Railways,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
8. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, 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 this day.
9. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Local Government Bill, and notifying their agreement to the amendments of the Council.
10. **UNUSED ROADS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made by the Council in this Bill, and disagreed with by the Assembly or agreed to with amendments, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow :—

Amendments made by the Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

1. Clause 10, line 43, after “land” insert “except in cases where under a condition of the licence a suitable unlocked swing gate has been erected for the convenience of public traffic when the licence-fee payable shall be fixed at Four pounds per centum of the capital value of the licensed land.”
2. Clause 13, line 34, after “expended” insert “by the council of the municipality within which such road or water frontage is situated.”
3. Clause 14, line 38, omit “ratepayer” and insert “council.”
4. Clause 15, omit sub-clause (2).
5. Insert the following new clauses :—

A. Whenever any unused road or water frontage shall have been made available and opened for traffic as herein provided, the provisions hereinbefore contained directing any person or persons occupying land abutting on such road or water frontage to keep in good repair the fence erected in pursuance of an order of the council or Minister on the common boundary of his or their land, and the road or water frontage shall cease to have any effect with regard to such fence, and thereafter no proceedings shall be taken for the recovery of any penalty prescribed by this Act for such neglect.

Disagreed with.

## Amendments made by the Council.

How dealt with by the Assembly.

B. If any person wilfully damages or destroys any fence or swing gate erected upon any unused road or a water frontage under the provisions of this Act, or leaves any such swing gate open, notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained he may be dealt with in a summary manner before any two or more justices and shall on conviction be liable to pay a penalty not exceeding Ten pounds for each such offence.

Agreed to with the following amendments, viz.:—Omit "or leaves any such swing gate open," and at the end of the Council's amendment add the words "and any person who opens and wilfully or negligently leaves open such swing gate may be dealt with as aforesaid and shall on conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding Two pounds for each such offence."

Amendments 1 to 4, after debate, insisted on.

Amendment 5, to insert new clause A, after debate, insisted on.

Amendments of the Assembly in new clause B, after debate, agreed to.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on some of their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly, and have agreed to the amendments made by the Assembly in new clause B.

11. **WATER SUPPLY LOANS 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
12. **PUBLIC WORKS LOAN 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
13. **MINES ACTS FURTHER 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.  
The Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert moved, as an amendment, That the word "to-morrow" be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "this day six months."  
Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and negatived.  
Question—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the word omitted be so inserted—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That the Council will, this day six months, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
14. **LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made and insisted on by the Council in this Bill, and disagreed with by the Assembly, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—  
Insert the following new clauses:—  
A. This Act shall include and extend to the trustees of any land which has been permanently reserved by the Governor in Council and vested in trustees in trust that the same may be used as a site for Old Colonists' Associations.  
B. Part II. of the *Libraries Act 1890*, as amended by the *Libraries Act 1891*, shall be read and construed as if the same extended to and included any Old Colonists' Association.  
The Honorable A. O. Sachse moved, That the Council do not now insist on their amendments.  
The Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Debate ensued.  
Motion for adjournment of debate, by leave, withdrawn.  
Question—That the Council do not now insist on their amendments—put and resolved in the affirmative.  
Ordered—That a Message be sent to the Assembly acquainting them that the Council do not now insist on their amendments disagreed with by the Assembly.
15. **RAILWAY LOAN APPLICATION BILL.**—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole.  
House in Committee.  
The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendmen

16. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments (pursuant to Joint Standing Order No. 21), calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Local Government Bill, viz.:— In page 8, line 31, the figures “557-558” have been inserted instead of the figures “557-559”; in page 81, clause 245, fifth line of clause, the word “the” has been omitted before the word “Parliament”; in page 170, line 2 of the headline, the word “Bridge” has been omitted after the word “Road”; and in page 191, clause 645, line 3, the words “he same appears” have been inserted instead of the words “the same appear,” and acquainting the Council that they have agreed that such errors be corrected by the insertion of the figures “557-559” instead of the figures “557-558” in page 8, line 31; by the insertion of the word “the” before the word “Parliament” in page 81, clause 245, fifth line of clause; by the insertion of the word “Bridge” after the word “Road” in page 170, line 2 of the headline; and by the insertion of the words “the same appear” instead of the words “he same appears” in page 191, clause 645, line 3, and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
- On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council concurred with the Assembly in the correction of the clerical errors discovered in the Local Government Bill, and ordered that the Assembly be acquainted therewith.
17. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly intimating that they have agreed to the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in the Council Electoral Boundaries Bill.
18. **SOUTH MELBOURNE LOAN 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
19. **COMPANIES ACTS AMENDMENT BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly having been read—  
The said amendments were read, and are as follow:—  
Clause 6, line 22, after the word “business” omit all the words to end of the clause and insert “and such appointment may be for the whole period of the liquidation.”  
After Clause 6 insert the following new clause, viz.:—  
A. At the end of section two hundred and thirty-one of the *Companies Act* 1890 the following words shall be added, viz.:—“And every such member or other person may require a copy of such register or of any part thereof or of such list or summary of members as is hereinbefore mentioned on payment of Sixpence for every hundred words required to be copied. If such inspection or copy is refused, the company shall incur for each refusal a penalty not exceeding Two pounds and a further penalty not exceeding Two pounds for every day during which such refusal continues, and every director and manager of the company who knowingly and wilfully authorizes or permits such refusal shall incur the like penalty, and in addition to the above penalty any judge sitting in chambers may by order compel an immediate inspection of the register.”  
On the motion of the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert the Council agreed to the amendments made in this Bill by the Assembly, and ordered a Message to be sent to the Assembly acquainting them therewith.
20. **LEGAL PRACTITIONERS RECIPROCIITY 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
21. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That the consideration of the following Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.  
*Election Expenses Limitation Bill—Second reading.*
22. **ADJOURNMENT.**—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until three o'clock to-morrow.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## *Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.*

No. 27.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1903.

*General Business.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL—(*Hon. D. Melville*)—Second reading.
2. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. J. Balfour*)—Second reading.
3. FITZROY LOAN BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. D. Melville*)—Second reading.
4. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL—(*from Assembly—Hon. D. Melville*)—Second reading.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
*Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

## PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS ISSUED SINCE 18TH DECEMBER, 1903.

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 27.

Legal Practitioners Reciprocity Bill—[81]. (To Members of Council only.)

Election Expenses Limitation (Legislative Council) Bill—[107].

Mines Acts Further Amendment Bill.—(New Clauses to be proposed by the Hon. J. Sternberg.) (To Members of Council only.)

Mines Bill 1903.—(Amendments to be proposed by the Hon. J. M. Davies.) (To Members of Council only.)

Public Service Act 1890 Amendment Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. J. Bell.) (To Members of Council only.)

Election Expenses Limitation Bill.—(New Clause to be proposed by the Hon. N. Levi.) (To Members of Council only.)

Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day. No. 46.

Election Expenses Limitation Bill (No. 2).—(Amendments to be proposed in Committee.) (To Members only.)

Progress Report from the Committee of Public Accounts. D.—No. 3. (To Members of Assembly only.)

## VICTORIA.

No. 28.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. PAPER.—The Honorable J. M. Davies presented, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor—  
Statistical Register of the State of Victoria for the year 1902.—Part VII.—Production.  
Ordered to lie on the Table.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Unused Roads Bill, and acquainting the Council that the Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with some of the amendments of the Council in this Bill; do insist on disagreeing with one of the said amendments; and insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council in Clause 10, line 43, on the ground that it is an amendment in a clause of the Bill which imposes a duty, rate, tax, rent, return, or impost, with which they desire the concurrence of the Council.  
Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration this day.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act to Limit Parliamentary Election Expenses*," and desiring the concurrence of the Council.
5. ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No. 2).—On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, 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 this day.
6. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 FURTHER 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
7. FITZROY LOAN 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.  
Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.
8. PUBLIC SERVICE ACT 1890 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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.  
Resolved—That the Council will, on Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. **ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No. 2).**—This Bill was, according to Order, and after debate, read a second time and committed to a Committee of the whole.

House in Committee.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Honorable N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

10. **UNUSED ROADS BILL.**—The Order of the Day for the consideration of the amendments made and insisted on in this Bill by the Council and disagreed with by the Assembly, having been read—the said amendments were read, and are as follow:—

Amendments made by the Council.

How dealt with.

Clause 10, line 43, after “land” insert “except in cases where under a condition of the licence a suitable unlocked swing-gate has been erected for the convenience of public traffic when the licence-fee payable shall be fixed at Four pounds per centum of the capital value of the licensed land.”

Disagreement insisted on by the Assembly on the ground that it is an amendment in a clause of the Bill which imposes a duty, rate, tax, rent, return, or impost.

Insert the following new clause:—

A. Whenever any unused road or water frontage shall have been made available and opened for traffic as herein provided, the provisions hereinbefore contained directing any person or persons occupying land abutting on such road or water frontage to keep in good repair the fence erected in pursuance of an order of the Council or Minister on the common boundary of his or their land, and the road or water frontage shall cease to have any effect with regard to such fence, and thereafter no proceedings shall be taken for the recovery of any penalty prescribed by this Act for such neglect.

Disagreement still insisted on by the Assembly.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment in clause 10, line 43, for the reason that if the Legislative Council still insist on the said amendment the Bill may be lost for this session, but at the same time the Legislative Council desire to place on record that their amendment in no way comes within the operation of section 56 of the Constitution Act; and in addition thereto Standing Order 273 of the Legislative Assembly expressly provides that, with respect to any Bill sent from the Legislative Council to the Legislative Assembly the Legislative Assembly will not insist on their privileges in the following cases \* \* \*

“Where such fees are imposed in respect of benefit taken or service rendered under the Act and in order to the execution of the Act, and are not made payable into the Treasury or in aid of the public revenue.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

Amendment to insert new Clause A insisted on.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause A, but do not insist on their amendment in clause 10 for reasons stated.

11. **ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No. 2).**—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 N. FitzGerald reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill with amendments.

Ordered—That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole in respect of clause 2.

House in Committee.

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

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

12. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—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 four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament,*” and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

13. **APPROPRIATION BILL.**—On the motion of the Honorable A. O. Sachs, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

14. **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.**—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly, returning the Unused Roads Bill, and acquainting the Council that the Assembly do not now insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to insert new clause A.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly returning the Election Expenses Limitation Bill (No. 2), and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed to some of the amendments made in such Bill by the Council, and have disagreed with one of the said amendments, with which they desire the concurrence of the Council.

And the said amendment was read, and is as follows :—

Insert the following new clause :—

A. No candidate shall be chargeable with any electoral expenditure under this Act unless the expenditure by him or on his behalf shall be expressly authorized in writing by such candidate and signed by him.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council do not insist on their amendment.

Debate ensued.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the Council insist on their amendment, but with the following amendment :—

After the words "No candidate" insert the words "for election as a member of the Legislative Council."

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, That the words "in writing" in the Council's amendment be omitted.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause, after debate, put and resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the Bill be returned to the Assembly with a Message acquainting them that the Council insist on their amendment to insert new clause A, but with an amendment, with which they desire the concurrence of the Assembly.

16. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a Bill intituled "*An Act relating to the Old Colonists' Association of Ballarat,*" and desiring the concurrence of the Council.

17. OLD COLONISTS' ASSOCIATION (BALLARAT) BILL.—On the motion of the Honorable Sir H. Cuthbert, the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message was read a first time and 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 N. FitzGerald having reported that the Committee had agreed to the Bill without amendment, the Report was adopted, and the Bill read a third time and passed.

Ordered—That the Assembly be informed that the Council have agreed to the Bill without amendment.

18. ADJOURNMENT.—The Honorable J. M. Davies moved, by leave, That the Council, at its rising, adjourn until half-past one o'clock to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

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

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.





## VICTORIA.

No. 29.

# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 1903.

1. The President took the Chair and read the Prayer.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly, returning the Election Expenses Limitation Bill (No. 2), and notifying that the Assembly do not insist on disagreeing with the amendment of the Council to insert new clause A, as now amended by the Council.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.—The President announced the receipt of a Message from the Assembly transmitting a communication from the Clerk of the Parliaments (pursuant to Joint Standing Order No. 21), calling attention to certain clerical errors in the Unused Roads Bill, viz.:—In clause 3, sub-clause (2), at end of paragraph (b) the word “and” has been inserted; and in paragraph (c) the word “and” has been omitted; in clause 4, sub-clause (2), at end of paragraph (b) the word “and” has been inserted; and in paragraph (c) the word “and” has been omitted; and acquainting the Council that the Assembly have agreed that such errors be corrected by the omission of the word “and” at the end of paragraphs (b), sub-clauses (2), of clauses 3 and 4, and by the insertion of the word “and” at the end of paragraphs (c) of the same clauses; and desiring the concurrence of the Council.  
On the motion of the Honorable J. M. Davies, the Council concurred with the Assembly in the correction of the clerical errors discovered in the Unused Roads Bill, and ordered that the Assembly be acquainted therewith.
4. ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.—His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the State Parliament House, gave the Royal Assent to the following Bills:—
  - “An Act to amend the Transfer of Land Act 1890.”
  - “An Act to regulate Cremation and for other purposes.”
  - “An Act relating to the Committee of Public Accounts.”
  - “An Act to further amend the Savings Banks Acts.”
  - “An Act to construct a Line of Railway from Burrumbeet Station to Burrumbeet Park Reserve and for other purposes.”
  - “An Act to provide for a further grant and loan by the State for the Yarrowee Channel Works at Ballarat.”
  - “An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain sums of money available under Loan Acts for Water Supply in Country Districts and for other purposes.”
  - “An Act to sanction the issue and application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Public Works and other purposes.”
  - “An Act to further amend the Libraries Act 1890.”
  - “An Act to sanction the Issue and Application of certain Sums of Money available under Loan Acts for Railways.”
  - “An Act to authorize the City of South Melbourne to construct and provide certain Permanent Works and undertakings in lieu of certain other Permanent Works and Undertakings.”
  - “An Act to amend the Companies Acts and for other purposes.”
  - “An Act to provide for the Admission of Legal Practitioners from other States of the Commonwealth to practise in Victoria on Terms of Reciprocity, and for other purposes relating to the Admission of Legal Practitioners.”
  - “An Act to amend Parts II. and III. of the Public Service Act 1890 as to the provisions therein relating to Life Insurance of Appointees.”
  - “An Act to enable the Fitzroy City Council to carry out certain Works with the Surplus Moneys in hand from the No. 6 Loan.”
  - “An Act relating to the Old Colonists’ Association of Ballarat.”
  - “An Act to Limit Parliamentary Election Expenses.”

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

6. ROYAL ASSENT TO BILLS.—His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor came into the Council chamber and commanded the Usher to desire the attendance of the Legislative Assembly, who, being come with their Speaker, he, after a short speech to His Excellency, delivered the Appropriation Bill to the Clerk of the Parliaments, who brought it to the Table.

His Excellency was then pleased to assent to the following Bills :—

*“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 four and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this and the last preceding Session of Parliament.”*

*“An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Local Government.”*

*“An Act to derive revenue from Unused Public Roads and Water Frontages.”*

*“An Act for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Assembly Electoral Districts and for other purposes.”*

*“An Act for determining the Boundaries and Divisions of the Legislative Council Electoral Provinces and for other purposes.”*

To these Bills the Royal Assent was pronounced severally by the Clerk of the Parliaments in these words :—

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

7. His Excellency was then pleased to speak as follows :—

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

It affords me pleasure to be able to release you from your labours; to congratulate you upon the useful measures which you have passed; and to express the hope that those measures may, under the blessing of Divine Providence, tend to the prosperity and happiness of the people.

The Bill to continue and amend the Factories and Shops Acts will afford a further opportunity for experience in legislation affecting the relations of employers and employed. The provision made in that Bill for the establishment of a Court, with powers of appeal and supervision, is of great importance, and will, I trust, afford a means of determining some, at least, of the problems upon the solution of which the attainment of industrial harmony must depend.

The important amendments which you have made in the law relating to lunacy provide for the better care and treatment of those whose affliction entitles them, both in their own interest and in that of the community, to the most humane and skilful management.

The re-determination of the boundaries and divisions of the electoral districts for both Houses of Parliament was rendered necessary by the Act recently passed for the reform of the Constitution, and I congratulate you upon the satisfactory accomplishment of that difficult task.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

I thank you, in His Majesty's name, for the provision which you have made for the requirements of the State.

MR. PRESIDENT AND HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL :

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY :

The amendment and consolidation which you have effected of the numerous Acts relating to Local Government will greatly facilitate and simplify the transaction of municipal business, and will remove many anomalies which previously existed.

The Act which you have passed for the leasing of unused roads and water frontages will provide a fund which will be expended on the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in the various municipal districts.

The successful conversion of the loan of £5,000,000, which falls due on 1st January, is a matter for satisfaction, having regard to the stringent conditions which have recently prevailed in the money market. A saving of about £35,000 a year will be thereby effected in the annual interest charge of the State. A very important feature in the new arrangements is the provision of a substantial sinking fund. This will not only be of benefit to the State in tending towards the regular reduction of the public debt, but is calculated to enhance the credit of Victoria.

The permanent economies which have been, and are still being, carried out in every department of public expenditure have already resulted in a large reduction in the annual cost of government, and my Ministers are using every opportunity of effecting further reductions.

The extensive works for the purposes of conservation of water for irrigation in the northern districts of the State are being proceeded with as expeditiously as possible.

The copious rains which have fallen throughout the year have secured an abundant harvest, and there is every prospect of a period of prosperity.

I now, in His Majesty's name, declare this Parliament to be prorogued to Tuesday, the 9th day of February, 1904, and it is prorogued accordingly.

GEORGE H. JENKINS,  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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SELECT COMMITTEES.

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PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS  
(JOINT).

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APPOINTED (UNDER ACT No. 1350) 22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER, 1902.

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The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
D. Melville

The Hon. E. Morey.

APPOINTED DURING THE SECOND SESSION 1903.

No. 1.—ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE OPENING SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Appointed 8th September, 1903.

The Hon. R. B. Ritchie J. H. Abbott J. C. Campbell W. Little	The Hon. Walter S. Manifold D. E. McBryde J. Y. McDonald.
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No. 2.—STANDING ORDERS.

Appointed 16th September, 1903.

The Hon. the President J. H. Abbott S. Austin J. Balfour J. M. Davies	The Hon. N. FitzGerald G. Godfrey D. E. McBryde Sir A. Snowden A. Wynne.*
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\* The Hon. A. Wynne resigned his seat as a Member of the Council, 6th November, 1903.

No. 3.—PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS (JOINT).

Appointed 16th September, 1903.

The Hon. the President Walter S. Manifold W. Orr	The Hon. T. H. Payne W. Pitt
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No. 4.—LIBRARY (JOINT).

Appointed 16th September, 1903.

The Hon. the President J. Bell Sir H. Cuthbert	The Hon. C. J. Ham D. Melville.
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No. 5.—REFRESHMENT ROOMS (JOINT).

Appointed 16th September, 1903.

The Hon. J. C. Campbell W. B. Gray J. M. Pratt	The Hon. G. Simmie J. Sternberg.
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No. 6.—PRINTING.

Appointed 16th September, 1903.

The Hon. the President W. L. Baillieu T. Brunton T. Comrie T. Dowling	The Hon. D. Ham N. Levi J. Y. McDonald R. B. Ritchie E. E. Smith.*
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\* The Hon. E. E. Smith resigned his seat as a Member of the Council, November, 1903.

No. 7.—ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS.

Appointed (by President's Warrant) 6th October, 1903.

The Hon. J. C. Campbell E. J. Crooke Sir H. Cuthbert C. J. Ham	The Hon. D. E. McBryde E. Miller W. Orr.
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VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION 1903.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS  
IN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 1.

Extracted from the Minutes

TUESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1903.

No. 1.—LICENSING ACT 1890 AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 3 :—

- (1) The house to which the removal is made shall be proved to the satisfaction of the court to be of a capital value at least double the value of the house from which such licence is removed and shall contain at least the accommodation required by section forty-seven of the Principal Act. Provided that no removal of any licence in any licensing district shall be permitted without the consent of a majority of the ratepayers of such district voting at the poll taken in accordance with regulations from time to time made by the Governor in Council.

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—(*Hon. N. Levi.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “and provided that at least one-fourth of the ratepayers of such district shall record their votes at the poll” be added to sub-clause (1).—(*Hon. Sir A. Snowden.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 7.

The Hon. C. J. Ham  
D. Ham  
W. Little  
W. Orr  
J. Sternberg.

*Tellers.*

W. L. Baillieu  
D. Melville.

Noes, 16.

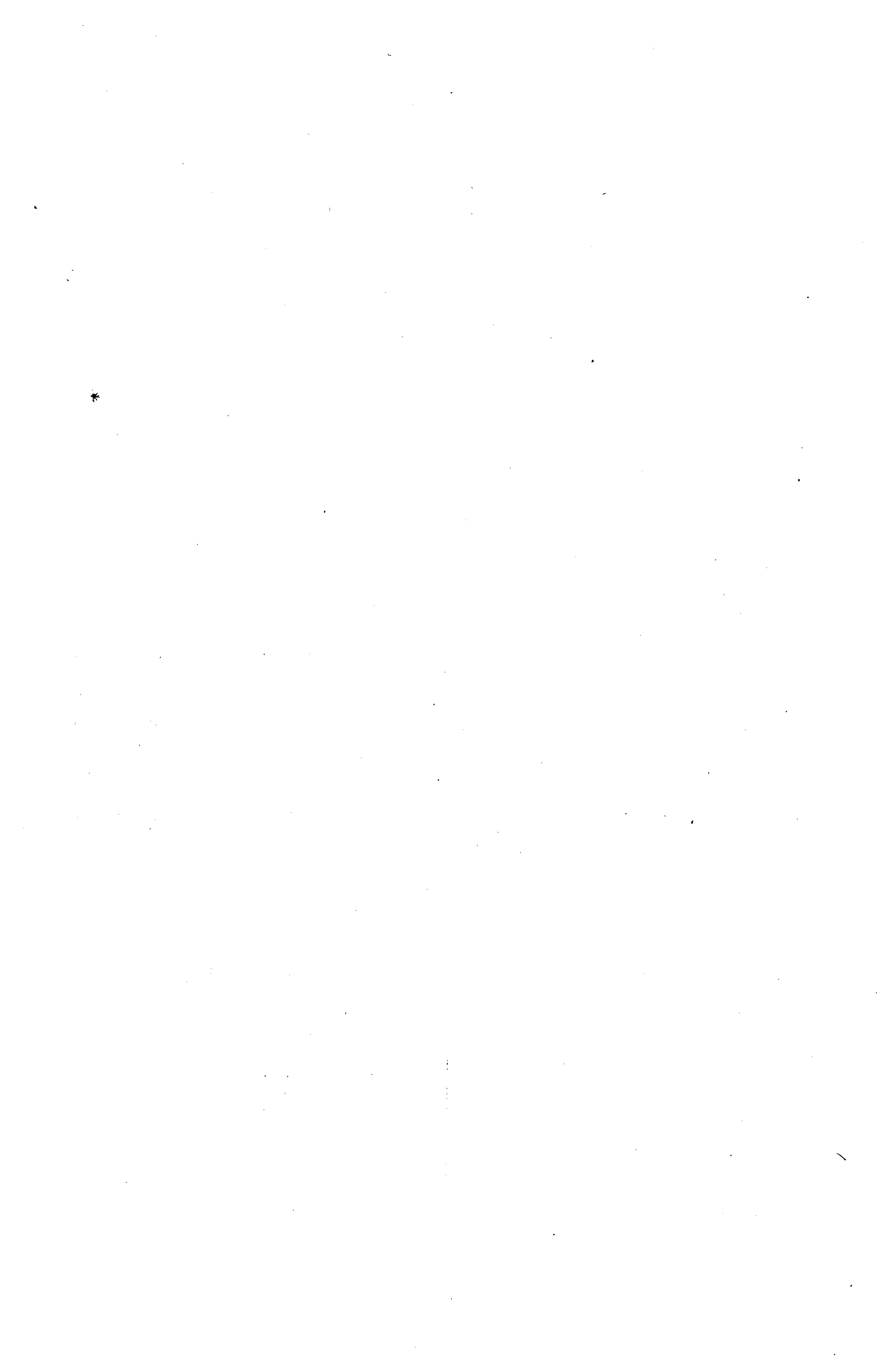
The Hon. W. Cain  
J. C. Campbell  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
J. M. Davies  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
N. Levi  
Walter S. Manifold  
W. McCulloch  
T. H. Payne  
R. B. Ritchie  
A. O. Sachse  
E. E. Smith  
Sir A. Snowden  
H. Williams.

*Tellers.*

G. Godfrey  
W. B. Gray.

And so it passed in the negative.





VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION 1903.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 2.

Extracted from the Minutes.

WEDNESDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1903.

No. 1.—FACTORIES BILL—Clause 3:—

(1) The *Factories and Shops Act* 1896, and all enactments amending the same to the extent in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall as amended by this Act continue in full force and effect until otherwise provided by Parliament.

(2) No determination of either of the undermentioned Special Boards made during the year One thousand nine hundred and two shall be revived by the operation of this Act namely:—

Acrated Water Trade Board.

Tinsmiths Board.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words “otherwise provided by Parliament” be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words “the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and six.”—(*Hon. D. E. McBryde.*)

Motion made and question put—That the clause be postponed.—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 13.

The Hon. T. Comrie  
 E. J. Crooke  
 D. Ham  
 N. Levi  
 W. Little  
 J. Y. McDonald  
 D. Melville  
 E. Miller  
 E. Morey  
 R. B. Ritchie  
 E. E. Smith.

*Tellers.*  
 W. Cain  
 Dr. W. H. Embling.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. J. Balfour  
 J. Bell  
 Sir H. Cuthbert  
 J. M. Davies  
 G. Godfrey  
 F. S. Grimwade  
 C. J. Ham  
 Walter S. Manifold  
 D. E. McBryde  
 T. H. Payne  
 W. Pearson  
 W. Pitt  
 A. O. Sachse  
 Sir A. Snowden  
 A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

S. Austin  
 J. M. Pratt.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 2.—FACTORIES BILL—Clause 7 :—

In section fifteen of the *Factories and Shops Act* 1900 the following amendments are hereby made, namely :—

In sub-section (2) after the word “employés” where first occurring the words “The representatives of the employers shall be or shall have been *bonâ fide* and actual employers in the trade concerned, and the representatives of the employés shall be or shall have been actual and *bonâ fide* employés in such trade ; provided that this restriction shall not apply to appointments made by the Minister” shall be inserted.

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—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That the following paragraph be inserted after line 2, viz. :—

In sub-section (1) for the words “person or persons or classes of persons,” wherever occurring, there shall be substituted the words “females of any age or males under twenty-one years of age or classes of females or classes of males under twenty-one years of age.”—(*Hon. Dr. W. H. Embling.*)

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 18.

The Hon. J. Bell  
W. Cain  
T. Comrie  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
D. Ham  
N. Levi  
W. Little  
Walter S. Manifold  
D. E. McBryde  
J. Y. McDonald  
D. Melville  
E. Miller  
E. Morey  
T. H. Payne  
E. E. Smith  
Sir A. Snowden.

*Tellers.*

W. Pearson  
R. B. Ritchie.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. S. Austin  
J. Balfour  
J. M. Davies  
F. S. Grimwade  
C. J. Ham  
W. Pitt  
J. M. Pratt  
A. O. Sachse.

*Tellers.*

E. J. Crooke  
G. Godfrey.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1903.

## No. 3.—FACTORIES BILL.—Clause 17, sub-clause (5) :—

(5) Except as hereinafter provided no barrister and solicitor or agent shall be allowed to appear before or be heard by the Court. By the direction of the Court, or with the consent of both parties to the appeal or reference, either party may, at its own cost, be represented by a barrister and solicitor or agent. In appeals by a minority of employers or employés, as provided under sub-section (1) of this section, the Court may give such directions for the representation of parties as may in the circumstances appear to be proper.

—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (5) be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the following sub-clause :—“(5) Either party to the appeal or reference may be represented by an agent.”

—(*Hon. J. Bell.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes 15.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
J. Balfour  
T. Comrie  
E. J. Crooke  
J. M. Davies  
F. S. Grimwade  
C. J. Ham  
W. Little  
Walter S. Manifold  
E. Morey  
W. Orr  
J. M. Pratt  
A. O. Sachse.

*Tellers.*

W. B. Gray  
J. Sternberg.

Noes 13.

The Hon. J. Bell  
W. Cain  
N. Levi  
D. E. McBryde  
D. Melville  
E. Miller  
T. H. Payne  
R. B. Ritchie  
E. E. Smith  
Sir A. Snowden  
A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

Dr. W. H. Embling  
G. Godfrey.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

No. 4.—FACTORIES BILL.—Proposed new clause B (amended) :—

All laundries shall be exempt from the provisions of the Factories and Shops Acts.—(*Hon Dr. W. H. Embling.*)

Question—That new clause B, as amended, be added to the Bill—put.  
Committee divided.

Ayes, 20.

- The Hon. J. H. Abbott
- J. Balfour
- J. Bell
- W. Cain
- T. Comrie
- Dr. W. H. Embling
- W. B. Gray
- C. J. Ham
- N. Levi
- W. Little
- D. E. McBryde
- D. Melville
- E. Miller
- E. Morey
- W. Orr
- T. H. Payne
- R. B. Ritchie
- E. E. Smith.

*Tellers.*

- J. M. Pratt
- Sir A. Snowden,

Noes, 9.

- The Hon. J. M. Davies
- G. Godfrey
- F. S. Grimwade
- W. Pitt
- A. O. Sachse
- J. Sternberg
- A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

- E. J. Crooke
- Walter S. Manifold.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION 1903.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 3.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 1903.No. 1.—**FACTORIES BILL**—Clause 3 (amended on recommittal):—

(1) The *Factories and Shops Act* 1896 and all enactments amending the same to the extent in force immediately before the commencement of this Act shall as amended by this Act continue in full force and effect until the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and five.

(2) No determination of either of the undermentioned Special Boards made during the year One thousand nine hundred and two shall be revived by the operation of this Act namely:—

Aerated Water Trade Board.  
Tinsmiths Board.

(3) From the passing of this Act the determinations of all special boards except in the cases of females of any age or males under twenty-one years of age shall cease and be determined.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That sub-clause (3) be omitted.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 14.

The Hon. J. Bell  
W. Cain  
T. Comrie  
T. Dowling  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
D. Ham  
N. Levi  
Walter S. Manifold  
J. Y. McDonald  
D. Melville  
E. Morey  
H. Williams.

*Tellers.*

T. H. Payne  
E. E. Smith.

Noes, 24.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
W. L. Baillieu  
J. Balfour  
T. Brunton  
E. J. Crooke  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
J. M. Davies  
G. Godfrey  
W. B. Gray  
F. S. Grimwade  
C. J. Ham  
W. Little  
D. E. McBryde  
E. Miller  
W. Orr  
W. Pitt  
J. M. Pratt.  
A. O. Sachse  
G. Simmie  
Sir A. Snowden  
Sir H. J. Wrixon  
A. Wynne.

*Tellers.*

S. Austin  
J. Sternberg.

And so it passed in the negative.



VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION 1903.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 4.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

No. 1.—ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW HOLIDAY BILL—Clause 2:—

Except so far as relates to the municipal districts specified in the Schedule to this Act in section two of the *Public and Bank Holidays Act 1897* the words "the first Thursday in September" are hereby repealed and in section three of the *Public and Bank Holidays Act 1897* the words "the first Thursday in September" are hereby repealed.—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)

Question—That clause 2 stand part of the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 15.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
J. Bell  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
J. M. Davies  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
G. Godfrey  
F. S. Grimwade  
J. Y. McDonald  
D. Melville  
E. Morey  
R. B. Ritchie  
E. E. Smith  
Sir A. Snowden.

*Tellers.*

H. W. H. Irvine  
Walter S. Manifold.

Noes, 10.

The Hon. W. Cain  
W. B. Gray  
N. Levi  
W. Little  
W. McCulloch  
W. Pitt  
J. M. Pratt  
G. Simmie.

*Tellers.*

D. E. McBryde  
E. Miller.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.





VICTORIA.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION 1903.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 5.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1903.

No. 1.—LIBRARIES ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL—Proposed new clause D :—

The trustees of the Public Library Museums and National Gallery of Victoria are hereby authorized to open these institutions to the public on Sunday afternoons from two o'clock until six o'clock.—(*Hon. J. H. Abbott.*)

Question—That new clause D be added to the Bill—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 10.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
F. S. Grimwade  
H. W. H. Irvine  
N. Levi  
Walter S. Manifold  
D. E. McBryde  
D. Melville  
T. H. Payne.

*Tellers.*

W. L. Baillieu  
J. M. Pratt.

Noes, 15.

The Hon. J. Balfour  
W. Cain  
T. Comrie  
J. M. Davies  
C. J. Ham  
D. Ham  
W. Little  
J. Y. McDonald  
E. Miller  
W. Pitt  
A. O. Sachse  
Sir A. Snowden  
J. Sternberg.

*Tellers.*

W. B. Gray  
E. Morey.

And so it passed in the negative.



VICTORIA.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SECOND SESSION 1903.

WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS

IN

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

No. 6.

Extracted from the Minutes.

TUESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER, 1903.

No. 1.—HEALTH ACT 1890 FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 2:—

(1) All persons carrying on the trade of cow-keepers dairymen and purveyors of milk who keep cows shall for the purposes of their trade provide proper cow yards cow sheds and milking sheds all of which shall be constructed of suitable material; and such yards and sheds and also all pigsties upon the premises wherein the trade of any such person is carried on shall be paved or flagged with stone brick cement or asphalt so as to make the same impervious and shall be provided with suitable and impervious drains and receptacles for any dung urine or refuse.

\* \* \* \* \* (Hon. W. Pitt.)

Amendment proposed—That the words "and all cow yards other than bailing up yards shall be so constructed as to give a firm footing to cattle, and shall have a surface which will provide sufficient facilities for cleansing and draining such cow yards" be added to sub-clause (1).—(Hon. S. G. Black.)

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

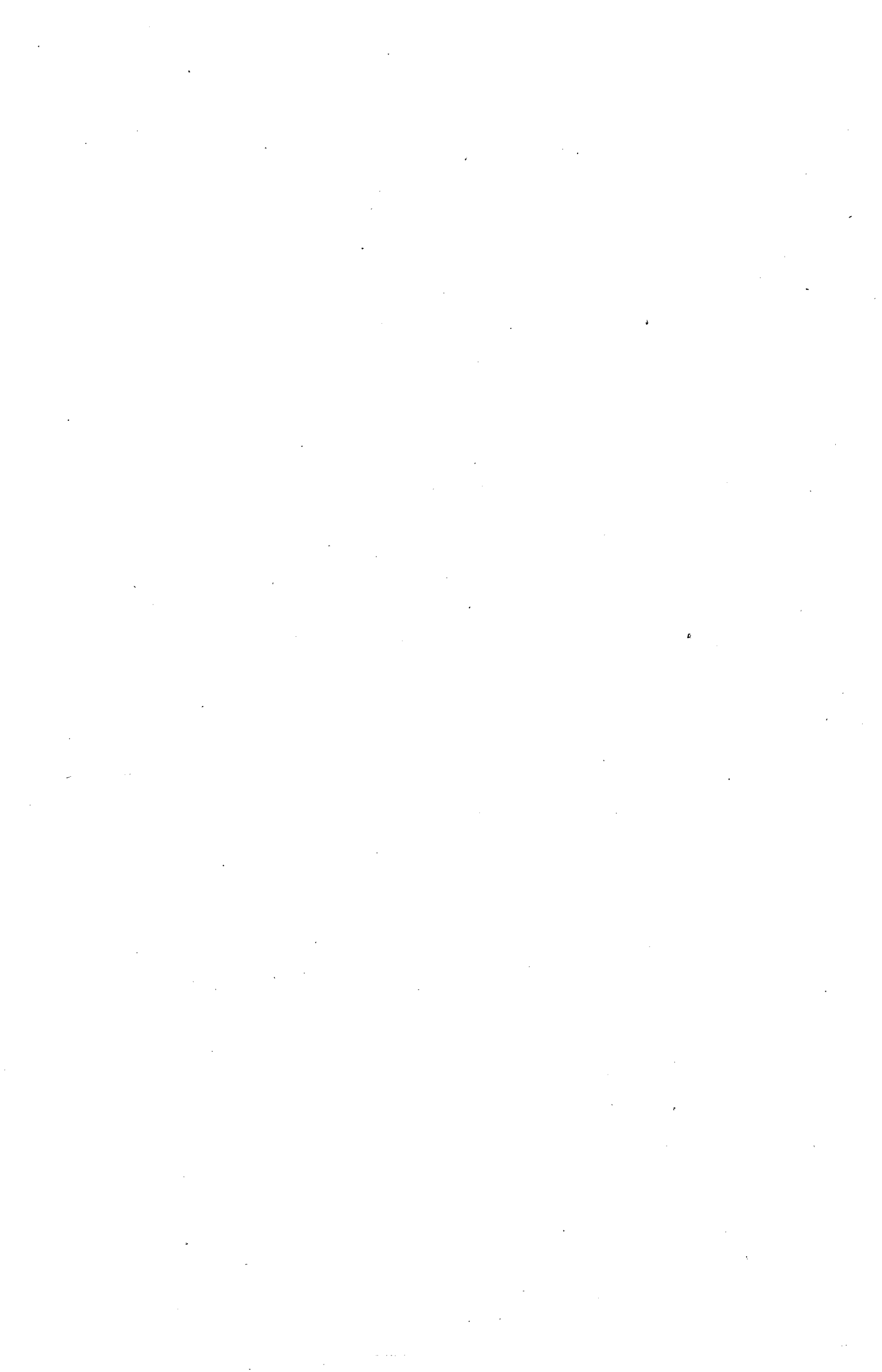
Committee divided.

- Ayes, 19.
- The Hon. J. H. Abbott
- W. L. Baillieu
- S. G. Black
- Sir H. Cuthbert
- J. M. Davies
- H. W. H. Irvine
- N. Levi
- W. Little
- Walter S. Manifold
- J. Y. McDonald
- D. Melville
- E. Morey
- T. H. Payne
- W. Pitt
- R. B. Ritchie
- A. O. Sachse
- Sir A. Snowden.

Tellers.  
E. J. Crooke  
G. Godfrey.

- Noes, 5.
- The Hon. T. Comrie
- D. Ham
- J. M. Pratt.
- Tellers.
- W. B. Gray
- J. Sternberg.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



VICTORIA.

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 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.
 

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 WEEKLY REPORT OF DIVISIONS  
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 No. 7.
 

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 Extracted from the Minutes.
 

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TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1903.

No. 1.—MINES ACTS FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL.—Clause 1:—

(1) This Act may be cited as the *Mines Act* 1903.

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—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Motion made and question put—That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.—

(*Hon. J. Bell.*)

Committee divided.

Ayes, 28.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
 W. L. Baillieu  
 J. Balfour  
 J. Bell  
 W. Cain  
 T. Comrie  
 Sir H. Cuthbert  
 T. Dowling  
 G. Godfrey  
 W. B. Gray  
 C. J. Ham  
 D. Ham  
 W. Little  
 T. Luxton  
 Walter S. Manifold  
 D. E. McBryde  
 J. Y. McDonald  
 E. Miller  
 E. Morey  
 W. Orr  
 T. H. Payne  
 W. Pearson  
 J. M. Pratt  
 Sir A. Snowden  
 J. Sternberg  
 S. Vary.

*Tellers.*S. G. Black  
E. J. Crooke.

Noes, 6.

The Hon. J. M. Davies  
 N. Levi  
 D. Melville  
 W. Pitt.

*Tellers.*Dr. W. H. Embling  
A. O. Sachse.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

WEDNESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1903.

## No. 2.—ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No. 2).—Clause 2 :—

In this Act the expression "electoral expenses" or "electoral expense" includes all payments, including any pecuniary or other reward (other than personal expenses of a candidate in travelling and attending election meetings) made by a candidate, or on his behalf and with his knowledge. "Candidate" includes any person who, within three months before the day of election, offers himself for election as a member of the Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly or within such period does any act with the object of securing his election as such member and afterwards becomes a candidate.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That the words "three months," in line 4, be omitted, with a view to insert in place thereof the words "one month."—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. J. H. Abbott  
J. Balfour  
J. M. Davies  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
W. Little  
D. Melville  
W. Orr  
W. Pitt  
R. B. Rees  
A. O. Sachse.

*Tellers.*

W. L. Baillieu  
T. Luxton.

Noes, 17.

The Hon. J. Bell  
W. Cain  
T. Comrie  
E. J. Crooke  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
W. B. Gray  
C. J. Ham  
D. Ham  
N. Levi  
D. E. McBryde  
E. Morey  
T. H. Payne  
W. Pearson  
J. M. Pratt  
J. Sternberg.

*Tellers.*

S. G. Black  
Walter S. Manifold.

And so it passed in the negative.

## No. 3.—ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No 2)—First Schedule :—

## PART I.

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## PART II.

*Maximum Scale.*

1. For elections for the Legislative Council the electoral expenses (other than personal expenses of a candidate in travelling and attending election meetings) shall not exceed in the whole the maximum amount of £250.

2. For elections for the Legislative Assembly the electoral expenses (other than personal expenses of a candidate in travelling and attending election meetings) shall not exceed in the whole the maximum amount of £150.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That the figures "250" be omitted from paragraph 1, with a view to insert in place thereof the figures "400."—(*Hon. Sir H. Cuthbert.*)

Question—That the figures proposed to be omitted stand part of the Schedule—put.

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

The Hon. S. Austin  
W. L. Baillieu  
J. M. Davies  
Dr. W. H. Embling  
T. Luxton  
D. Melville  
W. Pitt  
R. B. Rees  
A. O. Sachse  
J. Sternberg.

*Tellers.*

W. B. Gray  
W. Orr.

Noes, 14.

The Hon. J. Balfour  
S. G. Black  
W. Cain  
E. J. Crooke  
Sir H. Cuthbert  
C. J. Ham  
D. Ham  
Walter S. Manifold  
E. Morey  
T. H. Payne  
J. M. Pratt  
Sir A. Snowden.

*Tellers.*

D. E. McBryde  
W. Pearson.

And so it passed in the negative.

No. 4.—ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL (No. 2).—First Schedule (amended) :—

PART I.

\* \* \* \* \*

PART II.

*Maximum Scale.*

1. For elections for the Legislative Council the electoral expenses (other than personal expenses of a candidate in travelling and attending election meetings) shall not exceed in the whole the maximum amount of £

2. For elections for the Legislative Assembly the electoral expenses (other than personal expenses of a candidate in travelling and attending election meetings) shall not exceed in the whole the maximum amount of £150.—(*Hon. J. M. Davies.*)

Amendment proposed—That the figures “300” be inserted in the blank, in paragraph 1 of Part II. of the First Schedule.—(*Hon. D. Melville.*)

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

Committee divided.

Ayes, 12.

- The Hon. J. H. Abbott
- J. M. Davies
- Dr. W. H. Embling
- W. B. Gray
- T. Luxton
- D. Melville
- W. Orr
- W. Pitt
- R. B. Rees
- A. O. Sachse.

*Tellers.*

- W. L. Baillieu
- J. Sternberg.

Noes, 14.

- The Hon. J. Balfour
- W. Cain
- E. J. Crooke
- Sir H. Cuthbert
- C. J. Ham
- D. Ham
- Walter S. Manifold
- D. E. McBryde
- E. Morey
- T. H. Payne
- J. M. Pratt
- Sir A. Snowden.

*Tellers.*

- S. G. Black
- W. Pearson.

And so it passed in the negative.





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SECOND SESSION.

VICTORIA.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE.

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REPORT

ON THE

FILLING UP OF VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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TUESDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 1903.

11. VACANCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—The Honorable J. Balfour moved, That it be referred to the Standing Orders Committee to report upon the question whether any new writs for election to the Legislative Council should be issued pending the coming into operation of the new Constitution.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and resolved in the affirmative.

THE SELECT COMMITTEE of the Legislative Council on Standing Orders  
have the honour to report as follow:—

1. Your Committee have given careful consideration to the question as to the filling up of vacancies in the Legislative Council, which has been referred to them by order of the Council.

2. By the Bill for the Reform of the Constitution, which has now obtained the Royal Assent, the number of Members to be elected by provinces to the Legislative Council has been reduced from 48 to 34.

The new Constitution will soon be in operation in Victoria, and a dissolution of both Houses must shortly follow.

3. The Constitution Act, Section 22, provides that no omission or failure to elect a Member for any electoral province shall be deemed or taken to make the Legislative Council incomplete or to invalidate its proceedings or prevent the Council from meeting and despatching business so long as there shall be a quorum of Members present.

4. It seems to Your Committee that it would be inconvenient to the public, and a needless expense, to order elections for vacancies that may occur during the short interval that there must now be before the general election.

5. Also, in the opinion of Your Committee, it is more in accordance with constitutional respect for the new Act not to further fill up vacancies that have become superfluous, and which, owing to the new Constitution, could in any case be only temporarily occupied.

6. Your Committee are therefore of opinion that it is not desirable that vacancies in the Legislative Council should be filled up at present, nor unless some unexpected cause for filling them should present itself.

Committee Room,  
18th November, 1903.



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